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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " "

ON the first Sunday of this month occurs the festival of "The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called The Purification of Saint Mary the Virgin." This festival is placed forty days' distance from Christmas, as that was the interval directed by the law between the day of birth and the day when the mother presented herself for re-admission to the congregation, and her infant son for an offering to the Lord, (Lev. xii: 4. Exod. xxii: 29. Num. viii: 17). It was on this occasion that S. Simeon gave to the Church the *Nunc dimittis*, one of the canticles in the Prayer Book appointed to be sung at the Evening Service. In this beautiful hymn of peace S. Simeon proclaimed the glorious and universal Epiphany of the Holy Child, when he prophesied of Him as "A Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of God's people, Israel." It was then, also, that the Virgin Mother first learned that sorrow as well as joy was to be her portion in the wonderful mission assigned to her: "Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also." Yes, joy and sorrow must be the common lot of all. And sweetest joy can be gotten from the deepest sorrow, if we would only see in it all God's face and God's love.

EPIPHANY is now ended. The light which shown about the birthday of our Lord, now in the Septuagesima season, gradually begins to fade away into the shadows of the approaching Lent. Septuagesima occurs on the third Sunday in this month. The name implies that it is Seventy days to (the last day of) the feast of the Resurrection; the next Sunday it will be, in round numbers, Sixty days; then Fifty days, (Quinquagesima Sunday) then Quadregesima or the Sunday next before Lent, or about Forty days to the Grand Feast of Easter. "Thus, we have turned our back," says Bishop Coxe, "upon dear old Christmas, and the group of holidays that hand in hand seemed fairly to dance around it; and setting our faces towards the more sober, but still more glorious, light of Easter, we begin to number the days of preparation, which, if duly observed will fit us to keep the Paschal as the Apostle commands, "not with the old leaven * * * but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

BEFORE the next issue of *The Chimes* appears the Confirmation Classes will have been formed, and the Instruction on Confirmation will be well

under way. It is most important that every person in the congregation who has not yet been Confirmed should give his or her name to the Rector *at once*. Do not wait for the clergy to seek you out. The invitation is extended to all, "whosoever will, let him come." There will be no urging on the part of the clergy for anyone to be Confirmed. The invitation is presented cordially, sincerely, prayerfully; the occasion is here to be improved; the clergy are willing and most anxious to do all they can to counsel, help and lead. More they cannot do. The step must be taken by each individual, "of his own free will and accord," not because he is "good enough," or "knows enough," but because he wants to become better and know more about Christ and His Church. It is most important that each individual soul should weigh the matter of Confirmation considerably, conscientiously, prayerfully. What hinders? Another opportunity may never come. Why not do it now? Any who are wavering in their decision, who are troubled with fears or doubts, who have heavy burdens that they are bearing in their hearts, who are tormented with some sin from which they cannot become free, the Prayer Book in the Communion Office admonishes such to "come to your rector or to some other minister of God's Word, and open your grief, that you may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of your conscience and the removing of all scruples and doubtfulness." The clergy may be seen in the Church after any service or by appointment.

Confirmation

CONFIRMATION is the laying on of the Bishop's hands upon those who have been baptized, in order that they may

be strengthened by the Gift of the Holy Spirit. Thus, it is sometimes named, as in the Prayer Book, "the Laying on of Hands." Confirmation is the perfection and strength of Baptism and Baptismal grace. It is the belief of the Church that in Confirmation the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, named in Isa. xi : 2, 3, are in their fullness bestowed upon the soul which rightly approaches it.

The Seven Gifts of the holy Ghost are :

1. Wisdom, to aid us in our search after God.
2. Understanding, to lead us to a knowledge of the truth.
3. Counsel, to help us to discern the right path.
4. Ghostly Strength, to confirm us in doing right.
5. Knowledge, to teach us the will of God.
6. True Godliness, to help us lead good lives.
7. Holy Fear, to aid us in loving and obeying God as our Father.

The Gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel and Knowledge, enlighten the reason and enable us to apprehend and confess the Faith; the Gifts of Ghostly Strength, True Godliness, and Holy Fear, strengthen the will, and enable us to overcome the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Thus, by the Gift of God, bestowed through the Laying on of Hands, our whole moral nature is rendered capable of advance towards perfection, and we are enabled to bring forth the Fruits of the Spirit.

In the New Testament Confirmation is closely associated with that of Holy Baptism.

In Acts viii : 12, etc., we read a description of the first occasion on which the Church of Christ was extended beyond the gates of Jerusalem, and thus have an excellent example of how beginners in the Christian religion were then dealt with. S. Philip, a deacon, taught and baptized the Samaritans, but

the Apostles must confirm. Two of these chief ministers, at a most busy time in the Church's history, came a journey of forty or fifty miles *to lay their hands upon the baptized*, that they might receive the Holy Ghost. "Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost."

In naming the six rudiments of the doctrine of Christ, the writer of the

Epistle to the Hebrews speaks of "the doctrine of Baptisms, and of laying on of hands;" (Acts vi: 1, 2) where the Sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation are again coupled together. We have probably a reference to a like association in Acts ii: 38, and in S. Tit. iii: 5. Thus, Confirmation is believed to be the completion of Baptism.—*Selected.*

Parish Notes

NOTICE

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." *Title II: Canon 12.*

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 a.m.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 a.m.
Holy Days, 9.30 a.m.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 a.m.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL and Bible Classes, 9.30 a.m.

Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 p.m.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.

BAPTISM, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

In the next issue of *The Chimes* will be published a full list of the daily Lenten

Services, together with the subjects of Lenten addresses, names of special preachers, etc. It is not too soon to be preparing for the Lenten Fast, making arrangements that nothing shall interfere with a regular church attendance and a strict observance of the Penitential Season.

Septuagesima Sunday, which sounds the warning to prepare for the coming Lent, occurs on the sixteenth of this

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STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE.

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 p.m.

Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th

Tuesday 8.00 p.m.

Christ Church Club, 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 8.00 p.m.

Church Aid Society. Thursday, 8.00 p.m.

Choir Guild 1st Friday, 2.00 p.m.

Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 p.m.

Daughters of the King, 2d & 4th Monday, 8.00 p.m.

Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 p.m.

Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew, Friday, 7.30 p.m.

Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club)

. 2nd Thursday, 8.00 p.m.

Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 p.m.

Teachers' Meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 p.m.

Teachers' Class Friday, 8.15 p.m.

Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's

Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.

month. Ash Wednesday occurs on the fourth of March.

The Rt. Rev. O. W. Whitaker, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, will visit this Parish (D. V.) on the Fourth Sunday morning in Lent to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. Confirmation Classes are now forming, and all persons who have not been Confirmed are urged to give their names to either of the clergy at once. Instructions on Confirmation are being given in the Parish House every Friday evening at eight o'clock. All are invited to attend these Classes whether they intend to be Confirmed or not. An invitation is also extended to Confirmed members of the Church to attend these Instructions. Persons who wish to confer with the clergy on the subject of Confirmation can do so after any service or by making an appointment with them.

Lenten Mite Boxes will be distributed to the members of the Sunday School on the first Sunday of next month. In these boxes the scholars are expected to deposit their daily Lenten offerings for Missions. The contents of these boxes will be received at the Sunday School Church Service on Easter Day.

It has been suggested that Mite Boxes, to receive daily Lenten offerings, should also be distributed to all members of the congregation.

This might be a good plan to adopt to encourage conscientious daily Lenten sacrifices on the part of all in the congregation.

During the past month the walls of the chancel have been repainted and beautifully decorated. They are sur-

rounded with a deep frieze, the cross, the olive branch and the crown forming the design. The surface of the walls is gold and all harmonizes most beautifully with the rich coloring in the chancel windows. The painting was done by J. L. Shollin. The designs were drawn and the work executed under the personal supervision of Mr. George T. Pearson, architect.

The chancel will soon be lighted by electric lights. The lights are being installed by Mr. O. N. Middleton in memory of his mother.

Each Sunday the flowers on the altar are memorials given by members of the congregation on the anniversaries of the death of their friends. Persons who wish to reserve a Sunday to remember their dear departed, by placing flowers on the altar, are invited to give their names to the rector. No memorial may exceed two dollars for each Sunday. This rule is made that all may have it within their means to observe a Sunday as a memorial to their friends.

The plan inaugurated by the Vestry to increase the weekly envelope contributions has met with most encouraging success. It only awaits the co-operation of others in the congregation, who have not as yet subscribed through the envelopes, to make the plan a complete success. Several envelope subscribers have increased their subscriptions and others, who have not hitherto subscribed through the envelopes, have adopted this plan. It is hoped that every member in the congregation, children in the family as well as adults, will subscribe a weekly offering to be given through the envelope system.

A Song and Dramatic Recital by Mrs. Cora Robertson, the English Entertainer, Vocalist, Pianist, and Elocutionist of London, England, will be given in the Parish House, under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild of Christ Church, Wednesday, February 19th. The programme will be an entirely new one and promises to be of even greater interest than the previous one of last June. All who heard Mrs. Robertson last June expressed themselves as being thoroughly delighted with the entertainment. The committee in charge feel assured that all will be glad of the opportunity of hearing her again and those who have not heard her will find the evening truly enjoyable and well spent. After the entertainment, a short social will be held when light refreshments will be served. The proceeds are for the Carpet Fund. Tickets, including refreshments, will be fifty cents. The committee in charge ask the hearty co-operation of all.

The following ladies will act as patronesses:

Mrs. Charles H. Arndt	Mrs. Henry M. Jacoby
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Committee in charge consists of Mrs. Warren H. Galbraith, (chair-woman) Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Mrs. Frank L. Donlevy, Miss Helen D. Wells,

Miss Amy S. Roberts, Miss Katharine Vandervort, Miss Bessie Chase, Miss Frances Pugh.

Women's Missionary Society

The monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held at eight o'clock on Tuesday evening, February 4th, in the Parish House. Deaconess Drant, of San Francisco, will tell of her work among the Chinese of that city. Miss Drant is widely known for the wonderful work which she has done in San Francisco, especially since the earthquake, and it will be a great privilege to hear her. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance on the part of all the women of the Parish. All women are cordially invited to be present, Tuesday evening, February 4th.

Honor List

The Honor List of the Sunday School for the year 1907 is as follows:—

Present *every* Sunday—Mabel Laughlin, Janette Laughlin, Walter Roberts, Mary Abrams, William Young, Nathan Abrams, Helen Robinson, Emma Mogridge, Elma D. Strein, Mabel Robinson, Clarissa Feist, Arthur Bevers, Catherine Bohr, Violet Anderson, C. L. Hayhurst and Truman H. Hayhurst.

Absent only *one* Sunday—Mary Bohr, Elizabeth Stewart, Edna Murray, Charlotte Westling and Catherine Westling.

Absent only *two* Sundays—Helen Roberts, Walter Brown, Walter Abrams, and O. N. Middleton.

Girls' Friendly Service

A Special Service under the auspices of the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church will be held on Sunday evening, February 16th, at quarter to eight o'clock. After the service several girls will be admitted into the order and receive their badges.

Parish Guild

Brotherhood of St. Andrew



This Chapter meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month, at 8 o'clock, in the Parish

House. Corporate Communion the second Sunday morning at 7.30 o'clock. Visitors are welcome to all Chapter meetings.

On Thursday evening, February 6th, the Sectional Conference of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be held in St. Michael's Church at 8 o'clock. The subject will be "The Advantages of a House to House Canvass and How it is Conducted." Mr. Henry D'Olier, Jr., of St. Matthew's Church, Philadelphia, will make the address and lead the Conference.

This is a subject which should be of particular interest to the Germantown Parishes, owing to the large number of strangers who have moved into this section of the city during the past two or three years, many of whom have not made any church connection whatever. While these conferences are primarily for Brotherhood men, any other men of the Parish who desire to attend will be most cordially welcomed, and we feel sure they will be repaid for any effort they may have made in so doing. Let us have a good representation from Christ Church. —C. H. J.

Knights of King Arthur

The Boys' Club, spoken of in the last issue of *The Chimes*, has been organized and now numbers some ten members. The Club is known as the Knights of King Arthur. It has been in existence

in various Churches, Schools and Boy's Clubs for some ten or more years, and has branches in nearly all the States of the Union and in Canada and England. Based on the Arthurian legends it takes its spirits, aims and ways from the legends of King Arthur's Court, and endeavors to inculcate in its members the principles of the age of chivalry, courtesy, reverence, deference to womanhood, recognition of the *noblesse oblige* and Christian manliness. It has been highly commended by leading educators and workers with boys and it is hoped may prove a success in Christ Church Parish. Further information may be obtained from the Rev. Mr. Lutz.



An event of special interest to Club members, and one that is looked forward to from year to year, is the annual banquet. Since the Club's organization, eight years ago last October, the return of February has marked another gathering of Club and Auxiliary members around the "festive board." The banquet this season will be held at Trower's on Washington's Birthday, February 22nd, at 7.30 o'clock. That a good time is assured need not be mentioned, but a gentle reminder that every one can assist in many ways to make it better is not amiss. We ask each member, therefore, to bear the occasion well in mind and let the "Ninth Annual" go down in Club History as the "best ever," and may those attending derive such enthusiasm from it as will show forth in the work for the balance of the year, that the evening was not spent in vain.—C. H. J.

A Sight Singing Class to be Organized

On Wednesday evening, February 12th, at eight o'clock, in the Parish House, will be given a free demonstration of sight singing by both children and adults under the direction of Miss Anne McDonough, the well-known director of the Peoples' Sight Singing Class of Philadelphia. Not only is the singing of this class enjoyable, but the showing of what can be done in sight reading, after a comparatively small number of lessons, is unusual and remarkable. In the city proper, the success has been such that a number of the residents of Germantown have requested that Miss McDonough form classes here, classes for both children and adults, the former in the afternoons, the latter in the evenings, and this will be done if the necessary number are ready to join at once. The price of tuition is nominal, but ten cents per lesson; two dollars for the first course of twenty lessons, and that every one may understand the full scope of the work this demonstration will be given *free of charge*. It is hoped that as many as possible of the congregation will come to this demonstration on Wednesday evening, February 12th, bringing their friends and, if interested, will join the class. This will be an unusual opportunity both for children and adults to learn to read music at sight. No previous knowledge of music is necessary. Miss McDonough is highly recommended by Damrosch and other eminent musicians, and has as patrons many of the most prominent citizens of Philadelphia. The days of class meetings will be announced at the demonstration on Wednesday

evening. Both the children's and adults' class will be limited in number and persons who wish to join these classes are advised to apply at once. For further information enquiries may be made of Mr. John H. Shinn, 29 West Johnson St.

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[Special Telegram to Public Ledger]

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One of the victims is Theodore H. Fishel, of the
jewelry firm of Fishel, Nessler & Co., 79-85 Crosby
street, who lives in a four-story private house at 126
East 79th street. Recently he gathered up \$15,000
worth of jewelry in the house and took it to his safe
deposit vault. Mr. and Mrs. Fishel went out that
night, and the next day it was discovered that the
\$500 worth of jewelry that had been left in the house
had been stolen.

Max Sarnier, a clothing merchant, who lives in
an apartment at 61 East 86th street, took \$2000
worth of jewelry out of a safe deposit vault to have it
reset. On the night before the day he was to take it
back it was stolen.

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THE Lenten shadows deepen and
beneath the light of the Paschal
moon, shining full upon us, we enter into
the mystery of the Passion of our Blessed
Lord. With bowed heads we contem-
plate the Cross, rising out of the sacred
hill of Calvary, and on the Cross we be-
hold, crowned with thorns, the Immacu-
late Lamb of God, "who taketh away
the sins of the world." "Indeed," says
a devout writer, "one scarcely ventures
to speak or write upon so sacred a sub-
ject. Christ's members should strive
silently to realize it to themselves, fol-
lowing our Blessed Lord in thought
through the scenes of His suffering and
death." Let us then, during this Holy
Week which now draws near, the *Stille*
Woche, as the Germans appropriately call
it, leave behind us all thoughts of the
world, with its trifling vanities, its petty
schemes, and false ambitions, and con-
template in awe and reverence the clos-
ing scenes of our Lord's earthly life,
from the triumphal entrance on Palm
Sunday into the city that He loved,
until, wearied and exhausted, He slowly
wended His way along the *Via Sacra*,
passing through the gates of the city

which had rejected Him, up to the
Mount of Calvary.

On each afternoon during Holy
Week there will be a half hour of Medi-
tative Readings on the Sacred Event of
the Day. Will not every one in the
Parish dedicate a part of each day this
Holy Week, either in Christ Church, or
in some other Church in the city or else-
where, in meditation on the most awful,
solemn events which will be com-
memorated all over the Christian world
this Holy Week?

"Is it nothing to you, all ye who
pass by?"

THE Meditations in Holy Week
will end with the Three Hour
Service on Good Friday. It is believed
that no one who has ever taken part in a
devotional commemoration of the Cruci-
fixion would willingly pass Good Friday
without it. Where else would one
spend those three sacred hours save in
the House of God, and how else save in
meditation and prayer? Devout minds
have found in this service a deeper and a
fuller realization of the wonderful love of

God to us, and the awful sinfulness of man.

"From pain to pain, from woe to woe,
With loving heart and footsteps slow,
To Calvary with Christ we go.
See how His precious blood
At every station pours;
Was ever grief like His?
Was ever sin like ours?"

AS LENT draws to its close every good Churchman will begin to prepare for the Easter Communion. Easter is the "Queen of Christian Festivals," and throughout the ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have come to solemnize the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion. Our "Holy Communion" then becomes an "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies, a "holy thanksgiving." In the words of the prayer of consecration in the Communion service, "having in remembrance His blessed Passion and precious Death, His mighty Resurrection and glorious Ascension," we render unto God our most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same. If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord—in His suffering, in His passion, in His death—we may truly share, at the Holy Eucharist, on Easter Day, in the glories of the Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and ascend into the very presence of our Risen Lord and unite together with all God's saints in one holy communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son Christ our Lord," join "with angels and arch-angels and with all the company of Heaven" singing the beatific hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty."

This is the Communion of the

Saints. This is the beatific vision which St. John saw "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened to him;" and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's Saints who will draw near unto Him in the spirit on this Day of the Lord—the Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

The Easter Joy

The strife is o'er, the battle done,
The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun.

Alleluia!

With what triumphant joy the Christian heart sings these words! Out from darkness into light; from the sadness of Gethsemane and Calvary into the joys of Easter; away from thoughts of suffering to hymns of victory; from the dark tragedy of Good Friday to the empty tomb—such is the great transition today in Christian thought, voiced in anthems and flowers, in carols and hymns, and emphasized in the message of joy proclaimed from Christian pulpits. The news that encircles the globe today and visits each hamlet and village and city, and makes hearts beat the quicker for joy, is the announcement made to the disciples of old, and repeated through all the Christian centuries: "The Lord is risen, indeed!"

How strong a hold the fact of the Resurrection has gained upon the hearts of men! As the centuries multiply, the thoughts grow stronger and stronger. The whole world keeps Easter Day. Men and women are studying the fact from every point of view. Sentiment has laid hold of it. Reason has accepted it. The man of science finds the law of the Resurrection capable of demonstration. The spiritual truth beneath the fact itself far outweighs the seeming phys-

ical difficulties. And who can find words to tell of the comfort which this thought gives to those who grieve over the loss of loved ones, gone before us? Who can express in language the hope with which it cheers and inspires the heart of one called to suffering and pain!

There is power in this central fact of Christian history. There is an uplift-

ing in this keystone of the arch of Christian truth.

Let us rejoice, then, as we look this day into the sepulchre. Let us weave the truth and the fact into our lives. Let it give courage to the strugglers, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy in every heart because Christ has brought life and immortality to light in His Gospel.

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Daughters of the King, 2d & 4th	Monday, 8.00 p.m.
Girls' Friendly Society	Tuesday, 7.45 p.m.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,	
1st Friday, 7.30 p.m.	
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club)	
2nd Thursday, 8.00 p.m.	
Mothers' Meeting	Tuesday, 2.30 p.m.
Teachers' Meeting	1st Monday, 8.00 p.m.
Teachers' Class	Friday, 8.15 p.m.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's	
Auxiliary)	1st Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.
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MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Communion 7.30 a.m.
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Holy Communion 8.00 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY

Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora, Address 10.30 a.m.
Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven
Words From the Cross 12.00 m., 3.00 p.m.
Sacred Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary" . . . 8.00 p.m.

EASTER EVEN

Evening Prayer, Baptism 5.00 p.m.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 a.m.
Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 a.m.
Sunday School Festival Service 7.30 p.m.

In the foregoing schedule of services it will be noted that an innovation has been introduced this year. In place of the usual Evening Prayer, a course of MEDITATIVE READINGS will be given every afternoon in the Church at five o'clock. These Readings will consist of the Biblical account of the Sacred Events of each day of Holy Week. The Readings will be interspersed with appropriate hymns. No address or comments will be made by the Reader. Our Lord's life will thus be followed throughout the week, beginning at Bethany on Monday and ending with the eating of the Passover with His Disciples on Thursday. The course will be concluded by the Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross on Good Friday, from twelve o'clock noon until three.

These daily afternoon Readings will last a little over half an hour. Every person in the Parish, who possibly can attend these afternoon Meditations, should be present and follow our Lord each day of this Holy Week on His way from Olivet to Calvary.

The Rt. Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D., Bishop Co-Adjutor of the Diocese, will visit this Parish to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation and will preach on Saturday afternoon, April 3rd, at 4 o'clock. This service will take the place of the daily five o'clock service.

A few weeks ago new lights were placed on the center chandelier in the Church as an experiment to see what are the possibilities of properly lighting the Church. All will agree that a new system of lighting must be adopted very soon, as the present lighting is ex-

ceedingly poor. The experiment demonstrated beyond a doubt that, notwithstanding the very high ceiling in the Church, by a proper distribution of the lights the entire interior can be satisfactorily lighted. The experimental lights have been removed, but the matter of properly lighting the Church should be taken up immediately after Easter, and something should be done as soon as possible to install a new system.

The thanks of the congregation are due to the Volunteer Auxiliary Choir for their faithful and efficient services during Lent. The music at the daily services has never been more beautifully and devotionally rendered, and the Rector wishes to express his appreciation to all who have contributed to the success of the Lenten music.

The average daily attendance at the Lenten services has been larger than last year. The Sunday services, also, have been very largely attended, and on Sunday evenings the full congregations have been inspiring to the visiting clergy. It is especially gratifying to note the increased number who have come to the Holy Communion. It is to be hoped that this is an indication of a deepening of the spiritual life of the Parish.

The Vestry makes an urgent appeal to every member of this congregation for a generous offering on Easter Day. This past year has been one of great financial strain to many in the Parish and yet, with the great generosity which has always characterized the people of this Parish, the actual deficit this year is much less than in former years. Had this been a prosperous year, instead of

one of widespread financial depression, there can be little doubt but that the increased income would have equaled all necessary demands. As it is there is needed at this Easter \$1600.00 to clear up all outstanding indebtedness of the Parish and to enable the Vestry to begin the new fiscal year with a clean sheet. It is hoped that every one in the Parish will make an extraordinary effort to give a liberal offering on Easter, that this Parish, which has so large a field of usefulness before it, may do its work for God and humanity, unimpeded by any inherited indebtedness. Let all give liberally as God has blessed each one. If any should be absent on Easter they are asked to send their offering to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 W. Upsal Street, Germantown.

The ladies have about finished making the new vestments for the Choir. The style of the vestments for the women has been changed. The new vestments are very much more suitable for women than those which have been discarded. They are similar to those worn in many of the English Parochial Schools. The men's vestments will, of course, remain unchanged.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the Blessed Dead. The Altar Guild requests that all who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contribution either to the Rector or to Mrs. William H. Avery, 54 W. Tulpehocken Street, as soon as possible. The ladies of the Guild will personally attend to the selection of the flowers and

will see that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. By sending contributions in money the Guild will be enabled to make a more choice and harmonious selection.

Those who prefer to contribute blooming plants or flowers are requested to send them to the Parish House early on Saturday morning so that these may be arranged in the Chancel before the Saturday afternoon service.

All are invited to send contributions to the Easter memorial, either in money or flowers, and any contribution, however small, will be cordially welcomed.

All persons having Mite boxes for United Offering of Woman's Auxiliary, Christ Church, will kindly return contents of same to the Treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Thacher, 74 W. Johnson Street, on or before April 28th.

The United Offering Annual Presentation Service will be held Friday morning, April 30th, at 10.30 o'clock, at St. Stephen's Church, Tenth Street, above Chestnut, Philadelphia. All are cordially invited to attend.

Good Friday Cantata

On Good Friday evening, April 9th, an augmented choir of forty-five voices will render Maunder's Sacred Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary," which, to quote the author's preface, "recalls simply and reverently the scenes which mark the last few days of the Saviour's life on earth, and some of the reflections thereon." The action includes our Lord's entry into Jerusalem to the tragedy and triumph of Calvary. The program will close with Gounod's Motett, "Gallia," a Biblical elegy.

In order that these two works may

be given a worthy rendition the Choir-master has enlisted the aid of several members of Christ Church, and some eminent talent from the city choirs. In addition to the organ the music will be accompanied by the harp and tympani drum. The Cantata will begin promptly at eight o'clock.

Services on Easter Day

On Easter Day there will be two early celebrations of the Holy Communion, at 6.30 and 7.30, and Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion at 11.00 o'clock.

In the evening the Sunday School Easter Carol Service will be held in the Church. The School will march into the Church from the Parish House and there will be, as usual, a special Easter "feature" during the service, illustrating the Easter thought. The scholars who are to be promoted from the Primary and the Intermediate Departments will be presented with diplomas. The address at the evening service will be given by Colonel Sheldon Potter, Superintendent of the School.

The music on Easter Day has been selected with a view of making it, musically speaking, an evenly balanced and equally proportioned service. The Choir has bestowed much care on the preparation of all the parts. The program will be as follows:

Processional, Hymn 112—"Jesus Christ is Risen Today."

"Christ Our Passover" . . . B. Tours

"Te Deum and Jubilate" in B Flat Stanford

Introit, Hymn 121—"The Strife is O'er"

Office, Hymn 116—"Angels Roll the Rock Away"

Anthem—"Awake Thou That Sleepest" Stainer

Kyrie, Sanctus and Gloria in Excelsis from Garrett's Service in E.

Retrocessional, Hymn 122—"Jesus Lives."

Miss Helen P. Donlevy will assist on the harp at the Easter service, also giving a prelude with the organ, before morning and evening services.

Notice to Envelope Contributors

The new fiscal year of the Parish begins at Easter. It is very important that every one, who has hitherto contributed through the envelope system should continue this subscription and, if possible, to increase the amount as much as they are able. Every person in the congregation who has not as yet subscribed through the envelope system is urgently requested to do so. The Vestry are very anxious to extend the subscriptions through the envelope system to every one in the Parish, so that the assured revenue of the Church will equal the expenses. If the envelope subscriptions are increased by the amount of \$15.00 per week, which would amount to \$780 a year, this, together with the revenue derived from pew rent, would be sufficient to meet all the current expenses and the charitable assessments of the Parish. This can be done, if every one who worships in Christ Church will agree to give a small amount weekly, by signing the pledge card, to be found in the vestibules of the Church, and placing it on the plate or sending it to the Rector or Warden. A package of envelopes will then be sent to each subscriber. As the offering is placed in these envelopes absolute secrecy is obtained and conscientious, systematic giving is thus encouraged. By this method the Vestry can estimate

the probable yearly income and will be enabled to regulate the expenses of the Parish accordingly.

It is earnestly hoped that the new comers into the Parish will not fail to help bear the responsibilities of the Parish and will avail themselves of this systematic way of giving. The support of the work of this Parish and its philanthropies is dependent, not upon a few, but upon every worshipper in Christ Church, who should consider it not only a duty, but a privilege, to share in the furtherance of the Master's work.

Girls' Friendly Society



On the First Tuesday evening of each month the Girls' Friendly Society holds a combined meeting with the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary. The meeting for February proved a very interesting one, as Deaconess Sabine was present and gave us a talk upon Alaska and her work in that territory.

Miss Sally Johnson attended our meeting Tuesday evening, February 16th, and spoke to us of Brittany. She had with her many photos, post cards and curios from that country, which made her talk all the more interesting.

Despite the bad weather our social on February 23rd, was quite a success, and a large number of the girls were present.

Our Lenten sewing for the Mission

Box consists of children's garments, and the work is progressing rapidly.

O. M. M.

Easter Greetings

A Happy Easter, full of peace and joy! Out of the shadows of Good Friday the Easter light shines clear. May it indeed so shine in all our souls, bringing the best blessings of this holy season.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back from Easter morning into that darkness we perceive that it was the precursor of the dawn. What a difference it would make if we could always see as clearly the meaning of the failures and tragedies of life! God grant us, this Easter, some measure of that transforming vision.

Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain or of disappointment, or even of death itself, is but the herald of new light and joy. Let us say to Him in our lives and with our lips that we give Him the deep and abiding affection of our hearts.

The Church will be open; the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving will be offered. Let us all unite with one accord in that expression of our Easter joy.

To make any Christian act real it must be done under the impression that it may be the last time. Each heart knows how real would be a last prayer, a last communion, a last Sunday, a last hymn, a last hearing of the Scriptures, a

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last sermon, the message of Christ's ambassador, a last day of Christian work. It is its frequent return alone that destroys the deep significance of each such opportunity.

Yet we know not what a day may bring forth. Tomorrow's sun may rise upon our open grave. This fact gives to each opportunity the character of a last chance. So, in regard to this season of Lent, and its many blessings for our souls, neglected now, they may be gone forever. Not twice or thrice, but once, more the solemn season calls, and may its every opportunity be as precious to us as though it were the last—as real as though no more would follow.

O Lord, who through ages past hast trained thy Church, as at this season, in finding out and striving against the secret or the open sins which may be displeasing in Thy sight; by the help of the Holy Spirit lay open to me my heart and life, that I may in humble penitence lay them at the foot of the Cross of Christ for cleansing through His most precious blood. Amen.

"Cannot I live as good a life outside the Church as in it?" No. The

influences that surround a person are great. We need to breathe the atmosphere of the Church—to associate with others in prayer and work—to seek with them one common result.

"A good many Christians are no better than I am. This may be true. There are also those who are better than you. Their religious life makes them better. They invite you to use with them 'the means of grace' which Christ appointed to make you better than you are. This is your great concern.

A man's creed must be positive. Would any sensible man die for a negative religion? Would he live for it? Could it teach him the duties of prayer or self-sacrifice? Would it nerve him to action, effort, venture—the practical side of religion?

It was the positive character of the Gospel that carried it round the world. The fact that its truths were for everybody, everywhere, through all time, carried conviction to every human heart that heard the Message, and the obedience of the life that learned its facts.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. }

THE RECTOR calls the attention
of all the attendants at Christ
Church to the list of services to be
held during Holy Week. He can-
not believe that any member of Christ
Church, unless providentially hindered,
will allow these holy days, so full of
the suffering and sacrifice and love of
the Son of God for man, to pass by
unheeded or unimproved.

"Is it nothing to you, all ye that
pass by?"

Each day during this Holy Week
every man, woman and child—all for
whom Christ came to die and to save—
should come apart to be alone a little
while with God before the Cross of
Christ. The sufferings, the prayers,
the sacrifice, the death of the Son of
God are appealing to the hearts of men.
It is the appeal of God to the creatures
He has made, the appeal of the Son of
Man to His brethren, the appeal of Di-
vine love to our love. And it is an
appeal to our whole nature as well as
to all mankind. "I, if I be lifted up,
will draw all men unto Myself."

It comes to us first, that appeal of
the Cross, as the appeal of love. "Saw
we ever sorrow like unto my sorrow."
"Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his

friends." It is an appeal to our feel-
ings, our emotions, our affections—to
all that in Bible language is called the
heart. Excited feelings, roused sym-
pathy, admiration of a noble or heroic
act, may be transient as a morning
cloud, if there be no appeal to the con-
science and the will; if they do not
make us go forth stronger to live our
life in the spirit of the Crucified, to bat-
tle for the right; to kill what is evil and
corrupt around us and within. And
then—since man is not only a creature
that feels and acts, but is, just because
he is a man, a reasoning being, and
cannot but ask why?—the appeal must
go further. It must justify itself to
the reason no less than to the heart
and will. It is a "reasonable service,"
that God would have from those whom
He has made reasoning beings.

But the appeal of Christ is more
than an appeal; it is a claim. It is this
which constitutes the uniqueness of the
appeal. "Ye are not your own; ye
are bought with a price." And as the
appeal is an appeal to the whole man,
so the claim is a claim to the surren-
der of the whole man—his affection,
his will, his reason—to One who is
Perfect Man, as well as very God. As
Love, as Goodness and as Truth He

claims our hearts, our will, our reason, that our whole nature, self-surrendered to Him, may be offered up, as once in promise and in type He offered it upon the Cross, a sacrifice well-pleasing unto God, the offering of love to Perfect Love.

Easter Communion

THE Greatest Festival of the Church Year is Easter Day. Ever since the first Easter Day, when "very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, at the rising of the sun," the faithful, in all countries throughout the world, have gathered in their Churches and partaken of the Holy Communion. The Rector urges every one in this parish to begin now to make preparation for the Easter Communion. The Lenten season is the time for severe discipline; it is the time to look thoroughly into the heart and root out every evil thought and every evil desire; that we, "being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in His death, may crucify the old man and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as we are made partakers of the death of Christ, we may, also, be partakers of His resurrection; so that, finally, with the residue of His Holy Church, we may be inheritors of His Everlasting Kingdom; through Christ, our Lord."

They who thus make Lent a season of preparation, and come, on Easter morning, "earnestly repenting of their sins, and in love and charity with their neighbors, and intending to live a new life, following the Commandments of God, and walking henceforth in His holy ways," experience a comfort, and thought, and peace of mind, which passeth all understanding. They who spend a Lent close to Jesus, and fol-

low Him in His sufferings and in His sacrifices, and on Easter morn, in the Holy Eucharist, rise with Him into a higher and a holier life—they, indeed, are with Jesus in spirit and in truth, and in this life experience something of the perfect joy and bliss which awaits God's Saints in everlasting glory. Let each member of this Parish begin now to prepare for that blessed privilege, and on Easter Day come to God's House and kneel before His Altar and receive the blessed Sacrament of the body and blood of Christ.

Celebrations of the Holy Communion, on Easter Day, will be at 6.30 and 7.30 A. M., and at 11.00 o'clock.

Important Letter from the Vestry.

THE following important letter has been issued by the vestry. The Rector gives it place in the Rector's Notes, and asks that it be read by every parishioner. We are sure that it will meet with a cordial and generous response on the part of the people in Christ Church, and all will fully agree with the Vestry that our parish must provide for the changed conditions in this neighborhood, by an enlargement and adaptation of our Parish House to meet the present urgent need.

Germantown, Feb. 10, 1910.

To the Parishioners of Christ

Church, Germantown:

In accordance with annual custom we now address you on the finances of our parish and this year we do so with much more pleasure than formerly and know this pleasure will be shared by yourselves when we venture our explanation.

For many years we have been obliged to come before you in Lent with an

earnest appeal that you would make up an existing deficit from the previous year. Last Lent the shortage was over \$1700.00, and your Easter offertory, which represented much self-denial and sacrifice, amounted to \$1300.

Although the deficit of the preceding year was not entirely met by the collection of Easter, 1909, your generosity during the past year now enables us to say that the deficit this year will probably be less than half of what it was the year before.

It is, therefore, clear that if your Easter offering is equal to that of 1909, there will be quite a balance to be applied to other objects, but we feel quite confident that your gifts will be even larger when you know what we now wish to tell you, and that is this:

Every active member of our Parish realizes the pressing need that exists of a Parish House adapted to modern requirements. It is now most difficult to retain our hold on the young people of the Parish, both boys and girls, because we lack modern facilities.

We are now badly in need of a large room for boys, where they can indulge in active games such as boys love. We also need a church parlor, a kitchen, committee rooms and modern conveniences. It is not yet settled whether this can be done by an adaptation of the present building, or if an additional building will be needed, although the latter seems more probable. Plans are now being considered by the Vestry which involve an outlay of \$10,000, and as this is absolutely essential for the life and growth of our Parish, we feel sure your response will be immediate and generous.

We know you will take especial delight in the thought that your gifts will now be largely used in the betterment of our Parish rather than in pay-

ing old debts, and the thought of the vestry is that all the money raised this Lent in excess of our current need shall be applied to our new Parish House.

And so, relying upon your usual liberality, we now come to you, asking that a special effort will be made this Lent so we may attain this much desired end. It may be that some can give more if their payments were scattered over the year and if so, the Vestry would welcome pledges of certain amounts to be given at future dates. Some will be able to give more than others, but we feel sure that if every one will do his or her share, Christ Church will be able to provide the necessary facilities for carrying on of a larger work among the rapidly increasing population in this vicinity.

A magnificent opportunity now awaits us to do a great work for Christ and His Church. It is God's work, not ours, but ours to do our part, as co-workers with Him in the spread of the Kingdom of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. We trust that God will put it into the hearts of the people of Christ Church to respond liberally for this work which He has given us to do. We remain,

Faithfully yours.

Charles W. Schwartz,
James H. Ritter,
Sheldon Potter,
William R. Pugh,
William N. Johnson,
Francis B. Falkner,
James M. Woodroffe,
Frank L. Donlevy,
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Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
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Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
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Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Reading and Meditation on the
Sacred Event of the Day 4.45 P. M.
Service and Sermon 8.00 P. M.

MAUNDY THURSDAY.

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Reading and Meditation on the
Sacred Event of the Day 4.45 P. M.
Holy Communion 8.00 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Morning Prayer, Pro Anaphora,
Address 10.30 A. M.
Three-hour Meditation on the
Seven Words from the Cross,
12.00 M.—3.00 P. M.
Sacred Cantata, Stainer's "Crucifixion" 8.00 P. M.

EASTER EVEN.

Evening Prayer, Baptism 4.45 P. M.
EASTER DAY.

Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Sunday-school Festival Service ... 7.30 P. M.

It will be noted from the above schedule of services for Holy Week

that the plan that was adopted last year and was so helpful to all, will be repeated this year, viz., the substitution for Daily Evening Prayer a course of Meditative Readings on the sacred events of each day of Holy Week, as they are recorded in the Bible. The Readings will be interspersed with appropriate hymns. No address or comment will be made by the reader. Our Lord's life will thus be followed each day throughout the week, beginning at Bethany on Monday, and ending with the eating of the Passover with the disciples on Thursday. The course will be concluded with the Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross on Good Friday, from twelve o'clock until three. Persons who attended these Meditative Readings last Lent will desire to attend again this year; and all who wish to get into the full meaning and spirit of Holy Week will attend these daily Readings, and be deeply impressed by the simplicity and sublimity of these divine narratives.

These Meditative Readings will be more helpful if all who attend will be provided with the little book which the Reader will follow, and are advised to purchase a copy. A limited supply of these books has been ordered from the publishers, and may be purchased while they last from the sexton, at fifteen cents a copy.

The Three-Hour Meditation on the "Seven Words from the Cross" will be conducted on Good Friday by the Rev. H. Page Dyer, of the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia. The attendance at this most impressive service has steadily increased each year. No doubt, this year there will be a larger attendance than before as the spiritual helpfulness of this service is more generally known. It is requested

that all who can do so will remain during the entire three hours. The large majority of those who attend do remain. Persons who must leave the church before the service is over are kindly requested to do so during the singing of a hymn. The order of service will be found on tables at the entrance of the Church.

Miss Thacher and Miss Dahl desire to express their appreciation of the hearty response to the appeal for contributions to, and patrons of, the cake and candy sale recently given by their classes in the parish house. In spite of the inclement weather the proceeds netted \$16.00, which amount was placed to the credit of the Parish House Improvement Fund.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the blessed dead. The Altar Guild requests that all who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contribution either to the Rector or to Mrs. William H. Avery, 54 West Tulpehocken street, as soon as possible. The women of the Guild will personally attend to the selection of the flowers and will see that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. By sending contributions in money the Guild will be enabled to make a more choice and harmonious selection.

Those who prefer to contribute blooming plants or flowers are requested to send them to the Parish House early on Saturday morning, so that these may be arranged in the chancel before the Saturday afternoon service.

All are invited to send contributions to the Easter memorial, either in money or flowers, and any contribution, however small, will be cordially welcomed.

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EDITORIAL

THE LETTER printed below and signed by the Rector's Warden is printed on this page in the hope that every member of the parish will read it carefully and thoughtfully. It may be taken as being representative of the opinion of the vestry of our church. The members of the vestry are individually and collectively in favor of materially adding to our parish house.

The New Parrish House

Day by day the prospects for a new parish house are brightening. Not long ago the question was frequently asked—"Why do we need a new house?" That is no longer asked. Everyone now recognizes and admits the need of such a building. To-day the only question is—"How soon can we have it?"

This in itself is a decided change for the better and is a long stride toward obtaining what we WANT. Not what we "wish," but what we "WANT"—in other words, what we NEED. With our people awakened to a realization of

the need, it is clear that they will respond with their usual generosity.

Perhaps once or twice in a lifetime the call comes to each to make some unusual sacrifice for the sake of the work of our Master and Lord. Some special offering of love is asked, one which will in some slight way manifest what we are willing to do for Him.

Such a call came to the older generation of our parish in 1878, when the October winds of that year completely destroyed our church building. Nobly our people responded to the call and, with one heart, gave and worked until they raised the large sum of \$40,000.00 or more.

Now, a similar, but much smaller call, comes to us. Ten thousand dollars is a large amount of money, but much less than was raised 37 years ago. Are we not the children of our fathers and if so, shall we not take up our task in turn?

Already several members of our congregation have expressed a willingness to give on a large and liberal scale, provided all will do the same, according to their REAL, not their fancied power. If all will rise to the occasion and give in the same spirit with like liberality there will be but little difficulty in securing the new parish house.

Shall we let this opportunity escape or shall we give largely and liberally in the same spirit that was shown by our fathers in the past, and like them see our sacrifice made into an enduring monument in a parish house, which will enable us to do effective work for Christ and His Church?

(Signed) JAMES H. RITTER.

SINCE our last issue a subscription has been received from Mr. L. E. Pfeiffer and a contribution from Mr. Frank L. Donlevy, both of which are thankfully acknowledged.

Parish Guild

Christ Church Club



The Christ Church Club wishes to thank its many friends who stood by it in the recent endeavor to raise money for the Parish House Improvement Fund. While all tickets have not yet been accounted for, the Committee has about \$40 net at the present time which, considering the time in which the entertainment was gotten up, is very good.

From the many favorable comments upon the presentation of the comedy, the Club also takes the liberty to credit the entertainment as a success in this way as well as financially.

In order to improve the Parish House along modern lines, it will be necessary for active co-operation on the part of all. The club is willing to do its share, and if the people of the parish will continue to support it as they have in the past the success of the project is assured, as far as our part is concerned.

C. H. J.

The Guild Choir

This choir, which is now in its second Lenten season, is composed of members of the church, the majority not being members of the regular choir. There are twenty-seven enrolled members of the guild choir at the present time.

Last Lent was the first time the choir was vested and occupied the chancel, and since then the choir has sung at the Friday afternoon services every week. On Ash Wednesday the guild choir sang at the morning service and has continued to sing at every afternoon service during Lent.

The rehearsals of the guild choir are held on the second Wednesday evening of each month at the homes of the different members and are conducted by Mr. Rile. The rehearsals have been discontinued during Lent. The last rehearsal was held at the home of Miss Woodroffe.

B. L. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew



This Chapter meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month, at eight o'clock, in the Parish

House. Corporate Communion the second Sunday morning at 7.30 o'clock. Visitors are welcome to all Chapter meetings.

On Tuesday evening, March 8th, the Chapter members began a systematic study of the Prayer Book under the leadership of the Rector. This is a matter in which many of our Churchmen are very negligent, and, that this lack of knowledge may be corrected, a cordial invitation is extended to all men in the parish to attend these studies. They will be held in the Parish House on the regular meeting nights, as noted above.

This class can be made both instructive and entertaining and it is hoped that many men, especially the younger men, will avail themselves of this opportunity, which is both a duty and a privilege.

C. H. J.

Choir Notes

Attention is called to the date upon which the regular Passion music is sung during Holy Week. In the last

issue of "The Chimes," it was announced the choir would sing Stainer's "Crucifixion," and Gounod's "Out of Darkness," on Wednesday evening of Holy Week, March 23rd. Owing to the transit conditions in Philadelphia, which caused various members of the choir to be absent frequently from the rehearsals necessary for the rendering of these works, it will be impossible to sing both cantatas announced. "Out of Darkness" will therefore be postponed until a later date, and the "Crucifixion" will be sung on Good Friday evening, March 25th. The music for Easter will include Te Deum in E-flat, Buck; Jubilate in B-flat, Buck (arr. from Shubert), Anthems, Christ our Passover, Tours; Hallelujah Chorus, Handel; Now is Christ Risen, West; Sanctus, Benedictus and Gloria in Excelsis, Gounod (St. Cecelia). Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Martin, in A.

Miss Helen Donlevy was to have assisted as harpist on Good Friday evening and Easter, but owing to illness, it is doubtful whether she will be present.

LeR. M. R.

Boys' Club

There is a jolly good time every Friday evening, in the parish house, at which time the Boys' Club of Christ Church holds its meetings. All boys, between the ages of fourteen and eighteen, are cordially invited to become members of the club.

N. G. A.

Subscribe through the Envelope

Pledge cards and envelopes for the new fiscal year will be found on the

tables at the entrance to the church. All former subscribers through the envelope system will find their envelopes with their names on them arranged alphabetically on the tables at the doors. Each person is requested to take his or her package of envelopes before Easter Day.

Every attendant at the services of Christ Church is urged to sign a pledge card with the amount to be given weekly and to place this card on the plate. A package of envelopes will then be sent to all who pledge.

"Hamlet on Free Pews"

The pledge card with the blanks filled out, with the following written on the back, was recently received:

"To pledge or not to pledge—that is the question;

Whether 'tis nobler in a man to take
The Gospel free and let another foot the bill,
Or sign a pledge and pay toward the Church
expenses!

To give, to pay—ay, there's the rub—to pay,
When on the free few plan a man may have
A sitting free, and take the Gospel too,
As though he paid, and none be aught the
wiser,

Save the Accounting Warden, who—
Most honorable man—can keep a secret!
'To err is human,' and human, too, to buy
At cheapest rate. I'll take the Gospel so!
For others do the same—a common trick!
I'm wise. I'll wait, not work; I'll pray, not
pay,

And let the other fellows foot the bills—
And so with me the Gospel's free!—you
see?"

The Power of Prayer

"Prayer is the work of the whole nature. It is not words. 'Being in an agony, He prayed, and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. It is this sort of prayer that saves a world. It is omnipotent. Every so-called 'natural law' is always suspended by any personal will strong enough to do it. I am only stating my calm, philosophical, and I believe

equally the orthodox Catholic, convictions, when I say a perfect personal will can suspend the law of mortality. We have glimpses of it. Elisha Kane refused to die of scurvy on the polar expedition, got out of bed and took the quarter-deck and lived. The only perfect Man, our Lord, died because He chose to, rose because He chose to. Death and Life were His servants. Now prayer is simply the coincidence of a human will with God's will. Perfectly in accord with that Will the human will shares its omnipotence. 'I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me.' We call submission to misfortune 'accepting God's will.' It is childish, sometimes impious. God's will is active. I am speaking of God's will as it makes and guides the Universe—a will to be done not suffered merely. 'Thy will be done.' For so-called 'natural law' I have small reverence. It is merely bricks and mortar for me and other men to work with. As far as we know it we use it. We are knowing and using more of it every day. We finally will manage it as we please—in the Regeneration.'"
—From private letter of the late Bishop Thompson.

A Generous Offer

AS THE "Chimes" goes to press the Rector has received the following generous offer from one of the most faithful attendants at Christ Church, and one who realizes the great need of larger parish house facilities to meet the demands of our increasing work. The letter reads as follows:
"My Dear Mr. Arndt:—

"During your appeal last Sunday for \$10,000.00 for the new parish building, a thought occurred to me, which I have since decided to present to you. It will give me much pleasure to give one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) one-tenth of the sum you ask for, provided the remaining \$9000.00 is raised by Easter Monday. If the full amount is not 'in hand' on that day, March 28th, my offer is withdrawn. I trust that my suggestion may be the means of giving an impetus to the raising of

the total amount and that, for your sake more than any other reason, your desire for a new parish building may be realized."

This generous offer will be received with gratitude by all the members of Christ Church. It is an encouraging and substantial beginning of the realization of our hopes and now it remains for every one in this parish to do his or her part. This generous offer must be met and the Rector feels sure that the people of Christ Church, who are always most liberal and self-sacrificing in their Easter offering, will this year make an unusual effort to realize the full \$10,000.00 needed at this time. In the closing words of the vestry's letter, "A magnificent opportunity now awaits us to do a great work for Christ and His Church. It is God's work, not ours, but ours to do our part, as co-workers together with Him in the spread of the Kingdom of our Lord and Master Jesus Christ. We trust that God will put into the hearts of the people of Christ Church to respond liberally for His work which He has given us to do."

At the last Men's Club dinner, held in the parish house, it was suggested that a stereopticon be purchased for the parish for the purpose of giving illustrated lectures on Missions and other interesting subjects. Almost enough money has been subscribed to purchase the lantern and it is hoped that other subscriptions will be forthcoming at once that the lantern may be purchased as soon as possible. Subscriptions have been received from the following persons: C. H. Loutrell, Dr. T. H. Carmichael, Charles Heyer, J. I. Morrison, John Henderson, James Henderson, Samuel Pastorius, John

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS: 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

THE Rector wishes to congratulate the Editors of "Christ Church Chimes" on the successful conclusion of the eighth volume of this publication. There are few Parish papers that have been published continuously and uninterruptedly for eight consecutive years. This would not have been possible had it not been for the support given by the advertisers and the subscribers, and by a generous friend. The Rector attributes a large share of credit to "The Chimes" for the unanimity of spirit and the hearty co-operation in the work of the Church, which prevails throughout the Parish. As an advertising medium "The Chimes" offers to the tradespeople in this vicinity a valuable agency. This month's edition of "The Chimes" is twelve hundred copies, which will find their way into almost that many homes in this vicinity. With so large a circulation the "Christ Church Chimes" must be of value both to our advertisers and to the cause of Christ and His Church, which it seeks to extend in this community. The Rector trusts that the members of this Parish will continue their generous support which they have hitherto given to "The Chimes" and hopes that every member will co-operate with the editors to the extent of sending to the business manager a year's subscription.

OCTOBER is the time for all the Societies in the Parish to begin to lay out their winter's work. The summer is ended and the inactivity, enforced by the warm weather, ought now to be laid aside and the duties of Parish life should be resumed with renewed vigor and greater earnestness. Good and faithful work was done last year by most of the societies. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon certain societies in the Parish for their zeal and earnestness. The liberality, faithfulness and consecration of many workers in the Parish have been marked during the past year. Some, however, have not done as well as they might, and in all there is room for improvement. It is hoped that this winter's work will be begun and continued with renewed zeal and consecration. The various societies in the Parish afford opportunity for every one in this community to engage in some Christian work. Newcomers into the Parish, and others not enlisted in active work, are cordially invited to unite with some society of the Parish or to identify themselves with some form of Church work. The Rector cordially invites all who desire to co-operate in the work of the Master, to send or give their names to him and he will be pleased to assign them something to do "in His name and for His sake."

THE Rector's office hours are published at the head of page one. Whilst he is ready and anxious to see any person, within or without the Parish, who may be in need of his services at any time, yet he is confident that the parishioners will realize the reasonableness and necessity for him to systematize his work as far as possible. To that end the Rector asks that all who desire to see him will please make it convenient, as far as possible, to call within the appointed hours. If these hours are not convenient he will be pleased to make a special appointment with any one who may desire to see him. In cases of sickness, death or other urgent need the Rector is always ready to respond promptly at any time.

Relationship Between Pastor and People

The following is written by a layman and has in it some excellent suggestions:

"The relationship between pastor and people is a reciprocal one. If the minister has a duty to his congregation, not less does the latter owe one in return.

"If the pulpit has its responsibilities, there is, on the part of the pew, an obligation not less distinct, though often not clearly recognized. Doubtless a major portion of every congregation is just, appreciative, and loyal to the Church and to the pastor, both in his official capacity and personally, but there are none of us who may not occasionally ask our own hearts: 'Do we do our whole duty?' Certainly there are in every hundred a larger or smaller percentage of those who, for no other cause than thoughtlessness,

and with no other worse motive than carelessness, evince a very lively appreciation of the clerical 'mote,' coupled with an extremely minute perception of the lay 'beam.'

"Laying aside all questions of charity in judgment, let us bear in mind considerations of simple justice in the verdict that is so often hastily rendered concerning the 'doings' or 'not-doings' of these men who are, so to speak, 'set upon a hill,' and frequently judged by a critic whose point of view is from one very restricted side of the hill's base. One must sometimes wonder, with inward smiles, how the self-constituted critic would look were the positions reversed and the clergy to evince as minute and censorious interest in his conduct of professional and personal affairs.

"Might it not be as well to suppose that our 'minister,' of whatever rank, knows quite as well as we how to conduct his charge? That he is quite as anxious for the success of his 'business' (which is, too, the Lord's business) as we could be, and that he can see it from more sides than we? There is probably no one thing that wounds in so tender a spot as injustice from those who ought to know better, or, at any rate, should be chary in speaking adversely; yet I doubt if there be, from highest to lowest, a member of our clergy (of our world in general, for that matter) who have not, at some time suffered.

"There be shallow minds that consider fault-finding ('criticism,' they term it) an evidence of superiority on their part; it more often betokens sour temper and mental laziness, or lack of ability to weigh.

"As to those instances where corrupt life, inattention to duty, or absolute inability to preach or to attend to

pastoral duties, should debar, there is nothing to be said here. Such cases are few. The average ability among the clergy is, to say the least, quite as high as the average in the pew, and there are many who tower. For the very reason that his office brings him so prominently forward, it is true that the minister is oft a subject of criticism. Because people, almost unconsciously, associate perfection with that office, is every imperfection so glaringly apparent to the onlooker who does not stop to think.

"There be those in this world who deem every possible virtue included (on the minister's side) as an equivalent for salary to be paid to him. Pray, pardon here a short story. Long years ago I heard a dear old gentleman say to a young lady, just beginning house-keeping (and somewhat appalled by the 'servant troubles' predicted by her seniors): 'My child, don't expect absolute perfection in your servant; you can't buy the cardinal virtues for dollars and cents.' Said the young housekeeper: 'I'll try to remember. I am not "absolute perfection" myself.'

"If we have any respect or reverence for those in official position, any love for the pastor personally, and loyalty—what then? Rest assured that a great deal, a very great deal, depends upon us; and upon the use we make of our opportunities, no less than the character of what is offered us, here and hereafter. In years of such attendance my experience as a listener has ranged from some of the great preachers of the earth to some who would be termed very poor ones. No one more heartily enjoys and values fine oratory, eloquence, deep learning; yet it may be truthfully said that no sermon ever spoken in my hearing has failed to carry some measure worth having; some thought, if but by suggestion, to remember or dilate upon.

Your very attitude of receptivity is a value to you. If the preacher cannot tell you something you never knew, he may recall, either by analogy or contrast, something you did know. If he gives you no new thought of value, he can revive an old one; and just bear in mind that if one office of the Holy Ghost is to 'teach,' another 'is to bring all things to your remembrance.'

"Do we stand ready to receive from our clergy, or do we wait to be hammered upon like an obdurate metal?

"Do we realize (the Holy Apostle did) what it is to have 'the care of the Church' pressing on heart and shoulders?

"Do we give them the opportunity to help us find 'the straight and narrow way' through our personal difficulties, by going direct to them for help?

"Do we complain 'we scarcely know them personally because they visit us so seldom,' when we might occasionally visit them?

"Do we remember how many griefs their sympathetic hearts help to bear for their flocks, when we see them look depressed or worn?

"Do we remember the mere writing of a sermon is a small matter compared with the preparation for it? That in a few pages may be condensed days of study of various authors or authorities, and oft amid manifold interruptions?

"Oh, believe me, nothing worth having can be had one-sided; no service, no loyalty, no love! Think of it; try it. Even to the benediction, which may be reciprocal; for, when the minister, be he of high or low degree, pronounces, 'And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always,' your own heart may well, in gratitude and reverence and tenderness, interpolate, 'And with you. Amen.'

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

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1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion } Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

On Sundays the flowers that are on the altar are placed there by friends in memory of some dear one who is at rest in Paradise. The Sunday that is nearest to an anniversary of a death, a wedding, or a birthday of some departed friend may be reserved by members in the congregation as a memorial to them. The flowers are afterward sent to the sick ones in the Parish or to the hospital. Persons who desire to reserve a "Memorial Sunday" are invited to communicate with the chairwoman of the Altar Society, Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Cliveden avenue and Jefferson street.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Calendar for October

October 2—Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
October 9—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
October 16—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
October 18—S. Luke.
October 23—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
October 28—S. Simon and S. Jude.
October 31—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

The Friday afternoon services have been resumed at the usual hour, five o'clock. The attendance during the past year has been fair and the music furnished by the "Guild Choir," composed of volunteers, has added much to these services. If more persons in the Parish realized the peaceful, restful character of this service of Evensong we are sure that they would avail themselves of this privilege. The service is a half-hour in length and all are cordially invited to come apart from the world for a little while, and, as "the day is gently sinking to a close,"

draw near to God in meditation and prayer.

"When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My weary eyelids gently steep,

Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
Forever on my Saviour's breast."

The New Parish House

The plans for the enlargement and improvement of the Parish House have been submitted to the Vestry by the architect and have been posted in the vestibule of the church for the inspection of the parishioners. The present plans are the result of a great deal of thought and time given by the Vestry and the architect in their endeavor to embody, as far as possible, the needs of the various societies of the Parish. The plans are now submitted to the members of the congregation with the view of inviting their criticisms and suggestions. It will not be possible, of course, to adopt every suggestion or to please every one. The Vestry, however, are anxious to meet, so far as they are able with the means at their disposal, the reasonable needs of all departments of the Parish organizations. The plans for the new addition to the present Parish building provide for a large and commodious room in the basement for games for boys and girls, lockers, shower baths and toilet. On the first, or ground floor, are assembly rooms for societies, reading and club rooms for boys and young men, a kitchen and Rector's study. The second floor is devoted to additional space for the Sunday School and library. No alteration to the old building is contemplated at present, but it is hoped that some rearrangement in the present building may be made later.

A number of societies in the Parish will work during the coming winter to

add generous contributions to the Parish House Fund. One member of the Sunday School has realized over \$30.00 during the past summer making and selling to her friends fancy articles. Let the good work go on by all the societies and by every member of the Parish. The sooner the full amount needed for the improvement is realized the sooner the Parish House will be built. Therefore, the oft-repeated question: "How soon are we to have our new Parish House?" may be answered: "It is up to you"—that is, to each member, man and woman, boy and girl, of the Parish. All contributions and subscriptions should be sent to the chairman of the Parish House Committee, Mr. James H. Ritter, care "The Chelton Trust Co," Germantown.

Envelope Subscribers

Will all persons who are in arrears in their weekly envelope subscriptions please send in the full amount of their arrears as soon as possible? Many who have been absent during the summer have not, as yet, made up their back amounts and there are others who are several months in arrears. It will greatly aid the Warden to meet the financial demands of the Parish if all who are in arrears will pay up as soon as possible.

Subscribe Through the Envelope System

The Vestry is very anxious that the subscribers through the "Envelope System" shall be extended until it includes every one who attends the services at Christ Church. This method of giving should include, not only all the adult members of the Parish, but also children of the family should be

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EDITORIAL

THIS issue is the first number of volume nine and with it "The Chimes" enters upon another year of its existence. The editors firmly believe that the paper is an active factor in the work of our Parish and have received many favorable comments from members of the congregation regarding its usefulness. Therefore, we earnestly desire to continue publishing "The Chimes" at the regular periods.

For the last two or three years we have had a struggle with financial problems and it is with this in mind that we make an appeal for the support which the paper should receive. In order to pay the necessary expenses we must have not less than one hundred and twenty-five subscribers at fifty cents each. Last year we had but eighty-four subscribers and it was necessary for a good friend to come to the rescue with funds. We hope that this will not be necessary this year and ask that all who possibly can will subscribe.

THE return of cooler weather will cause the resumption of work in the various societies of the Parish and the editor wishes to repeat his request of former years, that each society will appoint some person to act as their correspondent to "The Chimes." In this way only can all of the Guild be properly represented on our pages. Please take this request seriously and thus relieve the editors of the task of looking for news items every month and at the same time aid your society in furthering its work.

THE Committee of the Vestry appointed to consider plans for the improvement of the Parish House has worked earnestly on the task given them and has considered the question from many viewpoints. The editor is informed that all is ready but some small details, and that the plans will soon be posted for the consideration of the members of the congregation. The task has not been a light one and the Parish is to be congratulated on having come so much nearer to a realization of our ambitions in this direction.

UP TO THE time of going to press the Business Editor had received subscriptions from the following persons:

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encouraged by their parents to give in this way, thus inculcating in them the spirit of systematic and conscientious giving to the cause of Religion at home and in the mission field. The needs demand that every Christian should do his or her duty. The extended usefulness of this Parish depends upon every one doing what they can. If the pledges through the envelope system should be doubled during this year—which might be the case if every one in the Parish would subscribe—all the needs of the Parish would be easily met and its sphere of usefulness would be greatly enlarged. A majority of the members of the Parish already subscribe through the Envelope System, but it is greatly desired that every one who has hitherto neglected to subscribe, should sign a card this fall so that the burden of the expenses shall be borne, not by a few, but as it ought to be, by all. Pledge cards, with amounts ranging from five cents to one dollar per week, may be found in the vestibules of the Church. All who attend the services of this Church are invited to take these pledge cards, sign them for any amount which you may feel able to give as a weekly offering to the Church and its work. The signed card may be placed on the plate at any service or sent to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal street. A package of envelopes will then be sent to each subscriber. As the offerings are placed in these envelopes, absolute secrecy is obtained and conscientious, systematic giving is thus encouraged. By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of its members on account of illness or inclement weather. In signing these

pledge cards members are asked to do so conscientiously and with the assurance that they are discharging a very plain and obvious duty, which will also appeal to them in the light of a privilege.

I once met a thoughtful scholar who told me that for years he had read every book he could which assailed the religion of Jesus Christ, and would have become an infidel but for three things: First, I am a man; I am going somewhere; to-night I am a day nearer the grave than I was last night. I have read all such books can tell me; they shed not one solitary ray upon the darkness; they take away the only guide, and leave one stoneblind. Secondly, I had a mother; I saw her go down into the dark valley where I am going, and she leaned upon an unseen arm as a child goes to sleep on the breast of its mother. I know that was not a dream. Thirdly, I have three motherless children. They have no protector but myself. I would rather kill them than to leave them in this sinful world if you blot out from it all the teachings of the Gospel.—*Bishop Whipple.*

THE editors have appointed Miss Mary Dahl as special agent for the soliciting of subscriptions to "The Chimes." Any courtesy shown her will be appreciated by the editors. "The Chimes" is placed in the Church for free distribution to strangers and those who may feel unable to subscribe. It is hoped that all who are able to do so will contribute to the support of the paper.

Parish Notes

During the Rector's vacation the services of the Church were efficiently conducted by the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry. Mr. McHenry's Sunday evening addresses on the work the Church is doing through the City Mission were most interesting and instructive to all who were privileged to listen to them. The following letter from Mr. McHenry is complimentary to the people of this Parish:

Philadelphia, Pa., September 7, 1910.

Dear Mr. Arndt:

Now that you are settled again I shall take the time to write and tell you how much I enjoyed and appreciated my work at Christ Church during the months of July and August. Never before have I received such kindly and cordial treatment extended to me by the communicants of your parish, which, to me, is a great commentary upon the sterling qualities of the rector of the parish, who, of course, is their teacher and their guide. It was with regret that I usually said "farewell" to the congregation and the Sunday School. Particularly do I wish to express my appreciation for the splendid co-operation of the choir. Not only did they render the services of the Church most beautifully, but also they showed their sympathy and interest in the work of the City Mission, with which I am officially connected, by going one Sunday afternoon in a body to the Eastern State Penitentiary and holding a service of song for the convicts. All the members of the Vestry who were present at the church services were most cordial to me. The sexton was most faithful and attentive. He is an ideal man for the position. And the members of the congregation, both individually and collectively, were exceptionally kind. Several of them gave me donations towards our City Mission. Indeed my visit to your parish was very profitable to me in every way. I humbly pray that I was able to give something in return for all that I received.

Again thanking you for the opportunity to serve your parish this summer, I am and always shall be,

Most cordially yours,
H. CRESSON McHENRY.

Special Offering, Sunday, October 16th

On the third Sunday in October will be taken the annual offering for the Germantown Convocation and Sustentation Fund. This is one of the most

worthy objects to which our people are asked to give.

The missionary work of the Diocese of Pennsylvania is under the "Diocesan Board of Missions." This Board, which is a creature of the Diocesan Convention, has the grave responsibility of attending to all missions in this diocese, including the support and extension of church work in the newer portions of Philadelphia, as well as in the poorer sections of our city and the outlying country districts. To facilitate the Board in this work the diocese is divided into six districts on "Convocation," and to each Convocation is apportioned certain missionary jurisdiction. The total money required to carry on this missionary work here at our doors is apportioned among the six Convocations. The "Germantown Convocation," of which Christ Church is a part, has under its care the missionary work in this part of the city, parts of the "Kensington District," and the rural work in Bucks County.

The share of Christ Church Parish is (including the Sustentation Fund) \$225.00. This amount our Parish is asked to give to assist in carrying on the missionary work in this diocese. There is a great work being done under the direction of the Germantown Convocation, and if the readers of "The Chimes" will carefully look over the report of the Diocesan Missions—copies of which will be found in the vestibules of the Church—they will be impressed with the importance of this missionary work and the progress the Church is making in extending the Kingdom of Christ among the people of this diocese. This Parish has never failed to meet its full apportionment, and it is hoped that every attendant at

the services of Christ Church will give liberally to this most worthy object on the third Sunday of the month, October 16th. A fuller account of this important missionary work will be given from the chancel on the above date.

Franklin Spencer Edmonds, Esq. The Sunday School is now in full session and extends a cordial welcome to all young people in this vicinity. Come and join us on Sunday mornings at half-past nine o'clock. Sheldon Potter, Esq., is the Superintendent, and Mr. O. N. Middleton Associate Superintendent.

The following are the special offerings taken in this Church during the year:

Third Sunday in October—"Germantown Convocation and Sustentation Fund."

Thanksgiving Day—"Episcopal Hospital."

Sunday before Christmas—"Support of the Sunday School."

Christmas Day—"Aged and Infirm Clergy."

Third Sunday in January—"Foreign Missions."

Third Sunday in February—"Episcopal and Convention Fund."

Good Friday—"Church Work Among the Jews."

Easter Day—"Special Parish Purposes."

Third Sunday in May—"Domestic Missions."

The above list is announced in advance so that the conscientious givers in Christ Church may know the Sundays on which special offerings are to be taken and in case of absence from Divine Service may send their offering to the Accounting Warden.

On the third Sunday of September our Sunday School held a big "Rally Service." Interesting addresses were delivered by Mr. John Hodge and

Choir Notes

On Thursday, August 25th, a number of the choir left Philadelphia for New York by train, and thence up the Hudson to West Point by boat, returning home about 10.30 P. M. after a most enjoyable day.

A large hymnal was offered by the choir-master for the best attendance in the choir during the summer. A tie resulted between Miss Collisson and Miss Laura Hayhurst, neither missing a service or rehearsal. Therefore, each received a hymnal for their commendable faithfulness. Other members were close behind the leaders—in fact, all were most faithful during the warm weather just past.

Under the auspices of the choir a number of musicales and entertainments will be given during the winter, the proceeds to be used toward the Choir Summer Outing next year. It is hoped that they will be well patronized, not only for the personal pleasure derived, but that, through your assistance, the members of the choir may enjoy a week's vacation next summer.

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL year
commences on Advent Sunday,
which is always the nearest Sunday
to St. Andrew's Day (November 30th).
Hence, the latter is sometimes at the
beginning, sometimes at the end of the
ecclesiastical year. Trinity Sunday di-
vides the year about equally. The first
part—from Advent to Trinity—is de-
voted to a commemoration of the
various events in the early life of our
Saviour, which formed part of His
great work, viz.: His Incarnation
Manifestation to the Gentiles, Fasting
and Temptation, Crucifixion, Resurrec-
tion and Ascension; the Descent of the
Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost
and the Revelation of the great mys-
tery of Trinity.

The second part of the year—from
Trinity onward—is appropriated to a
consideration of our practical duties
as members of Christ, founded on those
doctrines in which we have previously
been instructed. Hence, we have a
complete cycle of Christian teaching
for the year, independent of the in-
struction received from the pulpit. The
advantages thus secured are obvious.
The congregation is not left entirely
dependent on the teaching of the
preacher and yet the latter has sug-
gested to him subjects of discourse to
which he may return year after year
without fear of exhausting them.

ADVENT is a season of self-exam-
ination and earnest prayer, whilst
we commemorate the first coming of
our Blessed Lord and meditate on His
second; and thus we are prepared for

the right enjoyment of the approach-
ing festival of the Nativity. The Col-
lects, Epistles and Gospels are appoint-
ed with a view to this. The Collects
may be said to form a series. In them
Christ is alluded to as coming (1) in
Person, (2) in His Word, (3) by His
ministers and (4) by His Spirit. The
Epistles are explanatory of the Col-
lects. The Gospels are (1) a parable,
so to speak, of Christ's coming to
judge, (2) a description of that coming,
(3) our Lord's testimony to John Bap-
tist as the herald of his first coming,
(4) John's testimony concerning him-
self.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY.—This is
one of the most ancient of the
festivals commemorative of the Apost-
les. It may fall either at the begin-
ning or the end of the Ecclesiastical
Year, but generally it is the former.

There is a certain propriety in St.
Andrew being commemorated first of
all the Apostles, he having been one of
the first to follow Christ. See John i,
40. Hence his ancient name of Proto-
kletos (First Called). He is remark-
able, too, as having been the first of
the Apostles who did Missionary
work; he brought his own brother
Simon to Christ. This fact also may
have had something to do with the
place given to him in the Calendar;
certainly it seems to have governed the
choice of the Epistle, which contains
St. Paul's great Missionary argument,
ver. 11-16. The Gospel is the account
of his formal call. He was crucified by
order of Ægeas, Pro-Consul of Achaia,

after having been terribly scourged. The Cross on which he was bound (not nailed) is generally affirmed to have been in the shape of the letter X.

THE FESTIVAL OF ST. THOMAS, which occurs on the 21st of this month, is of very ancient date. The Collect has the leading idea drawn from a Homily of St. Gregory when he says: "that by this doubting of St. Thomas, we are more confirmed in our belief than by the faith of the other Apostles." It is recorded by Eusebius that after the day of Pentecost and the gift of tongues, the Apostles were scattered abroad, and that St. Thomas was sent to the Parthians, Medes, Persians and Chaldeans, founding churches among them till he penetrated into India. The Christians of St. Thomas, a remarkable religious community, still bear witness to his labors in that distant land; they are settled along the Malabar coast of the Indian peninsula. To the North also there seem to be relics of the Christian faith preached by St. Thomas, mixed with the strange religion of Thibet. St. Thomas was martyred at a place called Taprobane. Having been at first assailed with stones, he was at last killed by the thrust of a spear, thus offering a comparison to the words of our Lord to him: "Reach hither thy hand and thrust it into my side." It was not granted to St. Thomas to have his courageous aspirations fulfilled to die with Christ, but to die for His cause. It is related that the Portuguese found an ancient inscription in Meliapore, purporting that St. Thomas had been pierced with a lance at the foot of a cross, which he had erected in that city, and that in 1523 A. D. his body was found there and transported to Goa. It would appear that St. Thomas traveled farther than any of the Apostles, and preached to various nations of different languages, showing that as his incredulity was great, so was his faith great in proportion. When painted alone or with the other Apostles, his attribute is always a builder's rule or square, and for this reason he is called

the patron of architects and builders.

Behold! Thy King Cometh

It seems very natural to us to ask why the account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday should be read as the Gospel for Advent Sunday. At first sight it looks very like a displacement of the Gospel history, for on Advent Sunday we are thinking of the two extreme points, if we may so term them, of the relationship which the Lord Jesus bears to us, the one of His coming to take our nature upon Him nineteen centuries ago, and the other when He shall come to judge us hereafter; when we suddenly find ourselves in the very midst of His earthly life, at nothing less than its crisis, when He has just wrought His greatest recorded miracle, and is consciously on His way to die. What, then, we feel inclined to ask, is the connection between this entry into Jerusalem, and Christ's advent, whether on the occasion of His taking our nature upon Himself, or His still future advent, in the clouds of Heaven, as Judge of the quick and dead? Might it not have been better, we may ask, as is the case in some of the Churches of Christendom, to have chosen the Gospel for to-day from some passage in which our Lord describes His second coming, such, for instance, as the Gospel for Sunday next? This is what some of us may think, but these old liturgical arrangements were made by people who knew very well what they were about. They have been continued to our day, because they have been found, by the experience of some thirteen or fourteen centuries, to have a deep lesson for the human soul.

This Gospel is chosen because it brings before us two great truths; not only that of the first coming of our Divine Saviour into the world, but of His coming to the judgment. Passages of Scripture describing, either of these momentous events would be obviously appropriate, but to do justice to the solemn time upon which we now enter we require to keep these two truths clearly before the eye of the soul.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

Kalendar for December

December 4—Second Sunday in Advent.
December 11—Third Sunday in Advent.
December 18—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
December 21—St. Thomas.
December 25—Christmas Day.
December 26—St. Stephen's.
December 27—St. John's.
December 28—Holy Innocents.

Mrs. L. H. Dayton, of Brooklyn, has been engaged as Parish Visitor and entered on her duties November 1st.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxilliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxilliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxilliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Christ Church Calendars for 1911 are now ready and may be purchased either from Miss Dahl or the Sexton. The price is thirty cents. Last year the supply was exhausted early and it is recommended that all who wish these Calendars should order them at once.

Thanksgiving Day

The President of the United States has set aside Thursday, November 24th as "A Day for Prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God." The services on that day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30; Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00. The special form of Prayer and Thanksgiving used at this service will be found in the Prayer Book on page 319, immediately preceding Forms of Prayer to be used in Families." The offering on Thanksgiving Day will be for the Episcopal Hospital.

Envelope Subscribers

A number of the subscribers through the envelopes are in arrears. The treasurer of the Envelope System reports that some are in arrears for several months. It is hoped that all who have not paid their subscriptions in full will do so as soon as possible that the treasurer may balance the accounts at the end of this quarter, December 1st.

An Exemplary Family

A certain family recently moved into this vicinity from a City Parish. As soon as they were located they wrote to the Rector of Christ Church, stating that they had moved to Germantown and desired to connect themselves with this Parish. They enclosed in the letter to the Rector their letters of transfer from their former Parish to Christ Church Parish. They also stated that they desired to contribute regularly to the support of the work of this church and asked that pledge cards be sent to all the members of the family. Within a week these pledge cards were returned, filled out with the amount each member of the family felt they could afford to give. The Rector has called on them, welcomed them to their new Church Home, and there has thus been established that personal, pastoral relationship which should exist between Rector and people. This is an exemplary family. What a decided contrast to the large number of people who move into a community, float about from Church to Church or go to no Church at all! "I'll wait a little while."

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The Advent Season, which begins on Advent Sunday, November 27th, and continues until Christmas Day, ought to be used by all good Churchmen to prepare for the receiving of our

Lord on Christmas Day. There can be no Christian Christmas without Christ. Hence the Church sets apart the four weeks preceding Christmas as a season to prepare our hearts and minds to receive the Blessed Saviour into our lives.

Special Advent Sermons

On Sunday evenings during Advent the Rector will preach a special course of Advent Sermons on the general subject, "The State of the Dead." The special subjects and dates of these sermons will be as follows:

First Sunday evening in Advent, November 27th, "Where does the Soul go after Death?"

Second Sunday evening in Advent, December 4th, "Is there another chance after Death?"

Third Sunday evening in Advent, December 11th, "Does the Bible teach Eternal Punishment?"

Fourth Sunday evening in Advent, December 18th, "Where is Heaven?"

These subjects are of vital interest to every Christian man and woman. These questions have been asked, at one time or another, by every living soul. They will be endeavored to be answered according to the teachings of the Bible. A cordial invitation is extended to strangers to attend these services.

A full program of the Christmas services of the Church and the Sunday School will be published in the next issue of "The Chimes," which will appear the Sunday before Christmas. It can be stated that the Church services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 and 11.00 A. M. These hours—arranged to suit all classes—will enable every one to come to the Holy Communion on this great festival of the Birth of our Lord.

On December 1st the semi-annual pew rents are due. The Warden congratulates the pew renters of Christ Church on their prompt remittance of their pew rents. He will be pleased to

meet after any service or by appointment newcomers in the congregation who may desire to rent pews or settings. In this connection attention is called to the standing notice which appears on page three of "The Chimes."

A New England Supper and Sale will be held in Christ Church Parish House on Tuesday afternoon and evening, November 22, under the auspices of the Sunday-school. The proceeds will be given to the Parish House Fund.

There will be fancy articles, suitable for Christmas gifts, cake, candy, and pies for sale. Tickets for the supper will be 35 cents.

It is hoped that not only all members of the Sunday-school and their friends will take supper at the Parish House on November 22d, but that every member of the parish will co-operate with the school and patronize this supper and sale.

Some time about the middle of December Mr. Gallagher's class will give a play and entertainment, the proceeds of which will go to the Parish House Improvement Fund.

A very amusing comedy, "A Rival by Request," has been selected, and, as most of the members of the cast have had considerable experience, a very enjoyable evening is assured.

By patronizing efforts of this kind a double purpose is accomplished. You enjoy an evening of good entertainment and your money goes to an object in which we are all interested.

Choir Notes

On Tuesday evening, October 25th, the choir was entertained by Mrs. Kulp, formerly Miss Leola Britton, at her home in Tioga. The members of the choir presented Mrs. Kulp, who was lately a member of the choir, with a handsome framed picture of "The Last Supper," a well-known engraving.

Wednesday evening, November 2nd, a Hallowe'en party was held by the choir in the Parish building. All the members were present, as well as several invited friends and ex-choristers.

After games and dancing, the party, numbering thirty-five in all, sat down to a well-laden table provided by the choir members. The table was daintily decorated and a most pleasant evening was spent.

The first of the series of piano duet and song recitals was given in the Parish building, Wednesday evening, November 9th. An interesting program was given by the pianists, Miss Collison and Mr. Rile, who were assisted by Mr. Frederick Anné, tenor, whose principal number was von Fielitz's beautiful song cycle, "Eliland." The audience was most generous in showing its approval, applauding the numbers heartily.

The next recital of the series will be given on Wednesday evening, December 14th. Miss Mabelle C. Coleman, contralto soloist in a prominent Philadelphia Church, will sing. The piano program will include several of the well-known classics. Tickets may be obtained from members of the choir or the sexton, at twenty-five cents, and can be used either at this recital or the one in January.

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

It has been thought best to have our meetings on the first Wednesday afternoon in the month this winter, instead of in the evening, as heretofore. This change has been made to accommodate many women in the Parish who could not attend the evening meetings, and we trust it will result in a large attendance. Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, 205 W. Upsal street, has very kindly extended the hospitality of her house for our next meeting on Wednesday, December 7th, at three o'clock, and a cordial invitation is extended to all the women of our Parish to be present. Mrs. Hughson, from Morganton, North Carolina, is to address the meeting, and will tell us of her hospital work among the destitute white people of the South.

Will you not make a note of the date of this meeting, so that you will not make some other engagement and say, "I pray thee have ME excused?"

H. D. W.

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EDITORIAL

Don't Deceive Yourself.

Plenty of people imagine they have nothing
for which to give thanks, but imagination
is deceptive.

Charity's Visiting Day.

Charity begins at home, but at Thanks-
giving time it ought to go visiting and help
to make happy the lives of those to whom
turkey is only a memory or a mockery.

The above clippings, which are taken
from a local newspaper, certainly will
provide ample opportunity for thought
at this particular season. Truly, if one
will but give a few moments to reflec-
tion on the year which has passed since
last Thanksgiving Day, he or she will
find many things for which to be thank-
ful. Even the poorest and most unfor-
tunate of us can find some evidence of
the Father's kindness and mercy in our
lives or the lives of those dear to us.

Granted, then, that we have reason
to show our appreciation for His good-
ness to us, in what way more fitting can
we express our thanks than in trying
to pass along some of our blessings to
those who are less fortunate? If we
can do much for others let us do it;
but if this may not be, then let us do
our little gladly and cheerfully, re-

membering that even a helping word
is sometimes more needed than ma-
terial things.

Up to the time of going to press the
Business Editor had received one sub-
scription from a friend, who failed to
place his or her name upon the enve-
lope, and also from the following per-
sons:

Miss A. Armstrong
Mr. H. R. Baremore
Mr. T. W. Brown
Mr. J. M. Canfield
Mrs. C. A. Carryl
Mr. F. B. Falkner

Miss L. W. Fell
Mrs. Hance
Mr. E. H. Morris
Mrs. Robinson
Mrs. E. V. Smyth
Mrs. A. Wenzell

This leaves thirty-eight subscriptions
still lacking in the number needed to
assure the editors of sufficient funds
to carry the publication through the
year. May we not be able, in the next
issue, to announce that this doubt is re-
moved and the success of "The
Chimes" for another year is assured?

Sunday School.

The first of the course of illustrated
lectures, which are to be given in the
Sunday School on the first Sunday
morning of each month, was very pleas-
ing. The topic was the work among
the American Indians. The slides used
were finely colored and the reading was
both entertaining and instructive.

Owing to the recent strike of the
express drivers about New York it
may be necessary to deviate from the
schedule as announced in the last issue
of "The Chimes." These slides are
loaned by the Board of Missions and
are constantly traveling from place to
place. The strike interfered with their
transportation and may make substitu-
tion necessary.

These lectures start promptly at
quarter past nine o'clock on the first
Sunday morning of each month. They
are held in the Sunday School room on
the second floor of the Parish building
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Men's Club.

The supper of the Men's Club, which
was held on the fourth of November,
was a very pleasant and profitable af-
fair. The speaker was Roland S. Mor-
ris, Esquire, of Philadelphia, and his
address on the work of the recent con-
vention of the Church was both inter-
esting and helpful. The supper was
well planned and served, and the thanks
of the Club are extended to those ladies
who so kindly assumed the work of
preparing and serving the viands.

The next meeting of the Club will
be held on Friday evening, the twenty-
seventh of January, at which time the
annual election of officers will occur.

C. L. H.

The Sunday-school is to have a series
of entertainments during the winter.
The object of the entertainments is to
have the teachers and scholars come
together in a social way. The first one
is to be given on December 7th. We
are going to give an old-fashioned Mrs.
Jarley's Wax Works. Some of the
younger scholars probably have never
seen these, but we think it will be lots
of fun. No admission will be charged,
but those coming are asked to bring
some groceries or fruit as an offering.
Mr. Arndt has many demands for food
during the winter, and this will be a
good opportunity for the Sunday-school
to help him.

P. M.

The General Convention.

The General Convention of the
Church, recently held in Cincinnati,
Ohio, was in many respects one of the
greatest conventions that has ever been
held by the American Church. A dep-
uty to the convention writes:

"One would indeed be bold who
dared deny that the convention could
well be described in the one word,
splendid. It was a splendid conven-
tion, and the feature that made it splen-
did was the spirit of harmony and
good fellowship that pervaded the
whole convention."

We are indebted to the "Living
Church" for the following resume of
the convention:

Accomplished Legislation.

Four new Missionary Districts created—
Eastern Oklahoma, North Texas, San Joa-
quin (Cal.), Wuhu (China).

One additional Missionary Bishopric cre-
ated by separation of Arizona from New
Mexico.

Six new Missionary Bishops elected as
follows: For Eastern Oklahoma, the Rev.
T. P. Thurston, of Minneapolis; for North-
Texas, the Rev. E. A. Temple, of Waco,
Texas; for San Joaquin, the Rev. Louis C.
Sanford, Eighth Department Missionary
Secretary; for Wuhu, the Rev. Francis L.
H. Pott, D. D., president of St. John's Col-
lege, Shanghai; for Arizona, the Rev. Julius
W. Atwood, of the same district; for Kear-
ney, to succeed the Rt. Rev. A. R. Graves,
D. D., resigned, the Very Rev. George A.
Beecher, Dean of the Cathedral at Omaha.

Suffragan Bishops made lawful, to be pro-
vided with seats but without votes in the
House of Bishops.

The Board of Missions completely reor-
ganized on a representative basis, each Mis-
sionary Department to choose one Bishop,
one presbyter, and one layman as members,
and with an equal number chosen at large
by the General Convention. The Presiding
Bishop continues to be at the head of the
whole D. & F. Missionary Society, but an
elective president by General Convention,
to be at the head of the Board of Missions,
with headquarters at the Church Missions
House. Bishop Lloyd was chosen as Presi-
dent, which will necessitate his resignation
as Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.

Creation of a Board of Christian Educa-
tion and of a Social Service Commission.

Creation of a Joint Commission to call a
world conference of all Christian bodies
who accept Jesus Christ as God and Sav-
iour to confer concerning the Faith and
Order of the Church. The Bishop of Chi-
cago, chairman.

King James Version of the Bible named
as standard, but permission given to use
either of the Revised Versions for the les-
sons.

Canon 19 adequately and satisfactorily
defined by the House of Bishops.

Army and navy chaplains to be trans-
ferred to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of
Washington.

Consent given to the division of the dio-
cese of Pittsburgh.

Joint commission to reconsider the whole
subject of Theological Education.

Recommended that in every diocese a
missionary committee be formed which
shall organize similar committees in all
parishes for the stimulation of missionary
interest and offerings.

Joint Commission to revise the third col-
lect for Good Friday.

Members of Courts of Review for the
Trials of Presbyters and Deacons to be
chosen by the several Departments.

Congregationalists ask to meet committee of this Church on unity under the overtures of the Lambeth Conference of 1908. Referred to Joint Committee on World Conference, etc.

Pending measure for elective Presiding Bishop failed, but a new measure making similar provision, leaving the tenure of office to be fixed by canon, sent down to the dioceses prior to final action in 1913.

New Lectionary made permissive as alternative to that in the Prayer Book, until the next General Convention. Permission granted to use lessons appointed for Morning or for Evening Prayer interchangeably.

A special book of popular Hymns with Music was set forth for missionary use.

Measures That Were Not Enacted.

To drop the word Protestant and otherwise revise the Title Page of the Prayer-Book. Adopted by a large majority of dioceses in the clerical order but failed for one diocesan vote in the lay.

To appoint a Joint Commission to prepare a form for Unction. Adopted by a large majority of the House of Bishops and of dioceses in the clerical order, negatived by a small majority of the lay.

To regulate religious orders. Adopted by the House of Bishops, laid over until next convention by House of Deputies.

To prohibit all remarriage of divorced persons during the lifetime of other party. Adopted by the House of Bishops, laid over until next Convention by House of Deputies.

Racial Missionary Districts for colored people, failed in both houses by considerable majorities.

Proposal to permit Prayer Books with certain alterations in Title Page, etc., in foreign field, laid on the table in the House of Deputies.

Measure to provide for final courts of appeals referred to next Convention.

Measure tentatively enacted in 1907, to amend procedure in ecclesiastical trials, not ratified.

Proposed Preamble, tentatively enacted in 1907, failed by large majority. A new one, introduced by Rev. Dr. Niver, not adopted.

Reorganization of the General Theological Seminary, passed by the House of Deputies, failed in House of Bishops.

Two Ideas of the Church.

By request we republish the following article, which appeared in "The Chimes" several months ago. It should be thoughtfully read by every Christian man and woman.

There is a great deal of difference between the Episcopal Church and the other Christian bodies. The mode of worship, the methods of work, the ways of thinking and doing—all are differ-

ent. The difference is not only great, but it is radical. It goes to the very root of matters. It is to be traced to what the idea of the Church of Christ actually is. Out of this real root difference grows all the rest.

What is the Church? Let us define it, and call one definition "The Church Idea," and the other "The Sectarian Idea."

We place them in opposite columns for convenience in reference.

The Church Idea. The Sectarian

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| 1. It is a Divine institution with a | Idea. |
| 2. It is an or- ganism for dis- pensing Christian- ity. | 1. It is a hu- man institution |
| 3. It is the King- dom of Heaven Christianity. | 2. It is an or- ganization for the |
| seeking men on earth. | 3. It is a society on earth seeking the kingdom of Heaven. |

These are two entirely distinct and totally opposite conceptions of the nature and the purpose of the Church. Very naturally, the idea held influences every doctrine and practice of the church and determines its government. Hence the difference.

Let us emphasize the three points in each definition. "The Church Idea" recognizes that the Church is a Divine Institution, founded by Christ Himself, organized, officered and sent forth by Him, under the influence and guidance of the Divine Spirit, to do His work. It is the visible manifestation to the world of Christ; the Church is "His Body." It claims that no man has the right to make any other Church, and rend the Body of Christ, because he wants to emphasize certain doctrines or practices. The Episcopal Church claims that it is far better to let men hold their views—to look at the great truths from which ever side they please—but be loyal to the great Body that Christ sent forth into the world. "The Church Idea" believes in Christian unity.

The Church Idea also claims that the Church is not simply an organiza-

tion, but it is an organism—a life-possessing and life-giving organism—founded, not by man, but by Christ Himself, who, through this organism, imparts life eternal—even His life—to all who come unto Him. The Church is from above, not from below; it is ordained of God, not organized by men. The apostles were chosen by Christ and sent out by Him to preach the Gospel.

These men wrote the Bible, and in the course of time gathered its several books together and established the "Canon of Scripture," that future generations might know what the Apostles did. It is the written story of the Gospel and its conquests in the first Christian century, as human lips told it and enforced it. The Episcopal Church, which holds "The Church Idea," honors the Bible as much as any Christian body. Its utterances settles her questions of belief and practice, but she does not say "The Bible and the Bible only," for the Church of Christ is an organism, dependent upon an order of living men; and before they had any Bible in the form of the "New Testament," before a line of the New Testament was written, the Church existed, and the Apostles went forth and accomplished the noblest conquests over the heathen world. And every Bible might be burned and yet the Church of Christ would live, and men would tell brother men "the faith once delivered to the saints."

The Episcopal Church also claims the Church is a Kingdom—the Kingdom of God on earth, and partaking of a Kingdom with its King, and its governors appointed by the King, and by their successors, every officer holding his authority by virtue of a delegated authority, and every act of the duly appointed officers reaching down through all time to every citizen of that Kingdom. The hands of Jesus were lifted up over the apostles, and they received their commission: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature and baptize them." The apostles laid their hands on their successors, and so until they rest on Christians to-day—practically

the hands of Jesus stretching down through the ages, and pouring the water upon the head of the last baptized child, and giving the bread and the wine to the person who to-day kneels before the altar. This is Apostolic Succession. And that Kingdom should be one—united—not "divided against itself," as has been the case since men have undertaken "to make churches," to perpetuate opinions, and to teach doctrines.

This is the idea of the Church we find recorded in the Bible, as it tells us what Jesus and the apostles did. "The very first act of Christ's ministry," as an able writer puts it, "was to gather a few persons around him and form a society. We know the names and number of that society—the twelve disciples. At first they were only disciples—learners. He kept them near Him; He taught them by word and example. His parables He explained privately to them only. He trained them for their work by sending them out two and two, to preach and heal. There were evidently three ranks among these; Himself, the Head; the twelve next, and the third the seventy. Just before His Ascension Christ raised the twelve to the first rank, saying, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

The first act of the apostles after this was to choose one to take the place of Judas, showing thereby that the society, or organization was to be kept up. At that time the disciples in Jerusalem had increased to one hundred and twenty. Acts I, 25. The organization was complete, but it had not received the breath of life. On the Day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit was breathed into this organism, and it became active and aggressive. This was the baptism, the new birth, of the Church.

Soon after this we find the Church choosing deacons, and the apostles ordaining them by laying on of hands. Next we read of elders, or presbyters, or priests, evidently differing in office from apostles and deacons. The apostles go forth to the cities of the world, preaching and ordaining elders in ev-

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ery city. Thus the living society is enlarged and has in it all the germs for continuance. It shows that Christ's first and great method for saving souls was not to write a book or propound a philosophy which might have been done by some prophet, but was to found a Church, in living connection with Himself, its Head.

Which "Idea" is the better one depends on the fact whether Christ organized a church or not. According to the laws of nature, there must be more real vitality, a fuller, richer life in a Divine Body, than in a human society—in the Kingdom of God seeking men, than in a lot of men seeking the Kingdom of God.

Such a conception of the Church of God is grand, inspiring, helpful. It is calculated to secure the devotion and allegiance of men as something worthy of their love. It makes Churchmen who act from principle as well as from choice. It rises far above that belittling, selfish, self-pleasing idea that we go to Church where and when we like the minister, and work and worship when things suit us, and feel no sense of duty or obligation when other conditions exist. Reader, which Idea is your Idea—or which will it be from this hour?

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY { AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS
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A Joyful Christmas.

May this Christmas-tide bring hap-
piness and joy into every Christian
heart! And surely every one who re-
ceives Christ into his heart this Christ-
mas-tide will have that happiness and
joy and peace which Christ alone can
give. Without Christ there can be no
real Christmas. If the day is devoted
to mere feasting, if it is robbed of its
religious significance, it degenerates
into the Roman Saturnalia, which
Christmas-tide was intended to super-
sede. The salutations, "Merry Christ-
mas," "Joyful Christmas," with which
we greet our friends mean, "may the
lightness of heart, the joy which Christ
brings into the world, be yours on this
birthday of Jesus, the Saviour of man-
kind." But how empty and meaning-
less these words are, aye, even more—
how hypocritical they become if we
use them without sincerity, without
truth! Christmas without Christ! a
mere secular holiday! Are there not
many who observe Christmas in this
way? But the sincere, the thoughtful,
the true in heart will remember the
Day with religious joy. They will seek
that joy that comes to hearts that are
at peace with God. Like the wise men
of old, they will seek Christ with gifts
of love and fall down before Him and
worship Him. They will draw near
unto Christ on that Day and commune
with Him.

A Christmas WITH Christ will be,
indeed, "a Joyful Christmas Day."
With Christ in our hearts, our Christ-
mas greeting will then be to our
friends a Christmas benediction, the
spirit of Christ reflected in a life of

forgiveness, of self-sacrificing service
and love to every one.

A Happy New Year.

"IN NOMINE JESUS, AMEN."
These are the words with which public
messages were begun in the early
Christian ages. "In the Name of
Jesus, yea, verily." And each new year
to-day begins with the words "ANNO
DOMINI." This new year is the year
of our Lord, 1911. "The Year of our
Lord; in the Name of Jesus!" How
happy indeed will be the year if it be
begun, continued and ended "In the
Name of Jesus." If all that we do dur-
ing the coming year, if all that we say
and think, be "In His Name," "in His
Spirit," "for His sake," how our own
character, how society around us
will be transformed into a heavenly
state, "into the unity of the faith and
of the knowledge of the Son of God
unto a perfect man, unto the measure
of the stature of Christ." A Happy
New Year? Yes, a new year full of
heavenly happiness it will be to all
who take that Name to live by. May
this New Year be to every Christian
heart in this Parish A HAPPY NEW
YEAR. "IN NOMINE JESUS,
AMEN!"

The Festival of the Circumcision.

On January 1 occurs the Festival of
the Circumcision, the day on which
our Lord was received by the ancient
Jewish rite of circumcision into the
Jewish Church and was given His
Name, JESUS, which means Saviour,
the name declared by the angels which

announced His birth. Under the new law of the Gospel, Baptism became the mode of admission to the Christian Church, and all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost are members of the Church.

Thus the Church, by appointing this festival on the first day of January, begins the new year with the sacred Name of JESUS, the Saviour of the world.

"How we should love that sweet Name, Jesus. Every time we see it or hear it we should remember that out of love for us God's Son took upon Him our nature, and in it suffered and died that we might have life eternal. Then it is the Name which we are to use in our prayers. Whatever good thing we need God will give us in the Name of His Son, if we plead that Name before Him."

The first of January, besides being the Festival of the Circumcision, is also the beginning of the new civil year. To-day we begin a new year, 1911. We rejoice as another year begins, and we have bright hopes that it will bring happiness to us. It is well to rejoice, and it is well also to look forward hopefully to the future, but there are some things we must keep in mind even in our New Year's gladness.

The first is that each year ended is another milestone passed in our journey and another page of our life's history which is registered on high. How have we used that past? Have we made the best of it so that we are entering in a new year with higher aims than we have ever had? Our Christian privileges—have we improved them all? Have we been faithful in any Christian ministry during the year that is past? Have we been as loyal, as we might have been, to the services of the Church? Have we regularly and always with hearts prepared to receive Him drawn near to our Lord in Holy Communion? Have we grown more and more like unto Him in spirit and in truth during the year that has past? At the end of another year we are nearer to God in time—are we

nearer to Him in character? Shall not each one of us resolve, at the beginning of this New Year, that we will endeavor, God helping us, to IMPROVE EVERY OPPORTUNITY that He has given us, to become better, purer, holier, and by His grace grow more and more like unto our Saviour, Jesus Christ?

Then let us also keep in mind that we can do very much towards making the new year upon which we enter a happy one for others. We need not live selfishly. We can remember that, just as our Lord Jesus lived for others, even to the giving up His life for men, so we, in our sphere, may follow Him and make the days better for all who are about us, bring into others' lives A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The Festival of the Epiphany

The great event which this festival brings to notice is the making known of our Lord to the wise men—the magi—who came from the Far East seeking Him. At the time of our Saviour's birth there was a wide expectation in the world that a great personage was to be born. When our Saviour came as a little child these men from the Far East, who had been studying the heavens, observed a new star, which they regarded as an indication of the birth of the new King. So they followed on and were led by it finally to Bethlehem, where they saw the Holy Child. Great was their gladness. They worshipped Him; they gave Him gifts, and then went back home to tell others that the long-expected One had come.

The visit of the magi has always been regarded as a promise and a prophecy of the coming of the nations of the earth to our Lord. They were the first fruits of the great harvest which is being gathered in all parts of the world. As we think of the magi, let us think of the great multitude of people who have not yet heard of our Lord and of His salvation, and may we be faithful in prayers and gifts and efforts to spread the Gospel so that He may be acknowledged as the Lord of all.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Church Services

Holy Communion } Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

An old legend tells of one of the saints who, dreaming in his chair, beheld a vision which stood before him and beckoned him to follow her to fortune. He waited sluggishly, heeded not her call nor her beckoning, until at last she grew dim and disappeared. Just as the vision faded, he sprang to his feet and cried out: "Tell me who thou art?" and received the answer: "I am Opportunity; once neglected I never return." Advent and the New Year remind us that "NOW is the time."

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxillary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxillary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxillary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Support of the Sunday School.

On the Sunday before Christmas the annual offering for the support of Christ Church Sunday School will be taken. It requires a large sum of money to properly conduct a Sunday school. Our Sunday School largely pays its own current expenses, besides giving liberally to missions, to charities and other worthy causes. The school has pledged \$300.00 this year for the Parish Home Improvement Fund, and by the untiring efforts of the teachers and scholars the prospects are that the school will raise considerably more than that amount by Easter time. The members of the Parish are asked to give on the Sunday morning before Christmas \$200.00 toward paying the current expenses of the school. This includes purchase of Sunday school lesson papers, magazines, books, expenses for the Christmas service and entertainment, the Easter service expenses and other incidental items.

Services on Christmas Day.

On Christmas Day there will be Celebrations of the Holy Communion at 6.30, 7.30 and 11 A. M. At 11 o'clock the Morning Prayer will be omitted and the service will consist of Gounod's St. Cecilia Communion Service, one of the most devotional musical compositions of modern times. The sermon will be preached by the Rector.

In the evening, at 7.30, will be held the Sunday School Christmas Carol Service. The address will be delivered by the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, of the City Mission.

By request the choir will, on Christmas Day, at the 11 o'clock service, sing Gounod's St. Cecilia Communion Service, including Kyrie, Gloria Tibi, Sanctus Benedictus and Gloria Excelsis. Miss Helen P. Donlevy, harpist, will assist. The anthem will be Tour's "Sing, O Heavens." In January Cecil Klein's Te Deum and Jubilate in E flat, and Bruce Stean's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in C will be sung.

Christmas Communion.

The services on Christmas Day have been arranged at hours to meet the convenience of all people, so that every communicant can commune on that day. A Christmas without Christ is, to say the least, an anomaly. From the earliest ages of Christianity the "Festival of the Nativity of our Lord, or the Birthday of Christ, commonly called Christmas Day," was celebrated by the faithful in "coming together for the Breaking of Bread." And as our Church adheres to the teachings and practices of the primitive Apostolic Church it enjoins all its members, in the words of St. Peter, "to stand fast and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word or our epistle," and so to "follow the blessed Saints in all virtuous and Godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which are prepared for those who unfeignedly love" our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. On this great Day, joined together with myri-

ads of God's saints in all the lands and in all the ages—the living with the dead—we are all one in Jesus in the Blessed Communion of His Body and Blood.

O Holy Jesu, Prince of Peace!
Thy peace be with us gathering round Thy board,
Here, where the presence of an unseen Lord
Waits to be gracious, charged with full release
To every heavy-laden soul
Which here remembers Thee.

Once more, as in that upper room,
Thou Who didst love Thine own unto the end,
Thou Whose dear voice to every sorrowing friend
Spoke the great promise through the deepening gloom,
Thou bidd'st us, Master of the feast,
To-day remember Thee!

And e'en as in our hands we take
This broken bread, this precious cup of love,
Thy dying testament, which from above
Thou deignest ever new and fresh to make,
A fount of grace and life to all;
We do remember Thee!

Ours is the bond of love divine,
Which knits us each to all and all to each;
That love whose ever-lengthening cords can reach
From the white choir around Thy heavenly shrine
To those who come in faith to-day
Here to remember Thee.

Thy banquet over, as we go,
Strong in the strength of this celestial meat,
To tread the path of life with firmer feet,
To work the works which Thou hast bid us do.

Midnight Service New Year's Eve.

The usual midnight service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at 11 o'clock. The church will be open all evening for private prayer and meditation. The ending of the old year and the beginning of a new one should be an occasion for serious thought and reflection. It is an opportunity to begin life on a higher and a holier plane, and no place can be more fitting to spend the last hours of the old and the beginning of the new year than in the house of God.

In the Quiet of God's House.

Says one: "It was only a short time ago that I walked along the roadside with mind and body both unstrung. I was not happy. I was anxious and troubled. Presently I came to a church whose door stood open, and I went in. If I had been glad at heart it would have seemed a sweet place, full of peace and beautiful mysteries, but I was overshadowed by a sad anxiety. Suddenly as I stood there there came into my mind a sudden gracious thought to commit myself to the heart of God, not to disguise my weakness and anxiety, not to ask that the load should be made easier, but that I might endure His will to the uttermost. In a moment came the strength I sought. There was no lightening of the load, but a deeper serenity, a desire to bear it faithfully. The very fragrance of the flowers in the church seemed to mingle like a sweet incense with my vow. The old walls whispered of patience and hope."

An experience like this, recounted by Benson, in his book, "From a College Window," is not an unusual one. Said one who watched the people who came for private prayers into a large city church: "Was it my fancy, or was it really so? Every one seemed to go away looking happier than when he came in. Some seemed transfigured, for, whereas they had entered the quiet church bowed as if burdened, they went out as those who had put their burdens down."

Aged and Infirm Clergy.

The offering on Christmas Day will be for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Relief Fund. It is a cause which will appeal to every Christian. Hundreds of clergymen, after serving the Church faithfully on small salaries, are neglected in their old age, many of them suffering for the necessities of life, many of them humiliated by the fact that the Church does not seem to want them, as if old age were a crime; while there are hundreds of widows and orphans of clergymen left unsufficiently supported.

When we consider the great wealth in the Episcopal Church, when we think of the large incomes of many of its members, when we view their magnificent mansions and know of their enormous expenditures, and then see the many pathetic cases of distress and heroic struggle against poverty among faithful clergy of our Church who have grown old in the service of Christ, and hear their cry for help, it is enough to make the very stones cry out in protest: "Shame! Shame! Shame!" Surely this sad condition will not be allowed to continue, unless, indeed, our hearts are harder than adamant and our love for Christ and the Church, which He died to save, has grown cold.

What can be done? It is being undertaken to raise a sufficient fund by which aged and infirm clergy of the Church may receive a pension, as the Government pensions its soldiers who are disabled or become infirm through age.

With this united plan the Church must be induced to contribute more liberally, more definitely, on a definite day each year, and to send a portion of the Communion Alms. Individuals must be brought to see the need and the loving opportunity of helping by gift and legacy, those who in a large majority of cases are bearing poverty and old age and sickness in splendid and heroic silence.

It is earnestly hoped that every person in Christ Church Parish will remember most generously the aged and infirm clergy of our Church on Christmas Day, and if any are kept away from service on that day, that they will send their offering to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal street.

The expense of trimming the church at Christmas is met by contributions from the members of the congregation. Persons who desire to contribute to this purpose are invited to give their amounts to Dr. William N. Johnson. The work of decorating the church is done by members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and other young men of the Parish.

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EDITORIAL

Once again the beautiful festival of Christmas is approaching, with all its holy associations and inspiring thoughts. Every household is now busily engaged in the preparations incident to this season; all are now making or selecting the gifts which will make both others and themselves happy, for are we not happier in doing for our dear ones than in receiving the gifts sent us? Beautiful indeed is the sentiment which inspires gifts to our friends and relations, but far more beautiful is the spirit which prompts the many acts of charity that mark the Christmastide. There are many persons in our own Parish who have neither friends nor relatives to help them enjoy Christmas, and it is among these unfortunates that we may find many opportunities for giving joy on Christmas Day. While we are planning our gifts and pleasures, many a mother is striving to conceive some way in which she may give her children a sufficient Christmas dinner to keep them from hunger.

For those who cannot give their time or who can give but little money to this work, the Rector stands ever ready to distribute their gifts among deserving people, and any donations sent him will be properly dispersed.

Let each, therefore, do his or her share in this work and then, in the quiet, happy moments which follow, hear the voice of Jesus say: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my children, ye have done it unto Me."

Comment has been made on the fact that some of our church societies are never represented by articles on these pages, while others are regularly in print. This is no fault of "The Chimes." The editor has repeatedly asked that the various organizations send in their notes and has more than once requested that a certain person in each society be named as "Correspondent to 'The Chimes.'" If this is done we can know to whom to apply for news. The only requirements are those stated at the head of this page, and the attention of all is especially called to the last two paragraphs of that heading.

Send in your copy! We shall be glad to print it as the space will permit.

A beautiful memorial altar screen will be erected in the side chapel before the Lenten season begins. It is intended to make the south transept of the church a memorial chapel, and persons who desire to give some simple memorial to be placed in this chapel in memory of their loved ones are invited to confer with the Rector.

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When man had fallen God came to him, called him out from the place where he had hidden himself in shame and fear, led him to confession of his sin, gave him the promise of a Saviour, and taught him to show his faith in the promised Saviour and to plead His merits and death in the rite of sacrifice. That rite of sacrifice at once became the great act of worship through which man obtained access to God, seeking pardon and blessing; through which God gave by anticipation the gifts which Christ should in the fullness of time purchase for mankind with His precious blood-shedding. The sacrifices of the Mosaic dispensation were offered every morning and every evening, were multiplied on the Sabbaths and new moons and great festivals; once a year all Israel joined in the great Passover sacrifice in token of the great deliverance which gave them a national existence; once a year the High Priest entered into the very presence of God, in the Most Holy Place, to make a solemn atonement for the people.

All the long series of sacrifices, with their various shades of meaning, were memorials, looking forward to the great Sacrifice of the Incarnate Son of God on Calvary. They were all fulfilled in that. And now, on the eve of the great Sacrifice, the Lord solemnly appoints a new symbolical memorial, and commands it to be adopted henceforth as THE GREAT ACT OF HIS CHURCH'S WORSHIP, by which they shall show their faith in Christ crucified, and plead His merits and precious death before the throne of grace.

"The breaking of bread" alone exists as the Memorial, till the end of time, of the great Sacrifice of Calvary.

It is only a spiritual union with Christ, and through the grace which flows to us from Christ, that we are able to live to God. Christ is our life. And this great truth is symbolized in

this new memorial. Not only the bread is broken, and the blood-red wine poured out, but Christ gives them to His disciples and bids them eat; they are not mere empty figures of Christ feeding us with Himself, but in them Christ does actually feed us with the heavenly bread which is Himself; and the bread which He gives is not only figuratively but actually (though spiritually), His body and blood, by which He gives us eternal life and promise of a glorious resurrection by which He dwells in us and we in Him, so that as He lives by the Father so we live by Him.—Selected.

Choir Notes.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Cecelia R. Stimson, contralto soloist of the choir. The sudden death of Mrs. Stimson was a great shock to the members of the choir, among whom she was so well liked and respected. Quite a number of the choir members attended the funeral service, on December 1, at her late residence. Resolutions were adopted by the choir, and sent to her husband, extending their deepest sympathy for his loss.

Miss Edith F. Macphie is filling the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Stimson until the first of the year.

The third and last Piano Duet and Song Recital of the series will be held in the Parish Building January 11, 1911. The assisting soloists will be Miss Elizabeth Fedigan, soprano, and Mr. George H. Elliott, basso cantate. The piano program will consist of some of the best orchestral works, including Tchaikowsky's Overture, "1812," and Liszt's symphonic poem, "Les Preludes." Tickets on sale from any member of the choir, or the Sexton, at twenty-five cents. R.

On Sunday evening, December 18, the choir will sing P. A. Schaecker's Cantata on "The Coming of the Lord." This short but melodious work is for chorus and solos by the four voices.

The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, 205 West Upsal street.

We had the pleasure of having with us as speaker Mrs. Hewson, who is so deeply interested in hospital work among the poor white people of the mountainous districts of North Carolina.

There was an unusual number of the members of the Auxiliary present, and this, with the hospitality of the hostess and the interesting speaker, will certainly make this one of the red-letter meetings of the year.

The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Baremore, 6439 Jefferson street, on January 4. The speaker of the afternoon will be Miss Anne Hubbard. It is earnestly hoped that all the women of the Parish will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear Miss Hubbard and also enjoy the afternoon with the members.

L. J. J., Sec'y.

Rev. Dr. Perry at Christ Church

On Sunday morning, January 15, a missionary service will be held in the church, when the sermon will be preached by the Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D. D., Rector Emeritus of Calvary Church, Germantown, and a member of the General Board of Missions of the Church. Dr. Perry has been a member of the Board of Missions for many years, and no one is better qualified to give an account of the general missionary work of the Church than he. It is hoped that this opportunity of learning of the great work that is being done for missions throughout the world will be improved by all our people. The annual offering for foreign missions will be taken on that Sunday.

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Confirmation.

The Bishop of the Diocese has notified the Rector that he has appointed the fifth Sunday evening in Lent for Confirmation in Christ Church. A course of instructions in confirmation and the teachings of the Church will be begun in January. The date of the first instruction will be announced later from the chancel. All who are contemplating Confirmation or desire information in regard to the subject are urged to give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to furnish any person with literature on the subject.

Sunday School Christmas Entertainment.

On Holy Innocents' Day, December 28, the Sunday School will hold its Christmas entertainment in the Parish House. The Primary Department entertainment will be held in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the Christmas presents will be given out by a live Santa Claus.

The upper schools will hold their entertainment in the evening, at 8 o'clock.

Parents and friends of the school are invited to join with the children in these entertainments and also at the Christmas carol service, to be held in the church on Christmas night, at half-past seven.

The Editors take this opportunity to gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a most generous gift from Mr. J. N. Canfield. Coming at this time the contribution will go far toward relieving us of anxiety as to finances. Subscriptions have also been received since our last issue from Miss Raynor and from a friend, whose name we are requested to withhold.

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Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

Lay Reader, JAMES H. RITTER

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

The Epiphany season, through which we now are passing, is intended to emphasize the world-wide mission of Christianity. The word "Epiphany" is from the Greek word which means "manifestation," and was first used for Christmas Day, when our Lord was manifested in the flesh, and also when He was manifested by a star to the Gentiles.

The principal design of the Church in observing this season is that her members may show their gratitude to God in manifesting the Gospel to the heathen world and vouchsafing to it equal privileges with the Jews, who had hitherto been the chosen people. Hence this Epiphany season is the season for extraordinary missionary endeavor. Love to God and love to man is the essential work of the Gospel. We often speak of a "missionary spirit," as if it were the peculiarity of a few in the church; if so, these few are the only real Christians, for the spirit of Jesus Christ was a missionary spirit first and last. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." And Christ's last command to His disciples was, "Go, teach ALL NATIONS, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

The Rector desires to make a request of the congregation, and it is this: That, whilst the prayer is being said by the clergy in the Sacristy, before the beginning of the processional hymn, every one in the congregation should kneel in prayer. The object of this prayer is to invoke the blessing of God on all who take part in the solemn service that is to follow. Let every one, therefore, reverently kneel whilst this prayer is being said and offer up a prayer to God for those who minister and those who worship here.

And as we should enter into the service of God in the spirit of prayer, so should we enter into every good work, whether it be business or social or religious, in the spirit of prayer. Realize what God has given you to do TO-DAY and ask His blessing on that work, and do not look beyond it. Strength is promised according to your day, but not according to your to-morrow. Every-day work requires every-day grace and every-day grace requires every-day asking. The neglect to do this is the secret of many a discouragement, many a failure. Whatever your work is, take it first to God. Before you begin, kneel and implore His blessing. Ask Him for a hopeful, diligent spirit. Ask Him for a spirit of patience and charity in contending

with all the little wearisome difficulties and annoyances connected with it. Ask Him not only to bear the daily cross, but to take it up willingly, denying yourself and following the footsteps of Jesus. Then put your whole might to it—the might that you have received from a Mightier than yourself—for that is the secret of real work, real success and real happiness. Do your work, whatever it may be, as if your Master were at your side, and you saw His face and felt His presence.

As noted in another column, the Bishop has appointed the fifth Sunday in Lent for Confirmation in Christ Church. We believe it to be the duty of every professing Christian, as soon as he is old enough to know the difference between right and wrong, to be confirmed. Confirmation is not to be looked upon as a matter of opinion, or as a convenience, or an act of supererogation.

The Episcopal Church lays stress on the fact that the Bible sets forth Confirmation as among the fundamentals of the Christian religion.

"As every science has its principles—so has Christianity. Among these principles St. Paul reckons Confirmation (Heb. 6: 1 and 2). As every superstructure has its foundation, so has that of the Christian character and the Godly life. Among the foundations of religious things St. Paul classes confirmation (same chapter). In these verses six things are enumerated; and as we value the other five, even so do we the sixth.

"And thus it was in the early Church—St. Paul, St. Peter and St. John all administered the rite of Confirmation—the laying-on-of-hands, with prayer—even so, to-day, do their successors, the Apostles (now called Bishops) of the later Church. St. Philip preached and baptized, and Sts. Peter and John confirmed his converts. The Apostles were all at that time in Jerusalem (Acts 8: 14), and "they sent Peter and John" to Samaria to confirm Philip's baptized; and so, it is plain, the

custom of confirming has the very fullest Apostolic authority and approval.

"After the death of the Apostles the custom was continual. Tertullian (A. D. 175), Cyprian (A. D. 250), Jerome (A. D. 375) all speak of it. And for 1500 years, down to the Reformation, there was no other mode of perfecting membership in the Church. To-day the many millions of 'Episcopalians' that are scattered over the face of the globe adhere to the Apostolic custom.

"As the Lord's Prayer is an epitome of synagogue prayers; as the Lord's Supper is a Jewish custom dedicated to Christian use; as the number of Apostles corresponds to the number of tribes; as Baptism takes the place of Circumcision—so Confirmation rose out of a rite already existing. It was the flower of which that was the bud. Our Lord, we know, publicly presented Himself, at twelve, in the temple. Let us not forget, either, that between the Lord's Resurrection and His Ascension were 'forty days'; and that these six weeks He spent with His Apostles, teaching them things 'pertaining to the kingdom' of His Church. What the Apostles did, then, we believe they did under His instruction.

"As most of our own flocks are baptized in infancy, Confirmation is required to complete, in the mind of the recipient, his infant Baptism. The party now ratifies and 'confirms' his baptismal promises. For those, also, who come to us from other Christian bodies some form of public reception is needed. Hence the custom of the 'laying-on-of-hands' (both in the ancient form of blessing), commends itself, for beauty and suitability, to both these classes of persons. And so the Church requires it of all. Let us not fear that God will fail of His part of the Covenant. He will 'defend you with His heavenly grace.' We might fear, if we had only ourselves to rely on. But the Holy Ghost is promised us. We shall be daily renewed by Him, as we have need. God's fatherly hand is, and will ever be, over us."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild	2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club	Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th	
Tuesday	8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd	
Wednesday	8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild	1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting	Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th	
Monday	8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society	Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,	
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays,	7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),	
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.	
Mothers' Meeting	Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting	1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study	Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's	
Auxiliary)	1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary	Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

Church Calendar

January 22—Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 25—Conversion of St. Paul
January 29—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 5—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 12—Septuagesima
February 19—Sexagesima

About two-thirds of all the communicants of the Parish received the Holy Communion on Christmas Day. But where was the other third!

An interesting Missionary Service was held in Christ Church on Sunday morning, January 15, at which time a forceful and inspiring sermon was preached by the Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D. D. The offering was for foreign missions. The Rector had distributed among the congregation a number of copies of the "Spirit of Missions," the official missionary organ of the Church, and asked the members to subscribe to it in order that all may have an intelligent knowledge of the great missionary work that is being done throughout the world. The subscription price of this very interesting and instructive magazine is only one dollar, and it is hoped that every member of the Parish will subscribe for it. No intelligent churchman can afford to be without it.

Payment or Gift? Which?

It is hard to change old ideas. It is far from easy to follow the wise counsel:

"Be not the first by whom the new are tried,

Nor yet the last to lay the old aside."

Too many of us find it easier to obey the first line rather than the second.

Now the point is that within the last two or three years an entirely new view has been developed of church support, and it is decidedly uncomfortable for us to find that the new view is undoubtedly in line with the teachings of the Master and, therefore, right.

Now what are these conflicting views?

The old idea of church support was that if our church expenses were all paid during the year, so that we came to the end of our fiscal term free of debt and without "passing the hat around," that we were doing well. This was an easy view; we assumed that in supporting the church, paying salaries, maintaining a choir, defraying the cost of heating, light, repairs and the sexton's wages that we could call ourselves "good and profitable servants."

Unfortunately, this complacency is scattered to the four winds by the new idea, which is that paying the expenses of a comfortable place of worship for ourselves is largely selfishness, and that a true idea of duty and privilege will cause us to contribute to outside objects, such as missions and other benevolences, at least as much as we selfishly spend upon ourselves.

This idea is rapidly winning its way into favor, and to-day the progressive church aims to give at least as much away as it spends upon itself. The honor roll of such churches is rapidly growing, and the names of many could be given, but for the present we shall only speak of one of our sister churches here in Germantown, which, in 1910, raised \$28,000 in all, of which \$10,000 was spent for their own expenses and \$18,000 given away. What a magnificent record and how much nearer the spirit of our Lord's teaching.

What would this mean for Christ Church? Our annual expenses are about \$7000, nearly all of which is spent for our own spiritual and religious comfort. How fine it would be if we could put ourselves in the position of giving away an equal amount. Does this seem impossible? Other churches are doing it, more and more of them every year. Let us make this our goal, as it already is our privilege.

J. H. R.

The annual amount apportioned to Christ Church by the Board of Missions for the support of the General Mission work of the Church is \$1200. This sum is a pro rata apportionment based on the current expenses of each parish. The \$1200 which our Parish is asked to give annually toward the support of the Missions includes all offerings received for Missions from the Sunday School, the Woman's Auxiliary, from the services in the church and from individuals, except the amounts contributed for special missionary purposes and so designated. In other words, all offerings for General Missions (domestic and foreign) received from this Parish are credited to the apportionment of Christ Church. All offerings designated for special fields of missionary work are not credited to the apportionment of this Parish. The duty of the members of this Parish is therefore very clear. Every parishioner should contribute generously, first, to meet the amount apportioned to this Parish (\$1200), and after this annual apportionment is met their special fields of missionary work may be supported.

A large number of strangers have been attending the services at Christ Church during the past three months. Strangers are always most welcome to the services, and the ushers will be pleased to show them to seats. Persons who desire to rent pews or sittings in Christ Church are invited to confer with the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed by letter at 117 West Upsal street, Germantown.

When Do We Begin the Erection of Our New Parish House?

This is now a frequent question, and your committee wish to answer it frankly, as we are most desirous that every member of the congregation and Sunday School should be interested in the work and acquainted with the progress made.

Two things are necessary before we can commence building:

First. We must have a definite plan. Bear in mind that the plans now displayed are only tentative and suggestive. There are wide differences of views about the interior plans of the new building, and before any work can begin we must agree on a plan. Suggestions have been requested, but, so far, the committee has not received a single criticism or suggestion from any one. Of course it will not be possible to agree on any plan which will please all. We can only hope to harmonize suggestions so as to suit the largest number, so send us your ideas in writing and we shall do the best we can.

Let us, however, give one word of caution: Don't expect our Parish House to be a thoroughly equipped rival of large public institutions. No single parish can successfully compete with public means. All we can hope is to evolve a building modern in every way and suitable for parish work as it is done to-day.

Second. As stated, we expect the building to cost \$10,000, and we hope to begin to build when we have \$5000 cash. We know you will be pleased to learn we now have \$2700 cash on hand, with a little more promised. We are very hopeful the remaining \$2300 can be obtained in the near future—largely, perhaps, at Easter—and, if so, work may begin this year. If possible, we should like to have the new building in time for next winter's work.

We are now nearing our goal. Much hard work has been done by those interested to raise money, and your committee know personally of most noble self-sacrifice made by several of our members who, while poor in this

world's goods, are rich in generosity and self-sacrifice. With more evidences of such a spirit we shall soon be enjoying the comforts and conveniences of our new Parish House.

Confirmation.

The Bishop has appointed the fifth Sunday in Lent for Confirmation. Confirmation classes are now forming, and all who desire to be confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector. Confirmation lectures will begin on Friday evening, January 27, and Sunday afternoon, February 5, and continue every Friday evening at eight o'clock and every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock until the Bishop's Visitation. All persons who desire to be informed on the subject of Confirmation and the services of the Episcopal Church are invited to attend either of these lectures.

Attendance at these lectures will not commit any one to be confirmed.

The Rector has appointed Mr. C. H. Loutrel and Mr. H. L. Benerman in charge of the Boys' Club. This club meets every Saturday night, in the Parish House, and at present is in a flourishing condition. All boys over fourteen years of age are eligible for membership and are invited to join the club. Come around and be one of us, boys, and enjoy yourselves. The boys are looking forward to the enlarged Parish House, when they may have a room to enjoy their games, etc.

Reports continue to come in telling of the spread of the spiritual awakening in the Chinese Empire. A native pastor in the interior of the province of Shantung tells of remarkable awakenings at several mission stations and the ingathering of converts. He states that at a large assemblage at one church the Holy Spirit came in a manner resembling the Day of Pentecost. In another place fifty-four new members have been added to the church. In the college at Weihsien all but four of the two hundred students are now enrolled on the Lord's side.

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EDITORIAL

In addition to the lists already pub-
lished, the Business Editor reports that
subscriptions have been received from
Miss M. J. Bryan, Miss E. Raynor,
Mrs. B. E. Chase, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. E.
J. Weeks and Mrs. G. M. Crowder.

The response to our appeals has
been very gratifying, and it is hoped
that the few subscriptions still needed
will be shortly received.

The platform in the south transept
of the church and the side altar have
been lowered preparatory to the erec-
tion of a memorial altar screen, which
it is expected will be completed by the
fore part of Lent.

The Parish suffers a distinct loss in
the resignation of Mr. Broadhead as
bass soloist in our choir. During the
several years of his association with us
he has not only pleased our ears with
the quality of his singing, but has
gained many personal friends. The
Editors, in the name of our people,
wish him God-speed in his new home
in Virginia.

The attendance at the sessions of
our Sunday School is giving those in
charge of the work very serious con-
cern. The Secretary has reported that
the number present averages but fifty-
one per cent. of the enrollment. If this
were peculiar to our Parish we would
be forced to the conclusion that we
were not doing our part in the work;
but as this same condition exists in
other Sunday schools in Germantown,
the fault must partly be with the
scholars and the parents.

The Sunday School is where a child
is supposed to receive its education in
churchly matters, just as the day
school is where he or she receives in-
struction in secular affairs; and it is as
much a parent's duty, yes, even more
so, to see that the child attends school
as regularly on Sunday as on the other
days of the week. The teachers are
anxious and willing to do their part.
Will not the parents of our children
think over this matter and act as their
hearts say they should?

Josh Billings has said, in one of his
writings: "Konsider the postage
stamp, my son; its usefulness konsists
in its ability to stick to one thing until
it gets there." Some time ago this
Parish was much agitated over the
question of the improvements to our
workshop, and ideas and opinions were
freely expressed. Now the committee
states that it has not received even one
suggestion in reply to its appeal of
some months since. Let us get back
to the original question and "stick to
it until we get there." The time will
not be nearly so long as some are in-
clined to think.

The offering for the Aged and In-
firm Clergy on Christmas amounted to
\$207.55. This amount will be divided
between the Diocesan Fund for In-
firm Clergy and the General Fund.

Car Barn and Lenten Services.

A very interesting work is being car-
ried on by the local Chapters of the
Brotherhood of St. Andrew at the Pel-
ham Car Barn. Each Sunday after-
noon at 2 o'clock a simple service, con-
sisting of hymns, prayers and a short
address, is held for the benefit of the
trolleyemen.

That these services are appreciated
by the men is evident from the great
change in their attitude since the meet-
ings started, several months ago. At
that time little or no attention was
paid, the men continued talking and
smoking and moved about with no at-
tempt at quietness. Now little or no
unnecessary interruptions occur, al-
though the men are coming and going
continually; and it is the exception for
a man to wear his cap, even when pass-
ing through the room in which the
services are held.

Speakers can be used and, in fact,
are needed, to avoid calling upon the
same ones so often. A cordial invita-
tion is extended to any who are in-
terested in this sort of work, to attend
some of these services. It will encour-
age those in charge and will let the
trolleyemen know that some one has an
interest in them.

Another work which will be in-
augurated this year will be "DAILY
NOON-DAY LENTEN SERVICES"
similar to those held every year at the
Garrick Theatre. Full details have not
been completed, but the services will
probably be held in the new German-
town Theatre. The list of speakers is
almost complete and contains the
names of some very prominent men.

The Brotherhood, however, will be
compelled to call upon the men and
women of the various parishes for sup-
port. The majority of the Brother-
hood men are engaged in business in
the city and so will be unable to be
present. If the services are to be suc-
cessful it will depend largely on the
church people of Germantown. It is
not too early to spread the news
abroad. Try to influence your friends
to attend, and be on hand yourself at
every opportunity!

More complete details will be an-
nounced later, but every one is asked
to bear these services in mind and be-
gin talking and working now.

Sunday School.

The January meeting of the teach-
ers and officers of the Sunday School
was held in the Parish House on
Monday evening, the 9th. It was
what might be called a "criticism
meeting," that is, each one was sup-
posed to criticize himself or herself
and also his or her associates in the
work, and those present entered into
the spirit of the game with a vim.
First, a seeming fault in the school
work was recognized, and then the
reason for it was sought and an effort
was made to suggest a remedy. In
this way many points were discussed
and much valuable and friendly criti-
cism was had.

The question of instruction, which
is, of course, the first in importance,
came in for much discussion, and the
system now in use was talked over
both pro and con, with the result that
a committee was appointed to investi-
gate the various systems in use in
other schools and report at the Feb-
ruary meeting.

After the business of the meeting
had been transacted light refreshments
were served and the meeting adjourned.
It was a very pleasant and profit-
able evening and it is hoped that prac-
tical good will result from the even-
ing's discussion.

Choir Notes.

Mr. Broadhead has resigned from
the choir. The members of that body
and no doubt his many friends in the
church will miss his presence in the
chancel, where he has done such com-
mendable work.

A surprise was tendered the choir
on Friday evening, December 30,
when, after a short rehearsal, refresh-
ments, consisting of ice cream, cake
and coffee, were served. A most en-
joyable time was spent and all ap-
preciated Mr. Broadhead's kindness in
giving us such a pleasant evening.

Sunday evening, January 8, was Mr. Broadhead's last service as a chorister of Christ Church, as he is leaving the city to reside in Virginia. After the service Mr. Rile, on behalf of the choir, presented Mr. Broadhead with a brass-mounted mission bookrack and gold-mounted briar pipe as a mark of esteem. He carries with him the best wishes of all for happiness and success.

The last of the series of piano duet and song recitals was held Wednesday evening, January 11. Besides the regular soloists engaged to sing, Mr. Broadhead closed the recital, singing the song, "The Light of Other Days," dedicated to Mr. Broadhead by the composer, the choirmaster.

Mr. Fred. Guthrie is filling Mr. Broadhead's place as bass soloist.

Miss Kathryn Meisle has been engaged as contralto soloist, filling the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Stinson.

The choirmaster wishes to express through "The Chimes" his sincere thanks and praise to the members of the choir for the splendid support given him in the work during the past year. The regular attendance and the earnest desire of all to do the best possible has been most gratifying. The choir has fully merited the words of approval bestowed on it at numerous times by different ones in the church, both personally and by letter to the choirmaster.

T. H. H.

The American Board has issued a leaflet on "The New Mission Hospital, Madura, India." It gives the marvelous details of how native princes, high officials and lawyers gave their time, money and services in fully equipping the beautiful building for medical missionary service.

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Men's Club.

The meeting of the Men's Club of Christ Church which will be held on Friday evening, the 27th of January, will be the Annual Meeting, and a large attendance of the men of the Parish is especially desired. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place and other important business will be transacted.

The plans for the social part of the evening are not yet matured, but a good time is promised all who are present. Some prominent man or men from the city will speak, and other pleasant entertainment will be provided. Definite announcement will be made later.

The Men's Club is intended to embrace every man residing in our Parish, and every adult male member of this church should be connected with this organization.

The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting on January 4, at the home of Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, on Locust avenue.

Miss Hubbard addressed the meeting on the "Apportionment Plan" and made clear the obligation of meeting our "apportionment" before giving to "special" calls from the mission field. The "apportionment" is to meet expenses that the Board of Missions is already obligated for, and every parish should feel a responsibility for meeting their "apportionment."

After the address the members had a very pleasant social time and appreciated very much Mrs. Topliffe Johnson's kind hospitality.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 1, announcement of which will be made later as to the speaker and place of meeting.

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The Christ Church branch of the Junior Auxiliary meets every Friday afternoon, at 3.45, in the Parish House. The leaders in charge are Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Miss Ruth Henderson, Miss Emily Payne and Miss Ruth Norbom.

The officers are:

President, Miss Eleanor Lawrence.

Secretary, Miss Dorothy Roland.

Treasurer, Miss Frances O'Brien.

We have an average attendance of nineteen.

The older girls are making an outfit for a little Indian girl of the Rosebud Reservation, and hope to have it ready when their school building is rebuilt (it having been destroyed by fire) and ready for occupancy, next September.

The little girls are busy making picture books and will soon take up other work to go in some of the boxes we purpose sending away during the year.

The children contribute what little they can each week, and this, with what we can get together from our own efforts and the generosity of our friends, goes toward our fund for supplies, so here let me say that any contribution, however small, would be most thankfully received.

We would also welcome new members and would be so glad to have our

organization and work made known to every girl in the Sunday School.

L. J. J.

Miss Bird, who is now in London from Uganda, says that two thousand natives have gone forth into the villages as evangelists. Not only had ex-King Mwanga become a Christian before his death and taught his wife about Christ, but his mother also was converted.

Japan now has 1500 daily newspapers and periodicals. The Japan Times of Tokyo is printed in English, but it is produced exclusively by Japanese. An editor in Tokyo offered prizes for original poems, and 600 were filled with Christian sentiments, and many who won prizes were professing Christians.

Let none hear you idly saying,

"There is nothing I can do,"

While the souls of men are dying,

And the Master calls for you:

Take the task he gives you gladly;

Let his work your pleasure be;

Answer quickly when he calleth,

"Here am I, send me, send me."

—E. F. H.

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Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

Lay Reader, JAMES H. RITTER

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

The Epiphany season, through which we now are passing, is intended to emphasize the world-wide mission of Christianity. The word "Epiphany" is from the Greek word which means "manifestation," and was first used for Christmas Day, when our Lord was manifested in the flesh, and also when He was manifested by a star to the Gentiles.

The principal design of the Church in observing this season is that her members may show their gratitude to God in manifesting the Gospel to the heathen world and vouchsafing to it equal privileges with the Jews, who had hitherto been the chosen people. Hence this Epiphany season is the season for extraordinary missionary endeavor. Love to God and love to man is the essential work of the Gospel. We often speak of a "missionary spirit," as if it were the peculiarity of a few in the church; if so, these few are the only real Christians, for the spirit of Jesus Christ was a missionary spirit first and last. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." And Christ's last command to His disciples was, "Go, teach ALL NATIONS, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

The Rector desires to make a request of the congregation, and it is this: That, whilst the prayer is being said by the clergy in the Sacristy, before the beginning of the processional hymn, every one in the congregation should kneel in prayer. The object of this prayer is to invoke the blessing of God on all who take part in the solemn service that is to follow. Let every one, therefore, reverently kneel whilst this prayer is being said and offer up a prayer to God for those who minister and those who worship here.

And as we should enter into the service of God in the spirit of prayer, so should we enter into every good work, whether it be business or social or religious, in the spirit of prayer. Realize what God has given you to do TO-DAY and ask His blessing on that work, and do not look beyond it. Strength is promised according to your day, but not according to your to-morrow. Every-day work requires every-day grace and every-day grace requires every-day asking. The neglect to do this is the secret of many a discouragement, many a failure. Whatever your work is, take it first to God. Before you begin, kneel and implore His blessing. Ask Him for a hopeful, diligent spirit. Ask Him for a spirit of patience and charity in contending

with all the little wearisome difficulties and annoyances connected with it. Ask Him not only to bear the daily cross, but to take it up willingly, denying yourself and following the footsteps of Jesus. Then put your whole might to it—the might that you have received from a Mightier than yourself—for that is the secret of real work, real success and real happiness. Do your work, whatever it may be, as if your Master were at your side, and you saw His face and felt His presence.

As noted in another column, the Bishop has appointed the fifth Sunday in Lent for Confirmation in Christ Church. We believe it to be the duty of every professing Christian, as soon as he is old enough to know the difference between right and wrong, to be confirmed. Confirmation is not to be looked upon as a matter of opinion, or as a convenience, or an act of supererogation.

The Episcopal Church lays stress on the fact that the Bible sets forth Confirmation as among the fundamentals of the Christian religion.

"As every science has its principles—so has Christianity. Among these principles St. Paul reckons Confirmation (Heb. 6: 1 and 2). As every superstructure has its foundation, so has that of the Christian character and the Godly life. Among the foundations of religious things St. Paul classes confirmation (same chapter). In these verses six things are enumerated; and as we value the other five, even so do we the sixth.

"And thus it was in the early Church—St. Paul, St. Peter and St. John all administered the rite of Confirmation—the laying-on-of-hands, with prayer—even so, to-day, do their successors, the Apostles (now called Bishops) of the later Church. St. Philip preached and baptized, and Sts. Peter and John confirmed his converts. The Apostles were all at that time in Jerusalem (Acts 8: 14), and "they sent Peter and John" to Samaria to confirm Philip's baptized; and so, it is plain, the

custom of confirming has the very fullest Apostolic authority and approval.

"After the death of the Apostles the custom was continual. Tertullian (A. D. 175), Cyprian (A. D. 250), Jerome (A. D. 375) all speak of it. And for 1500 years, down to the Reformation, there was no other mode of perfecting membership in the Church. To-day the many millions of 'Episcopalians' that are scattered over the face of the globe adhere to the Apostolic custom.

"As the Lord's Prayer is an epitome of synagogue prayers; as the Lord's Supper is a Jewish custom dedicated to Christian use; as the number of Apostles corresponds to the number of tribes; as Baptism takes the place of Circumcision—so Confirmation rose out of a rite already existing. It was the flower of which that was the bud. Our Lord, we know, publicly presented Himself, at twelve, in the temple. Let us not forget, either, that between the Lord's Resurrection and His Ascension were 'forty days'; and that these six weeks He spent with His Apostles, teaching them things 'pertaining to the kingdom' of His Church. What the Apostles did, then, we believe they did under His instruction.

"As most of our own flocks are baptized in infancy, Confirmation is required to complete, in the mind of the recipient, his infant Baptism. The party now ratifies and 'confirms' his baptismal promises. For those, also, who come to us from other Christian bodies some form of public reception is needed. Hence the custom of the 'laying-on-of-hands' (both in the ancient form of blessing), commends itself, for beauty and suitability, to both these classes of persons. And so the Church requires it of all. Let us not fear that God will fail of His part of the Covenant. He will 'defend you with His heavenly grace.' We might fear, if we had only ourselves to rely on. But the Holy Ghost is promised us. We shall be daily renewed by Him, as we have need. God's fatherly hand is, and will ever be, over us."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild	2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club	Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th	
Tuesday	8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd	
Wednesday	8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild	1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting	Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th	
Monday	8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society	Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,	
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays,	7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),	
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.	
Mothers' Meeting	Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting	1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study	Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's	
Auxiliary)	1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary	Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

Church Calendar

January 22—Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 25—Conversion of St. Paul
January 29—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 5—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 12—Septuagesima
February 19—Sexagesima

About two-thirds of all the communicants of the Parish received the Holy Communion on Christmas Day. But where was the other third!

An interesting Missionary Service was held in Christ Church on Sunday morning, January 15, at which time a forceful and inspiring sermon was preached by the Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D. D. The offering was for foreign missions. The Rector had distributed among the congregation a number of copies of the "Spirit of Missions," the official missionary organ of the Church, and asked the members to subscribe to it in order that all may have an intelligent knowledge of the great missionary work that is being done throughout the world. The subscription price of this very interesting and instructive magazine is only one dollar, and it is hoped that every member of the Parish will subscribe for it. No intelligent churchman can afford to be without it.

Payment or Gift? Which?

It is hard to change old ideas. It is far from easy to follow the wise counsel:

"Be not the first by whom the new are tried,
Nor yet the last to lay the old aside."

Too many of us find it easier to obey the first line rather than the second.

Now the point is that within the last two or three years an entirely new view has been developed of church support, and it is decidedly uncomfortable for us to find that the new view is undoubtedly in line with the teachings of the Master and, therefore, right.

Now what are these conflicting views?

The old idea of church support was that if our church expenses were all paid during the year, so that we came to the end of our fiscal term free of debt and without "passing the hat around," that we were doing well. This was an easy view; we assumed that in supporting the church, paying salaries, maintaining a choir, defraying the cost of heating, light, repairs and the sexton's wages that we could call ourselves "good and profitable servants."

Unfortunately, this complacency is scattered to the four winds by the new idea, which is that paying the expenses of a comfortable place of worship for ourselves is largely selfishness, and that a true idea of duty and privilege will cause us to contribute to outside objects, such as missions and other benevolences, at least as much as we selfishly spend upon ourselves.

This idea is rapidly winning its way into favor, and to-day the progressive church aims to give at least as much away as it spends upon itself. The honor roll of such churches is rapidly growing, and the names of many could be given, but for the present we shall only speak of one of our sister churches here in Germantown, which, in 1910, raised \$28,000 in all, of which \$10,000 was spent for their own expenses and \$18,000 given away. What a magnificent record and how much nearer the spirit of our Lord's teaching.

What would this mean for Christ Church? Our annual expenses are about \$7000, nearly all of which is spent for our own spiritual and religious comfort. How fine it would be if we could put ourselves in the position of giving away an equal amount. Does this seem impossible? Other churches are doing it, more and more of them every year. Let us make this our goal, as it already is our privilege.

J. H. R.

The annual amount apportioned to Christ Church by the Board of Missions for the support of the General Mission work of the Church is \$1200. This sum is a pro rata apportionment based on the current expenses of each parish. The \$1200 which our Parish is asked to give annually toward the support of the Missions includes all offerings received for Missions from the Sunday School, the Woman's Auxiliary, from the services in the church and from individuals, except the amounts contributed for special missionary purposes and so designated. In other words, all offerings for General Missions (domestic and foreign) received from this Parish are credited to the apportionment of Christ Church. All offerings designated for special fields of missionary work are not credited to the apportionment of this Parish. The duty of the members of this Parish is therefore very clear. Every parishioner should contribute generously, first, to meet the amount apportioned to this Parish (\$1200), and after this annual apportionment is met their special fields of missionary work may be supported.

A large number of strangers have been attending the services at Christ Church during the past three months. Strangers are always most welcome to the services, and the ushers will be pleased to show them to seats. Persons who desire to rent pews or sittings in Christ Church are invited to confer with the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed by letter at 117 West Upsal street, Germantown.

When Do We Begin the Erection of Our New Parish House?

This is now a frequent question, and your committee wish to answer it frankly, as we are most desirous that every member of the congregation and Sunday School should be interested in the work and acquainted with the progress made.

Two things are necessary before we can commence building:

First. We must have a definite plan. Bear in mind that the plans now displayed are only tentative and suggestive. There are wide differences of views about the interior plans of the new building, and before any work can begin we must agree on a plan. Suggestions have been requested, but, so far, the committee has not received a single criticism or suggestion from any one. Of course it will not be possible to agree on any plan which will please all. We can only hope to harmonize suggestions so as to suit the largest number, so send us your ideas in writing and we shall do the best we can.

Let us, however, give one word of caution: Don't expect our Parish House to be a thoroughly equipped rival of large public institutions. No single parish can successfully compete with public means. All we can hope is to evolve a building modern in every way and suitable for parish work as it is done to-day.

Second. As stated, we expect the building to cost \$10,000, and we hope to begin to build when we have \$5000 cash. We know you will be pleased to learn we now have \$2700 cash on hand, with a little more promised. We are very hopeful the remaining \$2300 can be obtained in the near future—largely, perhaps, at Easter—and, if so, work may begin this year. If possible, we should like to have the new building in time for next winter's work.

We are now nearing our goal. Much hard work has been done by those interested to raise money, and your committee know personally of most noble self-sacrifice made by several of our members who, while poor in this

world's goods, are rich in generosity and self-sacrifice. With more evidences of such a spirit we shall soon be enjoying the comforts and conveniences of our new Parish House.

Confirmation.

The Bishop has appointed the fifth Sunday in Lent for Confirmation. Confirmation classes are now forming, and all who desire to be confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector. Confirmation lectures will begin on Friday evening, January 27, and Sunday afternoon, February 5, and continue every Friday evening at eight o'clock and every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock until the Bishop's Visitation. All persons who desire to be informed on the subject of Confirmation and the services of the Episcopal Church are invited to attend either of these lectures.

Attendance at these lectures will not commit any one to be confirmed.

The Rector has appointed Mr. C. H. Loutrel and Mr. H. L. Benerman in charge of the Boys' Club. This club meets every Saturday night, in the Parish House, and at present is in a flourishing condition. All boys over fourteen years of age are eligible for membership and are invited to join the club. Come around and be one of us, boys, and enjoy yourselves. The boys are looking forward to the enlarged Parish House, when they may have a room to enjoy their games, etc.

Reports continue to come in telling of the spread of the spiritual awakening in the Chinese Empire. A native pastor in the interior of the province of Shantung tells of remarkable awakenings at several mission stations and the ingathering of converts. He states that at a large assemblage at one church the Holy Spirit came in a manner resembling the Day of Pentecost. In another place fifty-four new members have been added to the church. In the college at Weihsien all but four of the two hundred students are now enrolled on the Lord's side.

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EDITORIAL

In addition to the lists already pub-
lished, the Business Editor reports that
subscriptions have been received from
Miss M. J. Bryan, Miss E. Raynor,
Mrs. B. E. Chase, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. E.
J. Weeks and Mrs. G. M. Crowder.

The response to our appeals has
been very gratifying, and it is hoped
that the few subscriptions still needed
will be shortly received.

The platform in the south transept
of the church and the side altar have
been lowered preparatory to the erec-
tion of a memorial altar screen, which
it is expected will be completed by the
fore part of Lent.

The Parish suffers a distinct loss in
the resignation of Mr. Broadhead as
bass soloist in our choir. During the
several years of his association with us
he has not only pleased our ears with
the quality of his singing, but has
gained many personal friends. The
Editors, in the name of our people,
wish him God-speed in his new home
in Virginia.

The attendance at the sessions of
our Sunday School is giving those in
charge of the work very serious con-
cern. The Secretary has reported that
the number present averages but fifty-
one per cent. of the enrollment. If this
were peculiar to our Parish we would
be forced to the conclusion that we
were not doing our part in the work;
but as this same condition exists in
other Sunday schools in Germantown,
the fault must partly be with the
scholars and the parents.

The Sunday School is where a child
is supposed to receive its education in
churchly matters, just as the day
school is where he or she receives in-
struction in secular affairs; and it is as
much a parent's duty, yes, even more
so, to see that the child attends school
as regularly on Sunday as on the other
days of the week. The teachers are
anxious and willing to do their part.
Will not the parents of our children
think over this matter and act as their
hearts say they should?

Josh Billings has said, in one of his
writings: "Konsider the postage
stamp, my son; its usefulness konsists
in its ability to stick to one thing until
it gets there." Some time ago this
Parish was much agitated over the
question of the improvements to our
workshop, and ideas and opinions were
freely expressed. Now the committee
states that it has not received even one
suggestion in reply to its appeal of
some months since. Let us get back
to the original question and "stick to
it until we get there." The time will
not be nearly so long as some are in-
clined to think.

The offering for the Aged and In-
firm Clergy on Christmas amounted to
\$207.55. This amount will be divided
between the Diocesan Fund for In-
firm Clergy and the General Fund.

Car Barn and Lenten Services.

A very interesting work is being car-
ried on by the local Chapters of the
Brotherhood of St. Andrew at the Pel-
ham Car Barn. Each Sunday after-
noon at 2 o'clock a simple service, con-
sisting of hymns, prayers and a short
address, is held for the benefit of the
trolleyemen.

That these services are appreciated
by the men is evident from the great
change in their attitude since the meet-
ings started, several months ago. At
that time little or no attention was
paid, the men continued talking and
smoking and moved about with no at-
tempt at quietness. Now little or no
unnecessary interruptions occur, al-
though the men are coming and going
continually; and it is the exception for
a man to wear his cap, even when pass-
ing through the room in which the
services are held.

Speakers can be used and, in fact,
are needed, to avoid calling upon the
same ones so often. A cordial invita-
tion is extended to any who are in-
terested in this sort of work, to attend
some of these services. It will encour-
age those in charge and will let the
trolleyemen know that some one has an
interest in them.

Another work which will be in-
augurated this year will be "DAILY
NOON-DAY LENTEN SERVICES"
similar to those held every year at the
Garrick Theatre. Full details have not
been completed, but the services will
probably be held in the new German-
town Theatre. The list of speakers is
almost complete and contains the
names of some very prominent men.

The Brotherhood, however, will be
compelled to call upon the men and
women of the various parishes for sup-
port. The majority of the Brother-
hood men are engaged in business in
the city and so will be unable to be
present. If the services are to be suc-
cessful it will depend largely on the
church people of Germantown. It is
not too early to spread the news
abroad. Try to influence your friends
to attend, and be on hand yourself at
every opportunity!

More complete details will be an-
nounced later, but every one is asked
to bear these services in mind and be-
gin talking and working now.

Sunday School.

The January meeting of the teach-
ers and officers of the Sunday School
was held in the Parish House on
Monday evening, the 9th. It was
what might be called a "criticism
meeting," that is, each one was sup-
posed to criticize himself or herself
and also his or her associates in the
work, and those present entered into
the spirit of the game with a vim.
First, a seeming fault in the school
work was recognized, and then the
reason for it was sought and an effort
was made to suggest a remedy. In
this way many points were discussed
and much valuable and friendly criti-
cism was had.

The question of instruction, which
is, of course, the first in importance,
came in for much discussion, and the
system now in use was talked over
both pro and con, with the result that
a committee was appointed to investi-
gate the various systems in use in
other schools and report at the Feb-
ruary meeting.

After the business of the meeting
had been transacted light refreshments
were served and the meeting adjourned.
It was a very pleasant and profit-
able evening and it is hoped that prac-
tical good will result from the even-
ing's discussion.

Choir Notes.

Mr. Broadhead has resigned from
the choir. The members of that body
and no doubt his many friends in the
church will miss his presence in the
chancel, where he has done such com-
mendable work.

A surprise was tendered the choir
on Friday evening, December 30,
when, after a short rehearsal, refresh-
ments, consisting of ice cream, cake
and coffee, were served. A most en-
joyable time was spent and all ap-
preciated Mr. Broadhead's kindness in
giving us such a pleasant evening.

Sunday evening, January 8, was Mr. Broadhead's last service as a chorister of Christ Church, as he is leaving the city to reside in Virginia. After the service Mr. Rile, on behalf of the choir, presented Mr. Broadhead with a brass-mounted mission bookrack and gold-mounted briar pipe as a mark of esteem. He carries with him the best wishes of all for happiness and success.

The last of the series of piano duet and song recitals was held Wednesday evening, January 11. Besides the regular soloists engaged to sing, Mr. Broadhead closed the recital, singing the song, "The Light of Other Days," dedicated to Mr. Broadhead by the composer, the choirmaster.

Mr. Fred. Guthrie is filling Mr. Broadhead's place as bass soloist.

Miss Kathryn Meisle has been engaged as contralto soloist, filling the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Stinson.

The choirmaster wishes to express through "The Chimes" his sincere thanks and praise to the members of the choir for the splendid support given him in the work during the past year. The regular attendance and the earnest desire of all to do the best possible has been most gratifying. The choir has fully merited the words of approval bestowed on it at numerous times by different ones in the church, both personally and by letter to the choirmaster.

T. H. H.

The American Board has issued a leaflet on "The New Mission Hospital, Madura, India." It gives the marvelous details of how native princes, high officials and lawyers gave their time, money and services in fully equipping the beautiful building for medical missionary service.

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Men's Club.

The meeting of the Men's Club of Christ Church which will be held on Friday evening, the 27th of January, will be the Annual Meeting, and a large attendance of the men of the Parish is especially desired. The election of officers for the ensuing year will take place and other important business will be transacted.

The plans for the social part of the evening are not yet matured, but a good time is promised all who are present. Some prominent man or men from the city will speak, and other pleasant entertainment will be provided. Definite announcement will be made later.

The Men's Club is intended to embrace every man residing in our Parish, and every adult male member of this church should be connected with this organization.

The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting on January 4, at the home of Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, on Locust avenue.

Miss Hubbard addressed the meeting on the "Apportionment Plan" and made clear the obligation of meeting our "apportionment" before giving to "special" calls from the mission field. The "apportionment" is to meet expenses that the Board of Missions is already obligated for, and every parish should feel a responsibility for meeting their "apportionment."

After the address the members had a very pleasant social time and appreciated very much Mrs. Topliffe Johnson's kind hospitality.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 1, announcement of which will be made later as to the speaker and place of meeting.

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The officers are:

President, Miss Eleanor Lawrence.

Secretary, Miss Dorothy Roland.

Treasurer, Miss Frances O'Brien.

We have an average attendance of nineteen.

The older girls are making an outfit for a little Indian girl of the Rosebud Reservation, and hope to have it ready when their school building is rebuilt (it having been destroyed by fire) and ready for occupancy, next September.

The little girls are busy making picture books and will soon take up other work to go in some of the boxes we purpose sending away during the year.

The children contribute what little they can each week, and this, with what we can get together from our own efforts and the generosity of our friends, goes toward our fund for supplies, so here let me say that any contribution, however small, would be most thankfully received.

We would also welcome new members and would be so glad to have our

organization and work made known to every girl in the Sunday School.

L. J. J.

Miss Bird, who is now in London from Uganda, says that two thousand natives have gone forth into the villages as evangelists. Not only had ex-King Mwanga become a Christian before his death and taught his wife about Christ, but his mother also was converted.

Japan now has 1500 daily newspapers and periodicals. The Japan Times of Tokyo is printed in English, but it is produced exclusively by Japanese. An editor in Tokyo offered prizes for original poems, and 600 were filled with Christian sentiments, and many who won prizes were professing Christians.

Let none hear you idly saying,

"There is nothing I can do,"

While the souls of men are dying,

And the Master calls for you:

Take the task he gives you gladly;

Let his work your pleasure be;

Answer quickly when he calleth,

"Here am I, send me, send me."

—E. F. H.

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A Personal Letter From the Rector.
Christ Church Rectory,
Septuagesima, 1911.

My Dear Friends:—

As the Holy Season of Lent approaches the call of the Church sounds out loudly and plainly, urging upon the faithful to give more special heed to the soul's welfare by the use of such spiritual graces as fasting, prayer and giving of alms. That this sacred time of spiritual improvement, upon which we are about to enter, may be rich in its blessings and usefulness, the privilege and possibilities of Lent must be employed with a view to the permanent deepening and quickening of the spiritual life, the producing of a greater growth in grace, the insuring of a large self-conquest and the moulding of a heart more after the pattern of Christ.

In commemorating the great Fast of the Son of Man we must turn to it in the sacred conviction of duty and with the heartfelt desire to so imitate the example of Christ that we may walk with Him in the resistance of temptation, making an effort in His strength to put aside the sin which doth so easily beset us.

To make Lent a true wellspring of life to the soul we must, as loyal soldiers of the army of Christ, submit to the drilling of ourselves in spiritual graces the better fitted to continue our warfare against "the world, the flesh

and the devil." To avail ourselves of the opportunities of the coming Lenten days and to derive from them the advantages they were designed to accomplish we must form some plan for the honest and faithful use of our Lenten obligations, trying to be true to the purposes of Lent, which is a deeper consecration to God. We must have a definite Lenten rule, from which nothing but necessity shall turn us. An aimless Lent will prove a failure and be fruitless. As far as possible, the claims and duties of Lent must be put before everything else. We must have a self-discipline that is systematic, giving ourselves some special work to do in the way of self-denying deeds as shall enable us to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." To those who feel the need for deeper earnestness and a greater reality in their spiritual life, there is no better time in which to make the effort than this penitential season spread out before us, with its fruitful opportunities for discipline, usefulness and growth, where, by a closer communion with God and in coming in closer touch with the Holy Spirit, we shall strive to rise higher in spiritual things. Let us make an effort to be truly in earnest in getting all the spiritual benefits of Lent, as it passes by, so that the power for good which resides in this coming period of re-

newed and more faithful self-consecration shall not be in vain. Let us all strive to form such habits of active service for the Master as shall cling to us in the coming years. Let us make some willing sacrifice of time, heart and life and consecrate them to God in the contemplation of high and holy things. Let no small inconvenience or obstacle interfere with the church services. Let self-denial begin there and so spread over the whole compass of life. Do some real act of helpfulness, of true sympathy and Christian kindness, by increased activity in deeds of mercy and love in the spirit of Him Who went about doing good. Honor Christ by your frequent presence at the Holy Communion—"in memory of Him"—which is the greatest service of the soul's strengthening and refreshment. By an honest self-examination make preparation of the heart to receive the gracious influence of a well-spent Lent that will leave its mark of a deeper repentance, a wider charity, the lengthening of the chords of love, the gathering of strength to go on to better things.

Your friend and Rector,
CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

A Practical Lent.

One of the blessed privileges of Lent is its quiet. Each person can surely recall many a time in this strenuous age of ours when he was so rushed and so turmoiled in thought that he could scarcely rely upon his own judgment; it was almost impossible to decide calmly when everything was so hurried. Men and women in the whirl of social engagements, boys and girls in the excitement of their young lives are to-day under a tremendous pressure and nervous strain which is depressing both to their physical and their spiritual vitality. Now during these forty days of Lent the soul can be self-possessed and find its own. Social engagements and amusements and kindred interests will be laid aside. It is the part of good judgment to do this. There is not a physician who would not recommend this for nearly every one.

We all know how the water for our city water system is first brought into reservoirs, kept in comparative quiet for a time, so that all sediment may sink to the bottom, and only the clear, transparent water shall go to the people's homes. Such is Lent designed to be for the Christian—a calming-down time in the countless distractions about us, a purifying of our hearts and minds from the dross of the world life, a chance for the soul to be its own true self. How sadly we all need this opportunity!

Gardeners tell us that when troublesome weeds choke out the wholesome, nutritious growths, they are laboring to cultivate, the best and wisest way is to take some one weed, dig down to its very roots, to find that root twined up in a knot with the roots of other weeds. It seems to be characteristic of nature for roots of weeds thus to get together in a mass, just as the slimy, poisonous snakes of a marshy pool usually crawl into one repulsive coil. Get at one weed root and we usually get at the life-source of many impeding growths. Get at one great fault, also, in human character (our petulance, our temper, our selfishness or other failing), and we shall be able at one time to root out a great part of the evil of our nature.

When Lent is used in ways like these, as the Church has so long urged her children to do, Eastertide finds us risen to higher ideals and holier aims, nearer in heart and mind and life to Jesus, Who is our Pattern and our Guide.

A Working Lent.

"A working Lent?" This may seem a misnomer. We emphasize the importance of fasting in Lent, of meditation and prayer, of more faithful attendance at church, of more frequent Communion. And too great stress cannot be put on the importance of all these things.

But, surely, to no faithful soul can this be all of Lent. Our Blessed Master Himself in His forty days of retirement gave not all to meditation. The devil assailed Him in His time of hun-

ger, argued with Him and quoted Scripture; caught Him up to a pinnacle of the temple, tempted Him to fall down and worship him. There were working and fighting. Reason and reasoning were appealed to. The world was considered. The end was worked for and won. To Him life did not mean inactivity. And this was the proclamation of the victory: "Get thee behind Me, Satan!"

Pray in Lent. Let us pray more, by all means. Fast, repent, confess, meditate, commune. Let all these be done. But let not this other thing be left undone—work.

Lent should be emphatically a fit time for such active going out and doing good and lending help. Therefore, our fastings, our prayers and our Communion should not—will not, if we are really sincere—stop with self. They cannot, any more than the spring can, help flowing forth into the streamlet and the brook, to go forth to water the meadows and to make happy and bright the earth. Therefore, every well-kept Lent will bring with it work—work for the Master and for mankind.

That this Lenten season may be a "Working Lent," every society in the Parish will be engaged in working for some charitable object, either for Missions for the poor or for some home. Beside these charitable objects outside the Parish, all the societies in the Parish will work and sacrifice to give to the offering on Easter Day which will go toward realizing the \$7000.00 needed for the enlargement of the Parish House. The Vestry feel that if they have in hand \$5000.00 by Easter time they will be justified in beginning work on the Parish House this spring. This much-desired end can be accomplished if every society in the Parish will work hard during the coming Lent and every member in the Parish will make this season one of real self-sacrifice, so that the offering presented on the altar on Easter Day will represent a service and a sacrifice of devotion and love.

Confirmation.

There are some persons in the Parish who, from year to year, have been delaying taking the important step of Confirmation. They have been holding back with excuses which their consciences must tell them are cowardly and mean. Confirmation is not a confession of perfection or worthiness, but is an acknowledgment to God of sinfulness, and that the soul needs His help, the help He offers to all who come to Him confessing their weakness and their need. Confirmation is not an end, but a beginning—the opening up of a door to higher privileges and greater opportunities and blessings. All are welcome to come who realize their need and who want to live a life nearer to Jesus Christ.

With prayerful solicitude for all who in the past have been careless or indifferent to their higher life, the Rector hopes that at this Holy Season of Lent they will come to him and declare their willingness to receive the Blessed Privileges which await all, whosoever will.

Good Rules for Lent.

Prayer.

I.—Pray to God each morning and evening upon your knees.

II.—Read each day a chapter from Holy Scriptures, and some devout book, such as the "Imitation of Christ."

III.—Attend all of the church services that you can.

IV.—Let self-examination be a daily duty, before rest at night.

V.—Receive the Holy Communion after special self-examination.

Fasting.

I.—Abstain from all luxurious living.

II.—Avoid all ostentation in dress.

III.—Avoid all places of public entertainment and social gatherings.

Alms-Giving.

I.—Abstain from all needless expenses, that you may make an offering to God on Easter Day which will represent your self-denial.—Selected.

Special Lenten Services, 1911

HELD IN CHRIST CHURCH



ASH WEDNESDAY.

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Penitential Office, Holy Communion, Ser-
mon 11.00 a. m.
Evening Prayer 4.45 p. m.
Service, Sermon 8.00 p. m.

DAILY.

Evening Prayer 4.45 p. m.
With address on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sat-
urdays.
(For Subjects, see List)

EVERY WEDNESDAY.

Holy Communion, address 9.30 a. m.
Evening (until Holy Week)—Combined Mission-
ary Service held each Wednesday evening in the
various Parish Churches at eight o'clock. In
Christ Church on Wednesday evening, 15th;
preacher, the Rev. Robert W. Andrews, Tokyo,
Japan. For full schedule of services and speak-
ers see page 10.

SUNDAYS.

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Morning Service, Sermon 11.00 a. m.
Evening Service—Special Preachers 7.45 p. m.
(See list)

HOLY COMMUNION.

Every Sunday 7.30 a. m.
First Sunday 11.00 a. m.
Ash Wednesday 7.30, 11.00 a. m.
Every Wednesday 9.30 a. m.
Annunciation (March 25) 9.30 a. m.

CONFIRMATION.

Fifth Sunday Evening in Lent—The Rt. Rev.
Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D., Bishop of
the Diocese.

Confirmation instruction will be given in the
Church every Friday evening at eight o'clock, and
every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. All per-
sons, confirmed or unconfirmed, who desire infor-
mation on this subject are cordially invited to
these instructions.

Subjects of Lenten Addresses

TUESDAY AFTERNOONS.

Ten Minute Talks to Parents.

March 7th—Parental Qualifications.
March 14th—Family Government.
March 21st—The Treatment that Discourages Re-
ligion.
March 28th—Plays and Pastimes, Holidays and
Sundays.
April 4th—The Christian Teaching of Children.

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS.

Ten Minute Talks on Prayer.

March 2d—"The Meaning of Prayer."
March 9th—"The Mission of Prayer."
March 16th—"Hindrances to Prayer."
March 23d—"How to Pray."
March 30th—"Jesus' Habits of Prayer."
April 6th—"The Highest Form of Prayer."

SATURDAY AFTERNOONS.

The Influence of Christianity.

March 4th—"In the Personal Life."
March 11th—"In the Family Life."
March 18th—"In the Business Life."
March 25th—"In the Social Life."
April 1st—"In the Church."

Special Sunday Evening Preachers

First Sunday Evening—The Rev. Henry M. Me-
dary, Rector Memorial Church of the Advo-
cate, Philadelphia.
Second Sunday Morning—The Rev. William M.
Groton, D. D., Dean of the Divinity School,
Philadelphia.
Second Sunday Evening—The Rev. Philip J.
Steinmetz, Jr., Vicar St. Luke's and the Epiph-
any Chapel, Philadelphia.
Third Sunday Evening—The Rev. George C.
Foley, D. D., Professor, Divinity School, Phil-
adelphia.
Fourth Sunday Evening—The Rev. Crosswell
McBee, Rector St. John's, Lansdowne, Pa.
Fifth Sunday Evening—Confirmation—The Rt.
Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D.
Sixth Sunday Evening—The Rev. Charles S.
Hutchinson, D. D., Rector St. Clements, Phil-
adelphia.

The Rector will be very glad to confer on
the subject of Confirmation with any who de-
sire his counsel, at the close of any service, or
he will appoint an interview for the purpose at
any time. Instructions on Confirmation, Fri-
day evenings at eight and Sunday afternoons
at four.

Daily Collect for Lent

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost
govern all things in Heaven and earth; merci-
fully hear our prayers, and grant to the Parish
with which we are connected all things that are
needful for its spiritual welfare; strengthen
and confirm the faithful; visit and relieve the
sick; turn and soften the wicked; arouse the
careless; recover the fallen; restore the peni-
tent; remove all hindrances to the advance-
ment of Thy truth; and make all to be of one
mind and heart within Thy Holy Church; to
the honor and glory of Thy great Name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with
the Parish are requested to hand their names and
addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to
call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A
Communicant moving from one Parish to another
shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the
Parish of his late residence, or if there be no
Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate
stating that he or she is a Communicant in good
standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regu-
lar income is derived:

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2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent
pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordial-
ly welcomed to seats in the Church and are in-
vited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through
the Envelope System such sums as they may be
able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to
support the work of the Church.

A Letter From Bishop Whitaker.

The Rector received the following
letter from Bishop Whitaker. It is one
of the last letters that the Bishop wrote
before his death:

The Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Church House,
12th and Walnut Streets.
Philadelphia, November 30, 1910.

My Dear Mr. Arndt:—I have ap-
pointed the evening of the fifth Sunday
in Lent, April 2, 1911, at 7.45, for Con-
firmation at Christ Church, German-
town, at which time you may expect
Bishop Mackay-Smith.

With all best wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

O. W. WHITAKER.

Since writing this letter God has
called His faithful servant Home. Our
thoughts will be with our dear Bishop
at the Confirmation Service, and in
prayer and in spiritual communion we
shall be united with him and he with
us in the Blessed Communion of the
Saints.

For further information, please apply to the
Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after
any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West
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STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCI- ETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

An interesting and instructive course
of stereopticon lectures on Missions is
being given in the Sunday School on
the first Sunday morning in each
month. The lectures begin at quarter
past nine o'clock. The subjects of the
remaining illustrated lectures will be:
First Sunday in March—"The Phil-
ippines."

First Sunday in April—"The Cross
Roads of the Pacific." (Honolulu.)

First Sunday in May—"The Church's
Battle Line." (General.)

All persons are cordially invited to
these lectures, which are held in the
Sunday School room.

The weekly Missionary Services
which will be held in the various par-
ish churches in Germantown on
Wednesday evenings during Lent will
be of unusual interest to all. Mission-
ary Bishops and special preachers will
be present, and the addresses will be
full of interest and inspiration. The
schedule of these services will be found
in another column of "The Chimes."

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EDITORIAL

The Diocese of Pennsylvania is bowed in sorrow. Its Bishop and Chief Pastor has been taken away. On Thursday, February 9, God called him to his Heavenly Home, and the hearts of many thousands within and without the Church who have been drawn to this Godly man are deeply grieved and feel that in his death they have lost a loving, personal friend. The touching tributes of respect and love and affection which have come from all sources, from people of all churches and denominations, from Roman Catholics, Jews and persons of no church affiliations whatsoever, testify to the wonderful power which Bishop Whitaker held over the hearts of men of all creeds alike, and give evidence of the purity and sincerity and unselfishness of his life and the Christlikeness of his character. In no parish was he more beloved than among the people of Christ Church, and the Rector and people join in united prayer to God and say:

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give Thee hearty thanks

for the good examples of all those Thy servants who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we beseech Thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of Thy Holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Another loss has come to us in the recent death of a man whom the people of Christ Church always welcomed most cordially and who was listened to with rapt attention as he spoke to us, as he often did by invitation from the Rector, words of wisdom and truth. The Rev. J. Sanders Reed, D. D., passed into life eternal January 30. Only four Sundays previous he preached a sermon in Christ Church that will never be forgotten by those who were privileged to hear it. "Where Are the Nine?" This was his text; and as he dwelt on the awful indifference of the many to the great responsibilities of life and forced home to his hearers' hearts the need of each one doing his share in the Master's work, impressions were made that will never be forgotten and his work will bring forth fruit in years to come. Surely Dr. Reed was a prophet of God, and it may truthfully be said of him, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they rest from their labors, but their works do follow them."

Special attention is called to the members of the congregation to the list of preachers who are to speak in Christ Church on Sunday evenings in Lent. These clergymen have been good enough to accept the Rector's invitation to come to Christ Church to speak to us, and it is certainly fitting for every member of the Parish to show their appreciation of the kindness of these men by regularly attending the Sunday evening service. These men have a special message to deliver, and these services will be helpful to all who attend. All seats are free at the evening services, and a cordial invitation is extended to strangers.

Parish House Improvement.

The treasurer of the Parish House Fund now reports cash on hand amounting to \$2641.26, while additional funds already collected and now in a separate account swell the figures to \$2800, while a pledge still to be collected will probably run them up to \$3000. Of course this is a long way from the \$10,000 needed for our new building, but it is a most encouraging showing, and one which manifests great generosity on the part of the congregation.

If any one had prophesied last Easter that it was possible to pay off our annual deficit and in addition to raise \$3000 cash for a new Parish House his prophecy would have been regarded as visionary and most impossible. But the impossible has happened, and it simply shows what can be done by our congregation when generously inclined. There has been a real outpouring of generosity and self-sacrifice, and the proof is in the \$3000 now practically in hand.

At Easter, this year, we must again make an earnest effort to increase this fund to an amount which will warrant us in beginning to build. As you know, it is intended to raise part of the \$10,000 needed by a mortgage, but we wish to make this mortgage as small as possible, and, therefore, trust your generosity will be reached on Easter as in previous years. If the same spirit of generosity is displayed this year our building can be begun this spring, so as to be ready for our fall work.

JAMES H. RITTER,
Treasurer, Parish House
Improvement Fund.

Mothers' Meeting.

Our Mothers' Meeting held its annual dinner the second week in January. Before partaking of our bountiful repast we enjoyed a rare mental treat, "Teddy's Button," a sweet little story with a good moral, portrayed by lantern pictures, Mr. Hayhurst presiding at the stereopticon.

Twenty-six mothers did justice to all the good things.

We meet every Tuesday, at 3 o'clock, and busy hands fashion many useful garments to be sent away in a box to North Carolina. Tea and cakes are served at 4 o'clock.

Our good Rector visits us at about that time, for is he not always interested in good things, both temporal and spiritual? And we are glad to have him with us, for as we finish our seams he provides us with spiritual food for the coming week, the application of which makes our daily tasks seem easier, because done for the Master.

Two weeks ago we Mothers had a secret all our own, and when it came out it was a beautiful gold cross, which Mr. "Are Not" (quoted from little Robert) presented to Mrs. Humphrey, in behalf of the "Mothers," on her birthday, just to let her know how much we love her and appreciate her untiring helpfulness.

Little Earl Biddel recited very nicely the poem, "Maud Muller," and after a vote of thanks to all the ladies who kindly assisted, and the singing of the Doxology, the meeting adjourned.

L. H. D.

Announcement.

During the Lenten season the Mothers' Meeting will make many useful and seasonable articles and later have a sale with refreshments, the proceeds to go as an Easter offering towards our new Parish House.

We shall be glad to receive donations of material, such as toweling, cheesecloth, muslin and outing flannel, also orders for fancy and working aprons.

L. H. D.

Envelope Subscribers in Arrears.

A number of persons are still in arrears in their envelope subscriptions. Some are several months in arrears. This may be caused by prolonged absence from home or from sickness. While it is not desired to urge any person to pay who finds it impossible to do so, the treasurer of the fund would respectfully remind all who can pay their arrearages to enclose or send their amounts as soon as possible, that their accounts may be credited in full.

Noonday Lenten Services in Germantown.

WANTED—Twenty-five or more men and boys to be available as a singing force.

WANTED—Several to act as substitute pianists.

WANTED—A number to assist in the distribution of advertising matter.

WANTED—Men to act as ushers.

Lent is only a few days off; speakers of prominence have been engaged, some from a distance. There is no turning back. Most of the difficulty lies in the fact that the Brotherhood lacks a sufficient number of its own men to back it up by personal attention. The majority are employed in the city. The few who are able to assist at the Germantown services must have the help of the church people.

Perhaps you can strengthen the arms of those in charge by volunteering to fill some of the positions named above. If so, do not withhold your help. The honor of the Episcopal Church in Germantown depends upon the success obtained by these services during Lent. Give your name to Mr. J. H. Shinn, 29 West Johnson street, or to Mr. C. H. Jackson, 6358 Jefferson street, at once.

There are two ways, however, in which every man, woman and child in this Parish can help wonderfully. You can pray daily for the services, the speaker and the Brotherhood. You can, every day you are in Germantown, attend the services. There is no such word as "can't." Lent is a season of sacrifice, but—is it sacrifice to give up one thing for something better? Think it over. Help Christ Church to do her portion.

The services commence at 12.30 P. M. sharp and close at 12.55 P. M. They will be held in the Vernon Palace Theatre, Germantown avenue, above Cheltenham avenue, and a number of prominent men have consented to come to Germantown and address the meetings. Will you be there to hear them?

The list of speakers follows:

March 1-4—Father Hughson.
March 6-10—Rev. H. McKay Moore.
March 11—Rev. A. H. Hord.

March 13-18—Rev. C. S. Hutchinson.
March 20-24—Rev. H. St. Clair Hathaway.
March 25—Rev. Jacob Le Roy.
March 27-31—Rev. J. B. Halsey.
April 1—Rev. J. Clayton Mitchell.
April 3-7—Rev. Thos. J. Garland.
April 8—Rev. Simeon C. Hill.
April 10—Bishop Mackay-Smith.
April 11—Bishop Thomas.
April 12-13—Dean Groton.
April 14—Rev. H. C. McHenry.

The Girls' Friendly Society.

On Tuesday evening, February 7, the G. F. S. gave a supper instead of the usual social. After the supper the girls responded to toasts, Miss Kirkland being the toastmistress. Besides the associates and members, we had with us for part of the evening Mrs. Arndt, Miss B. Morgan and Mrs. Carmichael, our former Branch Secretary.

We are endeavoring to increase the number of members. Any girl in the Parish who desires to join will kindly give her name to the Rector or any of the members of the G. F. S.

E. M. M.

The Pre-Lenten Play.

On Tuesday evening, February 28, the "S. S. C." will present a lively comedy drama, by Charles Townsend, entitled "Higbee, of Harvard."

The proceeds of this play will be given to the Parish House Improvement Fund.

While this club has been in existence for some time, this is its first venture as an active organization in the Parish, and the members are hard at work endeavoring to make the play "the best ever."

Tickets can be secured from Club members and members of the Sunday School, and we trust that the people of the Parish and their friends will come out and aid us in making this play a rattling success. W. A. A.

Pew Rents Due.

A few persons have not as yet paid their pew rents, which were due on the first of last December. Will all who are in arrears with their pew rents please remit to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal street, at their earliest convenience?

A Word From the Parish Visitor.

In looking through our card system of Christ Church membership we find many who are regular attendants upon the Sunday services and the Holy Communion. This is the pulse test of the life of our body corporate.

The part that saddens us, however, is the more than few who have strayed away, have forgotten that as members of one family in Christ they, if obliged to move away, should let the Rector know their new address and, if unable to attend Christ Church, should ask for a letter of transfer to some church near their new home. In making a great number of calls this absolute indifference to former vows and church relations, as well as to their own spiritual advancement is most deplorable. While our Rector is anxious to retain in the fold those who have once been of it, he also feels that for their own good, both morally and spiritually, they should take a letter of transfer and identify themselves as God's children, workers for Him in the parish in which they have located.

Over seven hundred calls have been made within the past three months. Many of these calls have been upon members who retain only a nominal connection with the Parish. A revision of the Parish Register is being made in an endeavor to retain on the list of membership only those persons who have a real connection with the Parish.

L. H. D.

Men's Club.

The meeting of the Men's Club of Christ Church which was held on the evening of February 3 was a decided success. Between thirty-five and forty men were in attendance and a pleasant evening was spent. Mr. Edward James Cattel was the speaker, and his talk on the opportunities offered in our country and city was both entertaining and instructive. Light refreshments and cigars were furnished by the Club. The thanks of the Club are tendered to Miss Alexander, Miss Insinger, Mrs. Jackson and Miss Robinson for their assistance in preparing and serving the lunch.

The Club is desirous of entering the names of many more of the men of the Parish and neighborhood on its roll of members. Every man is entitled to join, whether he be a member of this church or not, and as the Club intends to do some special work in the near future, it is greatly to be hoped that all of those eligible will come into our ranks. All that is necessary is to hand your name and address to the Rector or to an officer of the Club. The officers as elected for the year 1911 are:

President—Oscar N. Middleton.
1st Vice-President—C. H. Loutrel.
2d Vice-President—C. W. Sutcliffe, Jr.
Treasurer—C. L. Hayhurst.
Secretary—John Gallagher, Jr.
Executive Committee—James H. Ritter, Wm. N. Johnson, M. D., John H. Shinn, Jonas Westling, William S. Owens.

This being the beginning of a new year, the dues, which are One Dollar per year, are now payable, and early remittances should be made to the Treasurer, who may be addressed at 165 Mayland street, Germantown.

The next meeting of the Club will be held on Friday evening, the tenth of March, at 8 o'clock. Some of the details are yet to be definitely arranged, but we can assure every one who attends of a pleasant and profitable evening. An interesting speaker will be secured, who will address us on some topic of current interest.

Art Thou weary, O my Master?

Art Thou standing, hoping still
That the heart so cold and silent
Soon will answer to Thy will?

Long Thou suffered, O my Master,
Death and Shame and Crown of
Thorn,

That this heart so unresponsive
Thro' Thy love might be reborn.

Enter, enter, O my Master,

All my sins Thy love atone;
Take me, take me, O my Master,
Make me Thine, and Thine alone.
—J. H. S.

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March 8—St. Peter's Church, Wayne avenue and Harvey street. Speaker, the Rt. Rev. Lemuel Henry Wells, D. D., Bishop of Spokane.

March 15—Christ Church, Tulpehocken street. Speaker, the Rev. Robert W. Andrews, Tokio, Japan.

March 22—Calvary Church, Manheim street. Speaker, Rev. H. L. Burleson, Assistant Secretary, Board of Missions.

April 5—St. Luke's Church, Parish House, General Conference. Led by John W. Wood, Esq., Secretary of Board of Missions.

The Rev. H. Cresson McHenry will assist the Rector during this Lent. Mr. McHenry is no stranger to Christ Church. He officiated most acceptably during the Rector's absence last summer.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
} 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

Holy Week in Christ Church

The Forty Days are drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and beneath the light of the Paschal moon, we now enter into the mystery of the awful Passion of our Blessed Lord. With bowed heads we contemplate the Cross, rising out of the sacred hill of Calvary, and on the Cross we behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Lamb of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world." "Indeed," says a devout writer, "one scarcely ventures to write upon so sacred a subject. Christ's members should strive silently to realize it to themselves, following our Blessed Lord in thought through the scenes of His suffering and death." Let each one of us, during this Holy Week which now draws near, the "Stille Woche," as the Germans appropriately call it, leave behind us all thought of the world, with its trifling vanities, its petty schemes and fake ambitions, and contemplate in awe and reverence the closing scenes of our Lord's earthly life, from the triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city that He dearly loved, until, wearied and exhausted, He slowly wended His way

along the "Via Sacra," passing through the gates of the city which had rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary.

On each day during this Holy Week the Prayer Book provides that each of the four Evangelists should be heard in his narrative of the Passion. The Holy Communion will, therefore, be celebrated in Christ Church every morning at half-past seven o'clock from Palm Sunday to Maundy Thursday. Let every one who would seek to draw nearer unto our Saviour during the closing hour of His Passion—every business man before going to his business, every woman before entering upon her daily duties, every boy and girl before going to school, come apart from the world for one short half hour at the beginning of each day of this Holy Week and before God's altar meditate upon the Passion of our Lord and draw near in communion with Him.

On each afternoon at a quarter to five o'clock will be held in this church a half hour "Meditative Reading" on the sacred events of the day. A book-

let, entitled, "The Last Week, the Story of the Passion," in which are consecutively related the Gospel story of our Lord's last days, may be had on application to the Verger. Every person is requested to procure one of these little books and to follow the accounts of our Lord's last days as they are read daily at these evening meditations.

Good Friday

The daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday in the Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon. This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential office, Pro-Anaphora and address.

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood,
Uphears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's sufferings, want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation and in Prayer? Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!

Easter Communion

As these solemn days of Lent draw slowly to their close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these

forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations, in His sufferings and at the Cross, will be preparing and will be yearning to be with Him on the happy Resurrection morn in the joy of the Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of Festivals," and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion. Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies our "holy thanksgiving." In the words of the prayer of Consecration, in the Communion office, "having in remembrance His blessed Passion and precious Death, His Mighty Resurrection and glorious Ascension," we render unto God our most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same. If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord we may truly share, at the Holy Eucharist, on Easter Day, in the joys of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our risen Lord and unite together with all God's saints in "one holy communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son, Christ our Lord" and "with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven" join in the beatific praise "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty." This is the communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened to him;" and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's Saints who draw near unto Him in spirit on this great Day of the Lord—The Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

a general subscription by all the members of the Diocese of \$1.00 a piece from every man, woman and child who belongs to any Parish within our borders. This sum of \$1.00 will be asked from each, but in case any one should desire to give a larger sum, or to have their own particular subscription given for some other special purpose, subscriptions so designated will not be refused.

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The Rector has appointed Mr. James

Parish Notes

Easter Memorial Flowers

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the Blessed Dead. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions as soon as possible, either to the Rector or to Mrs. William H. Avery, 54 West Tulpehocken street. The ladies of the Guild will personally select the flowers and will see that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. Persons who desire to make their own selections of blooming plants or flowers are requested to have them at the Parish House early on Saturday morning, so that they may be arranged in the chancel before the Saturday afternoon service.

All are invited to send contributions to the Easter Memorial, either in money or flowers, and any contribution, however small, will be gratefully received.

entious giving. It is the Bible method. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (1. Cor. 16:2). It is hoped that every worshipper in Christ Church will take one of these pledge cards and indicate the amount he or she is willing to give each week to the support of the work of this parish. By this method the Vestry can estimate the probable yearly income, and will be enabled to regulate, accordingly, the expenses of the Parish.

It is earnestly hoped that the new-comers into the Parish will not fail to help bear the responsibilities of the Parish by availing themselves of this systematic method of giving. The support of this Parish and its philanthrop-

Services on Easter Day

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30 and 7.30 A. M., Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion at 11.00 o'clock.

The Sunday School Easter Carol service will be held in the Church at 7.30 P. M.

The school will march, as usual, from the Parish House into the Church. Scholars will be graduated from the Primary and Intermediate Departments and presented with diplomas.

There will be a "special feature" at this service illustrating the Easter theme.

The Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D., will visit Christ Church on the fifth Sunday evening in Lent and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The names of the persons confirmed will be published in the next issue of the "Chimes."

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could always see clearly in the light of Easter Day the meaning of the dark days, the failures, the tragedies of life! God grant, that at this Easter-tide we may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or even death itself, is, to those who live in Christ, but the herald of new light and joy. Let us rejoice, then, this day as we look into the sepulchre, "He is not here, He has risen!" Let us weave the truth and the fact into our lives! Let it give courage to the strugglers, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy into every heart, for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection, and the Life, whoso believeth in me, though He were dead, yet shall he live, and whoso so liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

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a general subscription by all the members of the Diocese of \$1.00 a piece from every man, woman and child who belongs to any Parish within our borders. This sum of \$1.00 will be asked from each, but in case any one should desire to give a larger sum, or to have their own particular subscription given for some other special purpose, subscriptions so designated will not be refused.

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The Rector has appointed Mr. James H. Ritter, care Cheltenham Trust Co., and Mrs. Charles Heyer, 75 West Johnson Street, to receive contributions for this fund. Money may be sent either to them or to the Rector.

Let Every One Subscribe Through the Envelopes.

The fiscal year of the Parish begins at Easter. The opportunity is now given to every attendant at the services of Christ Church to indicate on a pledge card, which may be found in the vestibules, the amount he or she is willing to give each week to the support of the work of the Parish. These cards may then be placed on the alms basin at any service or sent to the Rector, and the subscriber will be furnished with a package of envelopes for the weekly offering. Every attendant at Christ Church is urged to adopt this method of giving. It is the most systematic method and inculcates the principle, in old and young alike, of regular, consci-

entious giving. It is the Bible method. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." (1. Cor. 16:2). It is hoped that every worshipper in Christ Church will take one of these pledge cards and indicate the amount he or she is willing to give each week to the support of the work of this parish. By this method the Vestry can estimate the probable yearly income, and will be enabled to regulate, accordingly, the expenses of the Parish

It is earnestly hoped that the new-comer into the Parish will not fail to help bear the responsibilities of the Parish by availing themselves of this systematic method of giving. The support of this Parish and its philanthropies is dependent, not upon a few, but upon **every worshipper in Christ Church**, who should consider it not only a duty, but a privilege, to share in the furtherance of the Master's work

Men's Club.

It is very much regretted that the meeting announced in the March "Chimes" had to be postponed. Circumstances apparently unavoidable caused the cancellation of the meeting. It is hoped to have a gathering of the men in the near future and ample notice will be given.

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The appropriations for 1909-10:

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EDITORIAL

The Editors are extremely anxious to secure some copies of back numbers of "The Chimes" to complete files which have been requested by the Site and Relic Society of Germantown and others. Anyone having copies of the following issues, which they are willing to spare, will confer a great favor by sending them to the Editor or the Rector.

Vol. 2. Nos. 4 and 5.

Vol. 6. No. 12.

Vol. 7. Nos. 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Vol. 8. No. 10.

It was a matter of considerable surprise that so few accepted the invitation of the Committee on Parish House Improvements to meet them on Ash Wednesday after the evening service, for a discussion of the posted plans. The Editor frequently hears comments, both favorable and unfavorable, regarding these plans and certainly the committee is entitled to our views.

This is a matter of very serious moment to our Parish, and the time for discussing various ideas of construction is steadily growing shorter. It is earnestly desired that building be commenced soon after Easter, and the definite plan of operation must, of course, be entirely arranged before the builder can even get in his bid. Therefore if any of us have suggestions or criticisms to make let us offer them at once, so that the work may not be delayed when once the finances are in proper shape.

In order to stimulate the attendance at our Sunday School it is proposed to inaugurate, or rather, revive, the Little Cross and Crown System of pin awards. This award system consists of the use of several grades of a very neat pin and is arranged as follows:

No. 1—A Copper Bronze Pin.

No. 2—A Gun-metal Pin, enameled in three colors.

No. 3—A Sterling Silver Pin, enameled in three colors.

No. 4—A Solid Gold Pin, enameled in three colors.

Each member of the school has, or should have, one of the No. 1 pins, and these, which are badges of membership in the school, are the start of the system.

Beginning with April 2d, the awards will be made as follows: Each member who is present every Sunday for three months will surrender No. 1 and receive No. 2; then when he or she has completed another three months' perfect attendance No. 2 will be exchanged for No. 3; then when still another three months' record has been attained No. 3 will be surrendered and No. 4 will be presented outright to the member who has earned it. After earning No. 4 the holder must have a perfect record for

six months when a small gold cross or star will be attached to the No. 4 pin. When the holder of No. 4 has secured a record of an additional year, making two years in all, he or she will be given a very handsome gold wreath to go around No. 4 pin and having "Second Year" engraved on the bottom of it. To this wreath will be attached bars of gold marked "Third Year," "Fourth Year" and "Fifth Year" as they are earned. This is a very comprehensive system, and is quite good because a scholar may start at any time, and when the required record has been made he or she has only to apply to the Superintendent and the award earned will be given. These pins are not cheap, showy trash, but are really very neat and well worth striving for. Mr. Middleton has a set and will be pleased to show it to any who are interested.

Choir Notes.

The members of the choir held an evening social in the Parish Building on the night following Washington's Birthday. After games and singing, there followed a supper. The table was tastefully arranged with the national colors. A most enjoyable evening was spent and all enjoy and look forward to these evening socials, which each member is personally interested in. The guests were Mrs. Isabel Scaife, Mrs. Alfred Coxe and Mr. Barry.

On Sunday evening, March 26th, the choir will sing Maunder's melodious Lenten cantata, "Penitence, Pardon and Peace."

Notice is called to the date when the usual Passion Cantata is to be sung in Holy Week. Instead of on Good Friday evening, as heretofore, Wednesday

evening of Holy Week, April 12th, has been decided upon. The works to be given on that evening are Maunder's "Olivet to Calvary" and Gounod's "Out of Darkness" (De Profundis). There will be a choir of forty voices to interpret these two beautiful compositions, accompanied by the organ, harp and tympani drums.

The Easter musical program will include the following: "Christ Our Passover"; Te Deum in F. Lemare; Jubilate in E, Barnby; Anthem, "I Heard a Great Voice," Cobb; Communion Service, Eyre, in E flat; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in A, Foster; Anthem, "They Have Taken Away My Lord," Stainer.

The Choirmaster in February issue of the "Chimes," made mention of the splendid attendance of all the members of the choir. He desires to make special mention of three choristers, Misses E. Collisson, L. Hayhurst and M. Abrams.

The former two young ladies have not missed a service nor a rehearsal since May 20, 1910, the total attendance of each to date (March 19th) amounting to one hundred and twenty-six consecutive times. Miss Abrams has a splendid record of attendance also, having until January 22, 1911, not missed a service nor rehearsal since July 31, 1910, a total of seventy-three times. Her continuous attendance was broken in January owing to unavoidable circumstances.

There are other members of the choir who have a very good attendance record, some missing but two or three times in several months.

It is most gratifying to the choirmaster to have such interest shown in the musical work.

L. M. R.

Shall We Begin Building the Parish House This Spring?

The answer to this very important question depends wholly upon the response of the people of this Parish in their Easter offering. It is most urgent that the addition to our Parish Building should be made **at once**. Every month that the enlargement is deferred means a serious loss of time and opportunity for good among all classes of people in this growing community. The needs of the Parish demand modern facilities for the greater work that is to be done, especially among the young people, and if these facilities are not immediately forthcoming the Parish cannot do the work that it is called upon to do, and it will have failed to fulfill its God-given mission among the people at its very doors.

When the people of this congregation fully realize the imperative need and the grave responsibility resting upon every member of this Parish we cannot doubt but that there will be a spontaneous and generous response on the part of every one at this Easter time, and that the amount realized will warrant the Vestry undertaking this improvement at once. A little over three thousand dollars are now in hand. The enlargement will cost about ten thousand dollars, leaving seven thousand dollars yet to be realized.

This entire amount can be raised on Easter Day if every one in this Parish will determine to make a **heroic effort** at self-sacrifice and give as generously as they are able at this time. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the Church, on which persons who cannot give as much as they desire now, are invited to signify the amounts they are willing to pledge themselves for this urgent Parish need. The payment of pledges may be met at any time dur-

ing the year. Let every one in the Parish rise to this occasion and privilege and give as generously as they are able. Some will be able to give more than others, but all are invited to give what they **can**, however small may be the amount.

Noonday Lenten Services in Germantown.

Thus far the Noonday services have progressed very well, considering they are an innovation. The average attendance up to this time has been 108, but this number may be far exceeded if every one who is able to assist in any way will do so.

As was mentioned in the March issue of the "Chimes," help is greatly needed to make these services the success they should be. Volunteers are wanted to assist in the singing, ushering and distribution of cards. As only a few Brotherhood men are able to be in Germantown during the noon hour, this assistance must come from the laymen who do not belong to the Brotherhood as an organization. They are all brotherhood men in the great work of the Master, however, and the appeal is made to them as such. Do not be satisfied with keeping the services from being a failure. Man always strives for something better in material matters, should he set a lower plane for the work of Christ?

Any who can devote an hour or two a week to this work are asked to send or give their names to Mr. John H. Shinn, 29 West Johnson street.

Addresses during Lent may be expected as follows:

March 27-31—Rev. J. B. Halsey.
April 1—Rev. J. Clayton Mitchell.
April 3-7—Rev. Thos. J. Garland.

April 8—Rev. Simeon C. Hill.
April 10—Bishop Mackay-Smith
April 11—Bishop Thomas.
April 12-13—Dean Groton.
April 14—Rev. H. C. McHenry.

Encouraging.

Our own Parish is now awakening to its share in the new "Forward Movement," which like a grander crusade, is stirring the Church at large for the glorious conquest in our generation of the world for Christ.

Among the weekly envelopes given the congregation last Easter were twelve of a blue color, which were intended as a monthly reminder of Missions, at the same time giving a monthly opportunity of contributing to this noble duty and work of our church.

While the use of these special envelopes is not yet as general as we hope to see it soon, the results have been most encouraging, as so far this year our mission contributions amount to about one-third more than the previous year, while there is still over a month in which to expect additional gifts.

The amount asked by the Board of Missions from our Parish for this year is \$1200.00. Unless all parishes respond in full, there will not be sufficient money to support our faithful missionaries now on the field. Suppose you had given your own son or daughter to the cause of Missions, would you not feel justified in asking that they should be supported by the Church?

It is important that not only should the invincible conquest of Christianity as a world force be shown by Church history, but the modern forward movement of Christianity should be by systematic Mission study. The following eight books are suggested for definiteness and not alone because of importance: "The Why and How of Foreign Missions;" "Sunrise in the Sunrise Kingdom;" "Christus Redemptor;" "The Uplift of China;" "Aliens or Americans;" "The Life of Carey;" "The Life of Livingston;" "The Life of Paterson."

Boys' Club to Hold Big Hare and Hounds Run.

On Saturday afternoon, April 8th, an open entry hare and hounds run will be held under the auspices of the Boys' Club of Christ Church. The entrance fee is TWENTY-FIVE CENTS and will be devoted to the fund for building the new Parish House. Handsome SILVER CUPS will be awarded to the first and second hounds to cross the finish line. These cups will be on exhibition from April 1st until the day of the RACE at the WASHINGTON LANE PHARMACY.

The COMMITTEE in charge of the run consists of: President Priestman, of the Club; Alvin Armstrong, Peacock and Thorpe. The contest will be open to all boys seventeen years old and younger. The race will be run in three classes, made up according to age and

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size, the larger and older boys, therefore, giving those smaller and younger handicaps.

The members of the Committee will be pleased to receive entrants up to Thursday night, April 6th, at 6 P. M. After that date and time no further entries will be considered. For further information consult any member of the Committee in charge.

Race will start from the corner of Washington Lane and McCallum Street at 2.30 P. M. sharp.

New Envelopes.

New pages of envelopes for 1911 and 1912, with the names of former subscribers through the envelope system, written on each page, will be found at the Church doors a week before Easter.

All the former envelope subscribers are requested to seek out their own packages, marked with their names. Their packages will be found alphabetically arranged on the tables.

Pledge cards will also be found on the tables and in the racks in the vestibules. If any person does not find his or her envelope on one of these tables, will they please apply to the Sexton, and he will notify the Rector. New

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ABNDT, M. A.

Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

Lay Reader, JAMES H. RITTER

The Rector's NotesTHE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
{ 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGSAll the services on Easter Day were
very largely attended. The total number
of persons who communed was four
hundred and three. This is an increase
over any previous Easter.Whilst the increase in numbers is very
encouraging, we realize that the success
of Christian work cannot be expressed
by figures. If this parish is doing God's
work, which we trust it is, its progress
must be evidenced in a more substantial
way than by mere numbers. It must be
evidenced by each member being drawn
more closely to Jesus Christ; it must
mean that there is a deepening of the
spiritual life among those who profess
His name, that there is a "dying unto sin
and a living unto righteousness," which
must manifest itself day by day, *openly
before the world*, in a higher and a
holier manhood and womanhood.If the amount of the offering on Eas-
ter Day may be taken as an indication of
a devotion of our people to the work of
the Master, we certainly have every rea-
son to be encouraged. The offering
amounted to over three thousand, three
hundred dollars. This generous response
was preceded by last year's Easter offer-
ing of four thousand dollars, making a
total of over seven thousand dollars,
given by our people in about thirteen
months' time over and above the several
thousand dollars contributed towards thecurrent expenses and the philanthropies
of the Parish.This record is one for which we may
be profoundly grateful to God that He
has inspired the people of this parish to
such a generous and self-sacrificing
effort.There is abundant evidence that the
Lenten season that has just passed has
brought with it a deepening of the Spir-
itual life of our Parish. The lessons of
the sufferings and sacrifices and death of
our Lord have impressed themselves
very deeply on many souls, and brought
them nearer to the Cross of Christ. In
the Resurrection Story new hopes have
been aroused and many hearts have been
quickened into a higher and holier life.
But this should not be the end. We are
all weak, very weak, and the danger is
that we shall fall back again into our old
and former selfish and sinful ways. Let
us now continue to pray more fervently
than ever before that the Holy Spirit
may come into our lives and purify and
teach and keep us and direct us in all
our ways. The Church, therefore, now
turns our minds toward Whitsuntide, the
coming of the Holy Spirit. In every
temptation, in every trial, in every sor-
row, He will be with us and will sup-
port and strengthen us, if we will only
watch and continually pray. "I will not
leave you comfortless; I will come to you.

The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in My name. He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." This should be our Post-Lenten lesson, which we should keep before us each day of our life, "a dying unto sin and a rising again unto righteousness," until at last we come to live and reign with our Risen Lord forever.

Now that the special weekday Lenten services are discontinued, it is hoped that our people will not think that Christianity and Church duties between Sundays cease to exist. Services are held in the Church *every Friday afternoon* at five o'clock. Should not all, who are able to do so, endeavor to set apart one half-hour a week on Friday, the day on which our Lord was crucified for us, to come to His house for prayer? And then, too, on the Saints' Days, as they occur throughout the year, would it not be to the spiritual edification of our character to follow the direction of the Church and come apart awhile from the world and meditate upon the wonderful lessons which those lives, spent in the service of their Saviour, can teach us? This is one of the reasons why the Church observes the "Saints' Days," to bring us more closely into touch with the lives of the Saints and Martyrs of the past that, recalling their lives and sufferings and deaths for their Master, we may be inspired to follow them "in all virtuous and godly living." And yet how few there are in this Parish who avail themselves of this blessed privilege. Will not more persons begin *now* to make it their conscientious duty to attend, as often as possible, the services on the Saints' Days and Friday afternoons? Surely, if some cannot attend all these services, as they occur throughout the year, there are few persons in the Parish who cannot attend some.

It is with profound sorrow that we are called upon to record Bishop Mackay-Smith's decision to resign the Bishopric

of the diocese. The Bishop's health has become so serious he feels that, in justice to the diocese, he should withdraw. His physicians advised him over a year ago to resign, but he declined to do so, and, with the hope of recovering his health, he asked for a year's leave of absence. On his return from abroad his health was somewhat improved, but of late it has failed considerably, and he now feels that it is his duty to retire in order that another more strong and robust in health may take up the duties of his office. As greatly as the necessity for this step is to be regretted, we believe that the Bishop's decision is a wise and a brave one.

Few persons who are not acquainted with the demands that are imposed upon the office of a Bishop of a great diocese like that of Pennsylvania realize the enormous pressure to which he is subjected.

Bishop Greer, of New York, a man of strong physique, was threatened with a break-down before the end of the first year of his incumbency, and the strong and powerful Phillips Brooks died within a few months after his induction into office. We sincerely hope that Bishop Mackay-Smith may be relieved, at least in a measure, of his painful malady, and that his life may be spared for many years to come.

At the coming Diocesan Convention, which will be held in St. Luke's and the Epiphany Church, Philadelphia, beginning May 9th, a Bishop Co-Adjutor and possibly a Suffragan Bishop will be elected. Within a year after the election Bishop Mackay-Smith will resign his office and be succeeded by the newly-elected Bishop Co-Adjutor. The members of the convention will therefore be called to perform a far-reaching and momentous responsibility.

Every deputy—laity and clergy alike—should enter that convention in a spirit of prayer and continue to pray that the Holy Spirit may "save them from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice," and "direct, sanctify and govern them in their work."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

The services on Ascension Day will be Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M.; Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and address at 11.00 o'clock.

On each of the Rogation Days the church will be open all day for private devotion.

"Cannot I live as good a life outside the church as in it?" No. The influences that surround a person are great. We need to breathe the atmosphere of the Church—to associate with others in prayer and work—to seek with them one common result.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

CALENDAR FOR MAY.

May 1st—St. Philip, St. James.
May 7th—Third Sunday After Easter.
May 14th—Fourth Sunday After Easter.
May 21st—Fifth Sunday After Easter.
May 22, 23, 24—Rogation Days.
May 25th—Ascension Day.
May 28th—Sunday After Ascension.

It is with great regret that we are obliged to record the resignation of Mrs. Arthur A. Thacher as treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary, and of the United Offering. Mrs. Thacher has moved from Germantown, and will not be able to continue the work she has done so long and so efficiently. Her going is a distinct loss, not only to the Auxiliary, but to the parish. Her successor as treasurer of the United Offering has not yet been appointed, and it is asked that all members of the parish who have the United Offering boxes, will send the contents thereof to Mrs. Arndt as soon as possible.

Ascension Day, or Holy Thursday.

(Forty days after Easter.)

"The history of our Lord's Ascension is placed on record for the confirmation of our faith. The circumstances recorded are not only full of interest, but pregnant with instruction; while the doctrines which arise from it and are inseparably dependent upon it, are of the highest lustre. The Ascension into heaven is the last glorious proof which Jesus gave in Person that He is the Son of God; and the doctrines connected with it are, like itself, radiant with light and beaming with glory from above, for upon the Ascension depends the truth of the Lord's exaltation to God's right hand; that of His Eternal Priesthood; and of the doctrine that He shall return at length to be the judge of the quick and dead—a chain of golden links, the first of which is still the Ascension of Jesus into heaven! Ascension Day is more a day for heaven than earth. It is the glorification of Manhood."

"Of the Ascension of the Lord, all the Apostles, and probably many others, were eye witnesses. For this was an event which, from its nature, did not admit of the same kind of confirmation afterwards. It removed the Lord from the presence of His Church on earth. But since their happiness still depended on His exaltation, He left them the fullest testimony that He had gone up into the heaven of heavens. During forty days He remained amongst them after His Resurrection; appearing to them from time to time; opening their minds to a spiritual perception of His offices and grace; and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God. At length He assembled the disciples in Jerusalem, and walked with them to Bethany. He gave them a promise of great moment: "Ye shall receive the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto Me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." With these last words He mingled His benedictions. He lifted up His hands, and blessed them; and it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. He ascended from Mount Olivet, the scene,

a few weeks before, of His deepest anguish—as though it were to teach us that "if we suffer with Him we shall also reign with Him," or that fierce temptation, met and wrestled with in prayer, is the harbinger of a joy unspeakable and full of glory; or that the field of conflict will prove at length the scene of triumph—the Garden of Gethsemane will become the Mount Olivet of our ascending praises. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

Whitsunday.

(Ten days after Ascension.)

"It is natural to believe that the Jewish festival of Pentecost passed automatically into the Christian Whitsunday, and, as might be expected, there is evidence of its observance from the first.

The former feast was in all probability to commemorate the giving of law, and was the birthday of the Church of Israel, and was also the great harvest festival. Hence the day was chosen by God Himself as the birthday of the Holy Catholic Church, and the commencement in the three thousand baptized, of the harvest of the Gospel. It is therefore a feast of Divine institution. The word *White-Sunday* seems to come from the fact that the vigil, like that of Easter, was a great occasion of Baptism, and there would be during the week a large number of newly baptized adults, gathered in from the heathen, wearing the white chrysoms."

Trinity Sunday.

"This day differs from all in the Christian year, for it does not celebrate an *event*, but a doctrine. It is to the Christian year, what the *Gloria Patri* is to the canticles, or what the Apostles' Creed is to matins and evensong, an ascription of praise of One God in three Holy Persons for all that we have learned about Him and received from Him. The word *Trinity* does not occur in the Bible; it is first found in the writ-

ings of Theophilus, Bishop of Antioch, in the year 181 A. D., who speaks of the three first days of creation as "types of the Trinity of God, and of His Word and of His wisdom." But though the word is not mentioned in the Bible, the doctrine is very clearly revealed; indeed, sufficient proof is found in the fact of our Lord sending His Apostles to baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; also it is proved by the separate manifestation of the Three Persons at our Lord's Baptism and by such passages as Eph. 2: 18, "Through Him (Christ) we both (Jews and Gentiles) have access by one Spirit unto the Father; "The grace of our Lord," etc. The reason for the adoption of the word "Trinity" was the growth of heresy, against which it was a convenient summary of the Catholic doctrine."

Missionary Offering.

In the packages of envelopes that are distributed to subscribers will be found inserted each month a blue envelope, in which it is hoped a contribution will be placed for missions. The contents of the white envelopes go toward the current expenses of the parish. The contents of the blue and the other colored envelopes are devoted to missions and other extra-parochial objects, such as the Episcopal and Convention Fund (to meet the expenses of the diocese), the Sustentation Fund (to supplement salaries of poorly paid clergymen in struggling parishes in the diocese), the Germantown Convocation (for the missionary work in the diocese) and other designated objects for which each parish is assessed. Christ Church parish is assessed for the general missions of the Church \$1200 per year. This amount is asked by the Board of Missions and goes toward the support of the missionaries in the domestic and foreign fields.

In our Christian giving we should not confine ourselves to our local needs, but our sympathies and our charities should reach out beyond our parish lines to the work of the Church in other fields. "Go ye into ALL the world and preach the

Gospel to every creature," was the parting command of our Lord, and every baptized member of the Church of Jesus Christ is pledged to obey that command and to co-operate to the best of his ability in the spread of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Objections to Foreign Missions.

"There are so many unconverted at home." So there were in Antioch when the Holy Spirit sent forth St. Paul and Barnabas. Others say, "All the men and means are needed at home;" the Christians at Antioch might have said the same; yet the Divine Spirit sent the best men to go to new fields of labor. While others even presume, in their ignorance or selfishness, to say, "The heathen are well enough off without the Gospel;" why, then, did our Lord command His disciples to go and preach to them, and why did the Holy Ghost send St. Paul to them?

Much credit is due to the Guild Choir of the parish for their faithfulness in attendance at the daily Lenten services. The music was excellently rendered and added greatly to the devotional spirit of the services. The members of the choir loyally supported the indefatigable efforts of the president, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, and the appreciation of the congregation is extended to all the members of the Choir.

Immediately, as soon as thou givest thyself to God from thy whole heart, and seeketh neither this nor that, according to thine own pleasure or will, but settlest thyself wholly in Him, thou shalt find thyself united and at peace; for nothing can afford so sweet a relish, nothing be so delightful, as the good pleasure of the Divine will.—Thomas a Kempis.

Vestrymen Elected.

The following is a report of the judges appointed to be present at the annual election of Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown:

Germantown, Phila., April 17, 1911.

We, the undersigned, duly appointed to act as judges of an election held this day for twelve Vestrymen of the Corporation known as Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, hereby certify that such an election was held this day between the hours of five and six o'clock P. M., according to notice duly given; that we attended thereat; that we received and counted all the votes at said election duly offered, and that the following-named persons were duly elected:

Chas. W. Schwartz
Jas. H. Ritter
Sheldon Potter
Wm. R. Pugh
Wm. N. Johnson, M. D.
Francis B. Falkner
J. M. Woodroffe
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J. I. MORRISON,

Judges of Election.

At the first meeting of the Vestry Mr. William R. Pugh was elected Accounting Warden and Mr. Francis B. Falkner, secretary.

The Rector appointed Mr. James H. Ritter, Rector's Warden.

The Envelope System of Giving.

Increased interest is manifested throughout the parish in "the envelope system" of giving toward the current expenses of the parish. Last year there was an increase over the previous year in the amount realized from this source. The Vestry are desirous of extending this system throughout the congregation, and they invite every one who worships in Christ Church to adopt it as the most sane, systematic and business-like method of meeting the required expense of the parish. At present less than

two hundred persons have availed themselves of this system. It should include every one who attends the services of Christ Church. If the number of subscribers were increased to four hundred persons, the full amount of the current expenses of the parish would be met and there would be no deficit to make up each year.

It is believed that with the present increased interest and self-sacrificing devotion that is manifested by a large number of the people in the parish many who are not now contributors through the envelope system, will be glad at this time to avail themselves of this method of giving. Mrs. Dayton, at the request of the Vestry, has consented to visit members of the parish who are not regular contributors, and invite them to agree to subscribe a definite amount each Sunday, ranging from five cents upward, according to each person's ability. The pledge card, with the amount indicated, is put in a sealed envelope, and sent to the Rector, or may be placed on the alms plate at any service. Every conscientious Christian will want to give what he or she can afford toward the support of the work of the church, and this method provides an opportunity for every one to give according to his or her ability. On receipt of the pledge card, duly signed, a package of envelopes, one for each Sunday of the year, will be sent to each subscriber. The children of each household, as well as adults, should be encouraged to give conscientiously through the envelope system, thus inculcating at an early age a spirit of unselfishness and fostering a devotion to the cause of Christ and His Church, which in later years will be a source of untold blessing to them, both in this world and in the world to come.

Pledge cards to be signed may be found in the vestibules of the church.

We commend the "Prayer to be Used at the Meetings of Conventions" (page 37 in the Prayer Book) to all our parishioners, to be used by them daily from now on and until after the close of the Diocesan Convention.

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EDITORIAL

It is indeed gratifying to be able to announce that, owing to the very generous contributions of our people, the Vestry is now in a position to realize our hopes of improving the Parish House. The Committee has been authorized to procure the detailed plans and specifications from the architect and to secure bids for the erection of the building. As soon as the bids are scheduled and compared the contract will be awarded and work begun. This means that we should have the use of the improvements when the fall work is started.

The editor is informed that the plans now posted in the vestibules will be the working basis for the proposed addition. However, it is expected that there will be some minor changes, and if any one of our readers has any ideas to place before the Committee regarding interior arrangement, he or she should do so at once. The Committee will welcome any intelligent and constructive criticism, and it is certainly our duty to place our opinions and desires before them for consideration. Every one must bear in mind that we are limited in expenditure to the sum of \$10,000, and that every personal wish cannot be complied with at this time; but the committee is anxious to do the most that can be done for every de-

partment of our parish activity, and desire the earnest help of every member of the congregation in arriving at the most desirable conclusion.

The dream of several years is at last about to be realized, and it is to be hoped that all will be pleased with and comfortably accommodated in the improved Parish House.

The present year, or volume, of the "Chimes" promised to be the most successful from a financial standpoint. At the outset we had a larger number of subscribers than at the beginning of any previous year, and this standard has been maintained throughout the volume, until at present we have a larger number of subscriptions than at any time since our first issue. We had expected to get through without asking for any financial assistance, but are compelled now to solicit aid.

In October last year, we, at the request of the Rector, printed and distributed six hundred extra copies as a missionary number. These copies were distributed from house to house throughout the parish in an effort to interest non-churchgoers in our church work and to invite them to identify themselves with Christ Church. Then at other times it was necessary, in order to provide the needed space for important news items, to have more pages of reading matter than our usual contract allowed. These two added expenses have entirely depleted our treasury, and unless some good friend comes to the rescue, we will be obliged to discontinue publication. This would be very unpleasant for the editors, and we believe a distinct loss to our parish work.

About eighteen dollars is needed to assure our expenses for the balance of the volume. May we not confidently expect this small amount to be forthcoming?

Men's Missionary Mass Meeting.

A missionary mass meeting for men will be held at the Academy of Music on Friday evening, May 5th, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Men's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions in the

Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The features of the meeting will be addresses by prominent men of the clergy and laity and a massed choir of the boys and men from the various churches in the Diocese.

This will be an opportunity for the men of our Diocese to demonstrate to the Church at large that the missionary spirit in Pennsylvania is not only alive, but active and militant; that the clergy and laity are jointly and aggressively at work for the Church's mission. Let all attend who can and bring with them that enthusiasm that will mark the success of the undertakings of the Men's Auxiliary.

Will you please apply through your rector for the exact number of tickets that the men of the parish will want? Inasmuch as the capacity of the Academy will be taxed to the utmost to accommodate all who want to attend, it is urged that you lodge your application for seats with the secretary at the earliest practicable date.

Confirmation Class.

On the fifth Sunday evening in Lent, April 2, the Rite of Confirmation was administered in Christ Church by the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D., to the following persons:

- Armstrong, I. Wayne
- Brown, Frederick William
- Crowder, Emma Atkins
- Connelly, Charles William
- De Beust, Jane Myrtle
- Dayton, Laura Henley
- Feist, Herbert Alexander
- Feist, Joseph William
- Flower, Marion Buck
- Harkins, George Washington, Jr.
- Hughes, Alice Perkins
- Hughes, Dorothy
- Hughes, Henry Butler
- Insinger, Thomas Harold
- Jones, Ethel May
- Robinson, George Witham
- Ritter, James Bradford
- Rowley, Miles King
- Stewart, Elizabeth
- Sutcliffe, Sylvia Vail
- Thomas, Elizabeth May
- Westling, Charlotte Hannah
- White, Marian Clarence
- Van Duzen, Jessie Olive

Men's Club.

The above heading will no longer appear in these columns, as at the meeting held on Friday evening, April 21st, the

name of the Club was changed to "The Neighborhood Club of Christ Church," with an emphasis on the second word. As the name implies, the Club will devote its energies to promoting the spirit of fellowship and friendliness among the men of this parish and neighborhood. Every man is entitled to membership, and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of the opportunity to assist in the good work.

At this meeting the speaker was Mr. Frederick S. Hall, secretary of the Pennsylvania Child Labor Committee, and he gave us a very interesting and enlightening talk on the work the committee is doing in an effort to protect the children of our State. His lecture was illustrated with lantern slides, which were projected by means of the new lantern which the parish now owns.

It is regretted that more men did not get out to this meeting, only about 20 being present. These speakers come out to us at considerable trouble to themselves, and our men should certainly take advantage of these opportunities to hear good talks on current and vital topics.

It has been decided to have the meetings of the Club monthly in the future, and from now on a meeting will be held on the third Friday evening of each month at 8 o'clock. The men are requested to make a note of these dates in the engagement books, and to come to the Parish House on each of these evenings to gain some pleasure for themselves and to help make the efforts of our Club a success.

The annual dues of one dollar were due in January, and those men who have not yet paid their dues are urged to send the same to the treasurer, Mr. C. L. Hayhurst, 165 Mayland street, as soon as may be possible. The Club has some modest expenses which must be met, and hence this request for payment.

J. G., Jr.

The New Club.

For some months past a certain group of young men of the parish have been discussing the advisability of forming a new club. About six or eight weeks ago these young men met together and decided to "start things." The result is

the new club known as the "C. S. K."

The meetings are held every Thursday evening in the Parish House, from 7.30 to 9.30 o'clock, during which time a very lively game of basket ball is played or some other equally interesting source of amusement is found.

Any young man between fourteen and seventeen years of age who desires to know the meaning of "C. S. K." may learn it by becoming a member of the Club, first interviewing any of the following members: Mr. John Davidson, honorary president; Thomas Ridsdale, treasurer; Clarence Gregory, Herbert Feist, William Feist, Merrill Barstow or Arthur Bevers.

A. W. B.

Sunday School.

The Easter Carol Service of the school this year was most pleasant and enjoyable. The school turned out in goodly numbers and entered heartily into the program prepared for the occasion. The singing was particularly good, and Mr. Miles deserves great credit for the way in which he trained the school in their carols.

At this service the regular promotions were made and diplomas were presented to the following:

From Primary Department to Intermediate Department—

- Frederick H. Belfield
- John Cookstock
- Jennie Dalsey
- Frank Ellis
- Margaret J. Hannan
- Lilian E. McCarty
- Barbara Miller
- Florence W. Nightingale
- Katherine A. W. Plucker
- Edith B. Thompson
- Maud M. Thompson
- Dorothy E. Warrick
- Clarence Whitley

From Intermediate Department to Main School—

- John Arndt
- Walter Abrams
- Philip Cannon
- Donaldson Cooper
- John Gravenstine
- Eleanor Hilyard
- Frances Laughlin
- Leonore Robinson
- Marie Warrick

The school at this service paid its first installment of \$300 on account of the pledge of \$1500 which it made last

Easter toward the Parish House Improvement, and at the same time the Mite Box offering will amount to over \$100, making a most creditable showing for a school with less than 300 members.

The Sunday-school has pledged itself to give each year for five years \$300 for the Parish House improvement fund. On Easter Day the school redeemed its annual pledge by turning over to the treasurer of the Fund \$324.12. This amount was made up of contributions and earnings, ranging from \$1.50 to \$138.25 from the following classes of the school:

Primary Department (Mrs. Charles Heyer, superintendent.)

Intermediate Department (Miss Ida Pastorius' Class, Miss Grace Middleton's Class).

Women's Bible Class (Miss Helen D. Wells, teacher).

Main School Classes:

- Miss Olive Kirkland
- Miss Phyllis Morgan
- Miss Walker
- Miss Mary Dahl
- Miss Maud Wismer
- Miss Gomersall
- Miss Grace Roop
- Mrs. Adkin
- Mr. John Gallagher
- Mr. John Davidson
- Mr. Richard H. Morris.

In addition to the above classes the Girls' Friendly Society and the Young Men's Class ("The S. S. C.") gave liberal contributions.

A deputation of business men, representing the Chambers of Commerce on the Pacific coast, has lately been visiting China to investigate commercial prospects there. During their visit they met a number of missionaries, and while at Hankow, the deputation in a body attended our St. John's Church, at an English service. At Wuchang, they attended Boone University, and they state that after what they had seen and heard in China every member of the deputation would be a friend of mission work.

Seward is likely very soon to be the most important town in all Alaska, as a railroad is being built to the interior of the country. During the last year a thou-

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sand men were employed in construction. Eight hundred white people are already residing in Seward. Much has been done by Bishop Rowe, Rev. C. F. Taylor and others towards the Christianizing of the people. A fine church has been built, the handsomest in all Alaska. There is a promising Sunday-school and a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. A hospital is to be built by the town's people without cost to the Church. The Rev. Thomas Jenkins, who recently visited the town and celebrated the Holy Communion, says:

"I can freely say that so far as my observation has gone there is not another town along the whole Alaskan coast that offers so good an opportunity for telling work as this." But, sad to say, the place is as yet without a resident clergyman, and it is hoped that a suitable man will soon volunteer for the post.

"What a friend we have in Jesus,"
Sang a little child one day;
And a weary woman listened
To the darling's happy lay.
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He could take her sin and care,
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When she came to Him in prayer

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The New Bishop Co-Adjutor and Bishop Suffragan of Pennsylvania

At the last Diocesan Convention, held May 9 and 10, the Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, Professor at Cambridge (Mass.) Divinity School, and the Rev. Thomas J. Garland, Secretary of the Diocese for the past seven years, were elected Bishop Co-Adjutor and Bishop Suffragan, respectively. An unusually high Christian feeling prevailed throughout the convention, both before and after the election. The election of neither of these men can be said to be a triumph for any "party."

The entire convention knelt in solemn prayer before proceeding to the election, and invoked the Holy Spirit to direct and guide them in their choice. And, as in the days of the Apostle, the Lord heard their prayer and "the lot fell upon Matthias and he was numbered with this Apostles," so now it was, we believe, in answer to prayer the Holy Spirit moved in the hearts of men gathered in the convention of the Apostolic Succession and "the lot fell upon Rhinelander and Garland and they were numbered with the Apostles."

Surely we, who believe in the efficacy of prayer and that "when two or three are gathered together in His name He will grant their request," must believe that God's promises are not in vain, and that His Holy Spirit still directs the

minds and hearts of those who call upon Him for light and guidance.

Both Professor Rhinelander and the Rev. Mr. Garland have accepted their election, and will be consecrated as Bishop Co-Adjutor and Bishop Suffragan, respectively, as soon as the consent of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses throughout the country can be obtained. This will probably be in the autumn. It is understood that Bishop Mackay-Smith will resign his office the early part of the new year, at which time the Bishop Co-Adjutor will succeed him.

The following account of the Bishop Co-Adjutor and Bishop Suffragan, elect, is taken from the "Churchman" of New York:

"The Rev. Philip Mercer Rhinelander, Bishop-Co-Adjutor-elect of Pennsylvania, has been since 1907 Professor of Religion and Missions at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, and is distinguished as a philosophical theologian and forceful writer. He has had, however, administrative experience also, for he was for seven years Canon Missioner and Examining Chaplain to Bishop Satterlee, having had at the same time charge of the Church of the Good Shepherd at Washington. Of a family distinguished in the annals of New York, Mr. Rhinelander was born in Newport, R. I., in 1860, and educated at St. Paul's, Concord, and at Harvard

University, from which he was graduated with honors in the Class of '92. Proceeding then to Oxford he studied under the late Dr. Bright and Dean Strong, and gained much from close contact with Canon Moberly. He was graduated at Oxford with a first class in the Honor School of Theology in 1896, was ordained deacon in that year in Washington and advanced in 1897 to the priesthood. In 1903 he was made professor of Church History at the Berkeley Divinity School, where he took the place of the present Bishop of Delaware, and remained there till his call to Cambridge in 1907. In 1909 he was elected Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South, an honor which he declined. In 1910 he was appointed vicar of Trinity chapel, New York, but declined that post also. Professor Rhinelanders is a keen thinker along philosophical lines, and though presented to the convention under High Church auspices, proved immediately acceptable to every school of ecclesiastical opinion. All recognized in him a wise interpreter of Christian theology in the relation to the problems of modern life.

The Rev. Thomas J. Garland, Bishop Suffragan-elect, came to the ministry from business, and is now in his forty-fifth year. He had been assistant manager of the largest steel manufacturing plant in Pittsburg. After passing his examination for Holy Orders he spent several years in study at Oxford and Cambridge, was ordained by Bishop Whithead in 1891, and made assistant minister at St. Peter's, Pittsburg. After two years in Ohio he came to the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and served as rector of Trinity Church, Coatesville, and afterward had charge of the mission of St. Paul's Church, Bristol. He was for a time assistant editor of "The Church Standard." For seven years he was secretary to Bishop Whitaker, and for six years he has been secretary of the diocese of Pennsylvania. Many of the burdens of ecclesiastical administration have fallen on him owing to the illness of Bishop Whitaker and the absence of Bishop Mackay-Smith. Since 1908 he has been secretary of the Third Missionary Department and has held many

diocesan offices of honor and trust. His large and varied experience has prepared him exceptionally for the duties of a suffragan."

Rector's Notes.

It will be seen by an article in another column that it has been thought best, in the interest of the safety of the children of our Sunday School, that the sessions of the School shall not be held in the Parish House during the summer months while the alterations of the building are in progress. It is with great regret to all that this conclusion has been arrived at, as our School, hitherto, has had the enviable record of an uninterrupted session throughout the year. It is possible, however, that some provision may yet be made whereby the School may have a short session each Sunday morning in the Church. This desire has been expressed by a number of the teachers and scholars of the School, and if such an arrangement can be made it will be carried out. It is surely a good indication of the love and the loyalty of the teachers and scholars of the School who remain in Germantown during the summer that they so reluctantly acquiesce in closing the School at any time or under any circumstances. The subject will come up for discussion at the next Teachers' Meeting to be held on the first Monday in June. Announcement of the decision will be made in the Church and Sunday School on the following Sunday.

Whatever may be the final decision this one thing is certain: a GREAT RALLY DAY—a rally day that WILL be a RALLY DAY—may be looked forward to in the fall, when we resume our regular sessions of the School in our new and improved quarters.

It will be a HOME COMING, and all the old reliables—officers, teachers, scholars and, we hope, a large number of new ones also—will be there.

In the meantime, let EVERY OFFICER, TEACHER AND SCHOLAR constitute himself or herself an EARNEST MISSIONARY to reach every boy or girl in the community who is not connected with another

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

JUNE AND JULY KALENDAR.

June 4—Whitsunday.
June 5—Whitsun Monday.
June 6—Whitsun Tuesday.
June 7, 9, 10—Ember Days.
June 11—Trinity Sunday, St. Barnabas.
June 18—First Sunday after Trinity.
June 24—St. John Baptist.
June 25—Second Sunday after Trinity.
June 29—St. Peter.
July 2—Third Sunday after Trinity.
July 9—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
July 16—Fifth Sunday after Trinity.
July 23—Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
July 25—St. James.

school and interest them in our Sunday School, and resolve to be present on "Home Coming Sunday" with renewed thought, and greater earnestness and deeper consecration to do the Master's work.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William B. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

On application of the Vestry of this parish, permission was given, at the last meeting of the Diocesan Convention, to amend the charter of Christ Church. The principal and most important change that was sought was in the method of election of vestrymen.

The old charter provided that twelve men shall be elected to serve for a term of one year. The amended charter will provide that the vestrymen shall be divided into four classes of three persons each. The term of office of the first class shall expire on Easter Monday of 1912. The term of office of the second class shall expire one year from that date. The term of office of the third class shall expire two years from that date. The term of office of the fourth class shall expire in three years from that date; so that three vestrymen shall be elected on Easter Monday of each and every year.

The amended charter has not yet been submitted to the State Legislature, but it is expected that by next Easter the new charter will go into effect.

The Parish House.

It is a pleasure to report there are prospects of an early commencement of work on the proposed addition to our Parish House. Your committee have had several meetings and have agreed upon plans which are now in the hands of the architect who has already invited bids from various builders. These plans will probably require some changes, but they are now in such shape that we hope building may begin this summer.

It may be said, speaking broadly, that the plans provide that the basement of the new building shall be fitted up as a game room, provision being made for showers baths, coat room, etc. The first floor is intended primarily for the use of the women of the congregation, for whom will be provided a parlor, class room, kitchen and other conveniences.

The second floor will contain a Rector's Study in the northwest corner; the remainder of this floor will be for such purposes as may commend themselves to the congregation and Sunday school in the future.

As there would naturally be considerable difficulty in matching the stone for the McCallum street front, it was decided to remove the present north wall of the Parish House, using the stone so gained for the McCallum street face. This will also remove the necessity of underpinning the north wall, which will now be rebuilt from the foundation. It seems this is not only the better but the cheaper method.

It is hoped these practical evidences of improvement will stimulate us to continued efforts in behalf of this important work, so we may not only enjoy our enlarged and modernized Parish House, but that our enjoyment will be increased by the knowledge that it has not been necessary to run greatly into debt.

For the Committee,

James H. Ritter.

Sunday School.

The plans for the extension and alteration to our Parish House are now in the hands of builders for estimate, and it is reasonable to expect an early realization of this long hoped for improvement.

The work proposed is of such a nature that attempts to use the building during this summer will necessarily hamper the operation, and also prove most unsatisfactory for all concerned. After consultation with Mr. Arndt and Mr. Potter I am requested to announce that after June 25th the sessions of the Sunday School will not be resumed until the condition of the building warrants, and due notice will be given of this date.

It is hoped the members of the school will now plan and redouble their efforts to redeem their pledge toward the cost of this work, and will return in the fall in increased numbers and with renewed interest to demonstrate that they are loyal to Christ Church, and that they appreciate the efforts being made for their comfort and pleasure.

O. N. Middleton.

Poor Children's Country Week.

The approach of warm weather reminds us of our usual custom of receiving an offering in Christ Church for the benefit of the Poor Children's Country Week. The object of this worthy charity is to send poor children and sometimes with them their overworked and frail mothers from the hot streets and alleys of our city into the country for a week or ten days, where the little children may romp and play in the fresh fields and have a change of pure air and wholesome food. No charity will appeal more thoroughly to the hearts of all than this Children's Country Week. The Rector was gratified last year to receive contributions from a number of benevolent persons, including some little folks in the Parish for this worthy object. It has been his custom to receive from the Country Week Association, the Bedford Mission and other charitable societies, names of very poor and worthy families who "live" in the squalid and congested por-

tions of Philadelphia. Each June the Rector devotes several days in personally visiting these families living in back alleys and cellars in the slums of our city and selects what he considers the most needy and distressing cases to be sent into the country for a week or ten days. The Rector thoroughly believes in personal charity. No material assistance can take the place of personal and individual interest. In these personal visits among these extremely needy people the Rector endeavors to minister to their spiritual needs as well as to bring them material help. The following is a letter received from Comly B. Shoemaker, Esq., president of the Bedford Mission, in response to money given by friends in Christ Church for the poor children's outing:

Bedford Street Mission,
519 Kater Street,
Philadelphia.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
59 West Tulpehocken St.,
Germantown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Arndt.

I am duly in receipt of your favor of the 27th inst., and carefully noted contents.

I was at our Mission a few days since, and received of Miss Boyd a report of your visits and generous contribution in aid of the suffering children, whom, I understand, you saw in their "homes." * * * Miss Boyd is acting promptly in sending relief and getting the children to the country, and every care will be exercised to use the money so kindly given us judiciously and in a way to do the most good.

Thanking you most kindly for both your visits and your substantial aid, I am,

Very sincerely,

COMLY B. SHOEMAKER,
President.

An offering will be received in Christ Church on the first Sunday morning in June for the Poor Children's Country Week. A generous contribution is asked for this most worthy charity. Checks may be sent to the Warden. Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal street, Germantown.

Summer Service.

The services during the summer months will be at the usual hours on Sundays, but will be shortened in form. The early celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 will remain the same. The service at 11 o'clock on the first Sunday of the month will be the Holy Communion, with sermon, and on other

Sundays simple Morning Prayer with sermon. The evening service will consist of shortened form of Evening Prayer with an address. The services during the summer will not be, in the least, fatiguing and as our church building is well ventilated and cool during the summer no one need remain away from the public worship of God in Christ Church on the plea of discomfort. The Friday afternoon service will be discontinued during the summer.

During the Rector's vacation the services of Christ Church will be in charge of the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry. Mr. McHenry is no stranger to the worshippers in Christ Church, as he very acceptably took charge of the services during the Rector's absence last summer and has also been assisting the Rector during the past winter.

Mr. McHenry is an unusually strong, practical preacher, and all who attend the services during the summer will be instructed and highly edified by his sermons. Mr. McHenry will be ready to respond to any call for his services at any time, day or night, if word is left at the rectory, or at his home, 238 West Apsley street, Germantown. His telephone number is "Germantown 3601."

It is very gratifying to note the increase in the number of persons who have availed themselves this spring of the envelope system of giving. The Vestry are desirous of extending this system until it includes every member in the parish. This systematic method of giving is found in all parishes to be the most satisfactory of any that has been devised toward carrying on the work of the church. It not only provides a definite income but also affords an opportunity for all, however limited their means may be, to share in the responsibility and privilege of giving to the furtherance of the work of the church. It is the gospel method, for we are told: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by in store, as God hath prospered him." 1 Corinthians XVI: 2.

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EDITORIAL

It is very likely that the near future will see operations begun on the addition to our Parish House. At the time of this writing, the bids are almost all in the hands of the architect and the contract will, in all probability be shortly awarded. Therefore now is none too soon to face and carefully consider the financial problem with which we are confronted. The contemplated addition and improvement will cost at least \$10,000 for the actual building alone, of course with heating apparatus included. This will not pay for any of the necessary furniture for either the new or the old building, and for this a considerable sum of money will be needed. The present plans provide for the ultimate use of the second floor, both for Sunday school and general auditorium purposes, and this will necessitate the entire refurnishing of the present Sunday School room. The semi-circular benches now in use are admirably adapted to their purpose, but would be absolutely useless in an auditorium, and some other method of seating must be evolved and provided.

Now, the purpose of all this explanation is to impress on all of our

minds the urgent necessity for united action on the part of all of our people toward the raising of the money needed. We have two objects to work for—first, the raising of as large a fund as possible now, and, second, the canceling of the mortgage debt as rapidly as our earnest efforts will permit. We must all work together for a common cause, and not allow our personal opinions or desires draw our efforts or attention away from the Parish House Improvement Fund until all the needed conveniences are provided and the debt canceled. Let us remember that this obligation will be assumed by the Vestry for us all as a congregation and that we must do our share in meeting our just debts as rapidly as is possible.

In the May number of the "Chimes," the Business Editor announced that eighteen dollars were needed to defray the expenses of the "Chimes" until the end of the present year, which will be September, 1911.

Thus far only two have volunteered to assist the Editors in this matter, and the money for printing the last and the present issues had to be advanced in order to pay the publisher. It must be apparent to all that unless the amount asked is forthcoming at once the publication of the "Chimes" must stop with the current issue, as the Editors will not be responsible for publishing the paper under the present conditions.

We are sure it is not the wish of the people of Christ Church that the "Chimes" be discontinued, and it is hoped that it may be announced by another issue, that the amount necessary to pay our back debt and provide for carrying on the work until the subscriptions are renewed in the fall has been secured.

Since our last issue subscriptions have been received from Mrs. Anne R. Warner and Miss R. Geib.

Mothers' Meeting. "The Busy Bees."

Not long ago—the month of March—"The Mothers," decided to have a "Sale" of articles, useful and ornamental, proceeds to help swell the Parish House Fund. So with light hearts and busy hands at the weekly meetings the fruits of interested effort began to assume shape, size and height, i. e., various piles of toweling—glass, dish and roller—also rows of cheese-cloth dusters, white and cream, some plain, others daintily feather-stitched color-de-rose, by deft and willing fingers. Not only were they busy bees at the circle, but unfinished work was taken home to be completed, and as if the fairy of love and ambition had waved her wand over these busy bees (not a drone in the hive) they merged into "Order clerks" and traveling salesmen, and presto change, our piles of work diminished, and in their place Uncle Sam's greenbacks and "Siller." So our advertised sale, has, instead been a continuous private sale because our kind patrons wanted the goods.

Time sped on and our closing meeting came on Wednesday, May 24th, with fitting "obsequies." Our regular service conducted by our good friend, the Rector, followed by recitations and music, according to the following program: Recitations by Misses Margaret Ifill, Eleanore Lawrence, Earle Biddle and a young lady friend of Mrs. Buckley; reading of a poem by Mrs. Cook. Music was gratuitously and beautifully rendered by Miss Steinmetz, after which, the grand march was led by the Rector and Mrs. Wenzell, to the inspiring hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers." Finally reaching the table of good things, ice cream, strawberries and dainty cakes, and two especially good things, not cakes, our Rector's "gude wife" and little Robert. Our ever-ready Rector presiding at table, gratuitously furnished mental tidbits, "feast of reason and flow of soul." Finally God's blessing invoked, a flutter of wings like a great buzz and the Bees had flown en-masse to their summer home, leaving only with us sweet

thoughts and pleasant memories.
Good-by.

L. H. D.

"Thanks."

The S. S. C. presented their play, "Higbee of Harvard," for the second time on Wednesday, May 24th, and the club wishes to heartily thank the members of the Parish for the kind and generous support accorded them. The spirit in which the play was received at each performance and the generous contributions, which made the play a financial success, are to say the least most gratifying to the club members, and a full and splendid return for our efforts in making it a success otherwise.

At the present time we cannot state the exact amount netted, but the \$35 necessary to meet our first Parish House Improvement Fund pledge, was easily cleared.

We wish to especially thank Miss Mabel Robinson, Miss Olive Kirkland, Miss Glenolene Brownlow, Miss Violet Anderson and Miss Marjorie Yost for their efforts in our behalf, and to congratulate them on the manner in which they played their parts. We are also indebted to Miss Kite and Miss Ifill for the pleasing special features with which they aided us; and as for the Highland Quartette, we are at loss for words to adequately describe our appreciation of their work.

We wish to again express our thanks to the members of the Parish for their kind support. We intend to give another play in the fall, and we can ask for nothing more than the support which this one received.

W. A. A., Jr.

Altar Guild.

On Thursday, April 27th, the Altar Guild spent a most enjoyable evening at the home of Mrs. William Avery, at which time the annual dinner was held. The Guild had the pleasure of having with them as their guests the

Rector and his father, Mr. David M. Arndt, to whom they are indebted for a great deal of pleasure. The sincere thanks of the Guild are extended to Mrs. Avery for her hospitality.

It would be greatly appreciated if persons having flowers would kindly notify the sexton, in order that they may be placed upon the Altar during the summer months.

H. P. D.

The Girls' Friendly Society.

The G. F. S. held their annual service at the Church of the Holy Trinity, May 4th. Our branch was well represented. The G. F. S. has been working hard during Lent on children's garments for the missionary box, which were on exhibition with the work of many other branches at this service.

We have finished with the study of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." Six of the girls took the examination, and Miss Olive Moore won the prize, which was "Old Chester Tabs," by Margaret Deland. We are now beginning "Julius Caesar."

The girls are making and selling towels for the benefit of the improvement fund.

We contemplate giving a Japanese tea on June 14th.

All are invited to join us in our festivities.

Come and be sociable.

E. M. M.

The Accounting Warden requests us to ask of all subscribers through the envelope system, who contemplate being absent during the summer a special favor to the church. It is his custom to meet promptly and in full all bills for current expenses of the parish as soon as they are due. When a considerable number of contributors are absent for any length of time the income of the parish suffers thereby, and for the good name of the parish he has sometimes been compelled to borrow money during the summer in order to meet the

financial needs. There are many persons who do not leave Germantown during the summer and the need of the services and the ministrations of the church continue in summer as well as in winter. If contributors through the envelopes who intend to be absent, will kindly enclose in their envelopes, before they leave, the amounts of their subscription for the Sundays they expect to be away, it will greatly relieve the Warden of an embarrassing situation and will contribute to the credit of the parish, of which all are justly proud.

Choir Notes.

On the Friday evening preceding Easter Sunday the choir presented the choirmaster with a silk folding umbrella after the rehearsal. Mr. Rile greatly appreciated the gift, expressing, as it did, the good-will existing between the choristers and himself.

On Wednesday evening, May 10th, the choir, in a body, went to hear Massenet's beautiful opera, "Thais," which was given in the city.

The following new members have joined the choir during the last two months—Mrs. A. Cox, Misses V. Anderson, Whitehead and Hesser.

A most pleasant evening was spent by the choir on Wednesday, May 24th, the members being entertained by one of the ladies of the Parish at her home.

A pedestrian club has been formed among the choristers to take trips to nearby points. The first was made Saturday afternoon, May 27th, to Chestnut Hill, via Wissahickon, returning by trolley.

The prize of ten dollars given by the choirmaster to the chorister having the best attendance from September last to the end of May, 1911, was won by Misses Collisson and L. Hayhurst, neither having missed a service nor rehearsal in that time. A second prize (a large Church hymnal) was won by Miss Lindsay, she having been absent but nine times since entering the choir, October 1st, 1910.

T. H. H.

Guild Choir.

The Guild Choir of Christ Church, Germantown, has discontinued for the summer months their regular participation in the services of the Church.

The secretary reports a marked interest in the work of the choir by the members of the Church, there being an average of 6 members present in the choir during the 42 Lenten services.

The minutes of the Guild Choir show that the membership, which is limited to 30, consists at present of 22 members. It is proposed that the full number be made up during the coming fall and winter by members of the Church volunteering their services to help along this most worthy work, and it is hoped that there will be a number of applicants for the 8 vacancies.

All applicants will hand in their names to the Rector and their voices will be tried by the committee.

The membership is limited to members of the Church over the age of 18 years, and the annual dues are 50c.

The treasurer reports the purchase last year of 7 new hymnals for the exclusive use of the Guild Choir.

B. M.

A House Warming.

It is proposed to have a glorious HOUSE WARMING at the opening of our new Parish House in the fall. It is expected to have the Parish House finished in October and at the opening there will be a general Parish Reception and Social entertainment for ALL THE MEMBERS AND ATTENDANTS of Christ Church. The date and program of this entertainment cannot be definitely fixed at present, but in the fall announcement will be made in "The Chimes." Suffice it to say, the event will be a most enjoyable one for all and everybody is asked to begin to prepare for it NOW, and it is hoped everyone will be present.

In addition to other features there will be a sale of useful and fancy articles and all are invited to contribute such articles to be placed on sale on that occasion.

The summer is a good time for the ladies to devote to the making of all kinds of fancy and useful articles which

will be cordially welcomed by the committee in charge. It is hoped that there will be a generous response to this invitation and that the PARISH HOUSE WARMING will be looked forward to and enjoyed by every member, old and young, in the Parish.

Watch "The Chimes" for definite date and program!

Whitsun-Tide.

The Whitsun Festival comes ten days after the Ascension, and the rejoicing is prolonged over the two days that follow the Sunday.

We should associate "Whitsun" with "Pentecost," from which word it is derived. This is not Whit Sunday, as some say. It is not Whit for White, or Whit for Wit, meaning wisdom, but Whitsun is a form of Pfingsten which is the equivalent for Pentecost. The old Jewish feast of Pentecost became a Christian festival because of the marvelous outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

He is the great Life Giver, the pulse and heart of Nature, the spring and fountain of all existence. He it is who dwells in believers as in a sacred temple. He gives many graces and virtues to men, and purifies them for God's service here and hereafter.

Trinity-Tide.

The Trinity season includes about one-half of the Christian year. It begins with the Sunday that follows Pentecost and continues until Advent. There are twenty-six Sundays, more or less. It is not only on Trinity Sunday that we express our belief in the doctrine of the Trinity which has been revealed to us and that we rejoice in the great truths made known as to the nature of Deity, but the fact that God is the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, with all the blessed consequences, is acknowledged always and always devoutly received by all who believe in the revelation He has made of His own being. It is only through His own pouring forth of light that we know Him. Our fullest and highest knowledge comes through the incarnation of the Son. Into every soul that accepts the incarnation there

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comes the Spirit, who dwells there and sanctifies the believer unto the unending life.

Vacation Sundays.

People living near some of the summer resorts have a saying that many of the visitors seem to leave their religion at home. Judging by the neglect of public worship and the disregard of the sacredness of the Lord's Day, the saying seems to be true.

A lady who was staying at a large hotel said that at the hour of morning service she and a few others were all, out of the crowd of hotel guests, who obeyed the summons of the nearby church bell to come and worship the Lord.

Wherever you may be this summer on your vacation, when the Lord's Day comes, find your way to the Lord's House. If there is no place of worship, get a few people to come together with you and read the service from the prayer book.

In addition to keeping up public worship on the Lord's Day, set a good example in avoiding whatever is not in harmony with the sacredness of the day.

Sunday should not be the time for noisy recreations or trifling entertainments. Nor should it be devoted to receptions, parties and feasts.

It need not be a dull day, but there are ways of making it bright and cheerful without destroying its sacred character.

Our Own.

If I had known in the morning
How wearily all the day
The words unkind
Would trouble my mind
I said when you went away,
I had been more careful, darling,
Nor given you needless pain;
But we vex "our own"
With love and tone
We may never take back again.

For though in the quiet evening
You may give us the kiss of peace,
Yet it might be
That never for me
The pain of the heart should cease.
How many go forth in the morning
That never come home at night!
And hearts have broken
To harsh words spoken
That sorrow ne'er can set right.

We have careful thoughts for the
strangers,
And smiles for the sometime guest;
But oft for "our own"
The bitter tone,
Though we love "our own" the best.
Ah! lips with the curve impatient!
Ah! brow with that look of scorn!
"Twere a cruel fate
Were the night too late
To undo the work of morn.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
} 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

Rector's Notes.

The Rector returned from his vacation the last week in August greatly refreshed by his rest. During his absence the angel of death has entered five homes in the parish and called away loved ones to their Heavenly Rest. The sympathy of many friends go out to these bereaved ones, and we pray that our Heavenly Father, who has called unto His own our blessed dead, will vouchsafe them light and rest, peace and joy in the companionship of the saints, in the presence of Christ, in the ample folds of His eternal love.

"The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them."—Rev. vii. 17. "It is not in definite human phrases, but by symbols and shadow only, that the realities of the unseen life are pictured to us. Yet this we may safely say, that there is a real Eucharistic fellowship between our departed ones and ourselves.

"If our merciful Lord 'prepares a table for us in the wilderness,' He prepares one also within the veil. Both here and there the Divine Food is the same; the Great Eucharist is the same; save only that they have passed within the inner courts of the Temple, while we tarry for a while without. . . . Let us then dwell on the blessed fellowship, for this surely is the great thought that possesses us—our unbroken union in

this Holy Mystery with those who have passed beyond the veil. This is the great bond that binds us in one. St. Paul says 'the bread which we break, is it not the Communion of the Body of Christ?' i. e., the medium of intercommunion between all the members of the Mystical Body, the fellowship of all with Christ and with one another, bringing into mysterious contact the visible and the invisible. Yes, surely that they all may be one in the unity of Divine Life; I in them and Thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one.—Charles Kingsley, "All Saints' Day."

"Before one altar kneeling,
We worship side by side,
Thy sacred Presence feeling,
O Jesus, Crucified.
With angels and archangels,
We offered praise and prayer;
But some who knelt beside us,
No more may worship there.

Yet in the high thanksgiving;
We deem they bear their part;
The blessed dead, the living,
Alike are one in heart;
Although their holy voices
Have soared to loftier strains,
The one great Church rejoices,
That fellowship remains.

And so in full Communion
We offer praise and prayers,
They in our hearts remembered
As we are borne in theirs.
At one High Altar kneeling,
We worship side by side;
The same dear Presence feeling
O Jesus, Crucified."

The Rector calls the attention of all women in the parish to the announcement in another column of the meeting of the Women's Auxiliary (the Women's Missionary Society), which will be held the first meeting on Wednesday afternoon, November 1st, at four o'clock. It is the duty, nay more, it is the privilege of every Christian woman to enlist in the missionary cause of the church. No one, man or woman, can be consistently called a Christian who willfully ignores Christ's great command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." It is "to spread the kingdom of God" on the earth that Christ came and suffered and died. Therefore, every member of His church, every loyal follower of Jesus Christ, will seek in every way possible to help further this work to help to bring to pass the answer to Christ's last prayer "that they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in Me and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us."

The Rector prayerfully hopes that there will be a call of the Holy Spirit to the Christian womanhood in this parish during the coming winter such as will arouse in every heart a deeper sense of the personal responsibility that rests on every Christian to become actively interested in Christian missions. The Rector urges every woman in this parish who has hitherto failed to respond to her Christian duty and privilege in regard to missions to come forward and crown her Christian womanhood with a solemn resolve to pray, to work, to give to Christian missions.

"Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;

Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;

Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious,

And all thou spendest Jesus will repay."

The Men and Religion Forward Movement.

Too long has the great business of the church, namely, the extension of the kingdom of God over all the world, been

left to the women of the church. In the past the greatest interest in the missionary work throughout the world has been taken by unselfish and untiring, consecrated Christian women. The times have changed. The men of our land are beginning to realize their Christian obligation in the extension of Christ's kingdom. God is calling to the Christian manhood of America to enthrone His Son. Thousands of men throughout the land are responding to the call. Their ranks will be increased to millions. The greatest war in history is now on, but the weapons are to be the weapons of peace. We shall win by the Cross. The next few years are to witness the sublimest heroism of the centuries, and the present Laymen's Missionary Movement will far outrank the Renaissance or the Reformation in its effect upon the world. No one can foresee the end. Thrones have fallen through far less important beginnings. Who can tell how far-reaching the effect when determined Christian men, standing upon God's Word, and filled by His Spirit, enthrone Christ in their lives and seriously enter upon the conquest of the world. Nothing in earth or hell can stand against the Church of Christ when Christian men in the spirit of their Lord yield to His leadership. Every man in whose heart burns the flame of Christian manhood will want to have a share in this glorious warfare. "It is a man's job," said a prominent layman to the Rector not long since, "and it calls forth all the virility and heroism of the best manhood of the land." Yes, it is a "man's job," as this layman bluntly put it, this glorious work of Christian service, and we hope and pray that the Christian men of this parish will realize this call to their Christian duty and fall in line with the aroused Christian manhood of the land and share in the glorious privilege of praying and working and giving for the spread of Christ's kingdom on earth.

A missionary service in the interest of the Laymen's Missionary Movement will be held in Christ Church on Sunday, November 12th. Addresses will be made by prominent laymen. All men in the parish are especially urged to be present.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

KALENDAR FOR OCTOBER.

October 1—Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.
October 8—Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.
October 15—Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.
October 18—S. Luke's Day.
October 22—Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
October 28—S.S. Simon and Jude Day.
October 29—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

The various societies of the parish are now resuming their meetings, after the summer holiday, and are preparing for an aggressive winter's work. An opportunity is afforded to every one, through these parish societies, to become interested in some form of active Christian work.

For further information, please apply to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, after any service, or he may be addressed at 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood St. Andrew, 2nd and 4th
Tuesday 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club, 1st and 3rd
Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Teachers' meeting 1st Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Bible Study Sunday, 10.45 A. M.
Woman's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary) 1st Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Fridays, 4.00 P. M.

There are societies for boys and girls and for men and women, of all ages and classes, and a cordial invitation is extended to every one in this community to become identified with one or more of these parish activities. There is need of earnest workers in every department of the parish. Never before has there been a grander opportunity in this parish to do a great work for Christ and His kingdom. During the past year we have lost by death and removal many faithful workers. We miss them greatly, but the work must go on, and others must take up and carry on the work laid down by them. An earnest appeal is made to every one in this community who wishes to rise above a mere selfish existence into a life of consecrated service to come forward now at the beginning of this winter's work and enlist among those who are trying, feebly it may be, but conscientiously, to be of some help to others in the hard struggle of life and to bring a little nearer to earth the kingdom of

love. Our religion becomes the religion of Jesus Christ only when our lives, filled full of devotion and love to Him, find expression in unselfish service to others.

Church Periodical Club

As the autumn days have come and we are all turning our faces homeward and our thoughts to our winter's work, may we call your attention once more to the work of the Church Periodical Club! Do you realize what the term stands for? Many there are who do not! But look into it and learn its purport, and the great work that stands waiting for it to do, and the help that you can be, with so little trouble and so little expense: i. e., to give away that which you do not want. The cry for reading matter is as plaintive and pathetic and far-reaching as the cry for food and clothing. We can all imagine what starvation of the mind might mean, although none of us have really experienced such a state; our complaint is more often, "When will I ever be able to read all I have about me?"

So, out of your abundance will you not take the time and trouble to help the thousands of people in isolated places and conditions hungering for reading matter by sending as much as you can of your periodicals, each month or week, as you finish with them? Do not stack them up in your lockers for months and years and then turn them over to your librarian, thus causing an extra amount of work and a large outlay of money for freight and boxing. At the same time remember what your periodicals mean to you each month, so cannot you pass this happy anticipation to your less fortunate fellowmen, women and children? If you must keep your magazines until you have an accumulation, please do not send the bulk to the Parish House, but write to your librarian for an address and look after the boxing and shipping yourself.

The C. P. C. would be so happy to provide addresses for periodicals of all kinds whatsoever: religious, secular, scientific, mechanical or juvenile, as well as contributions of money, for you know

the organization must be supported, so we are grateful for anything, either large or small.

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Opportunities for Persons Who Desire to Give

The following objects in the parish invite the generosity of persons who desire to do something for Christ Church, either in the form of a memorial, a gift, or a thank offering for Divine favors.

New furnishings for the main Sunday-school Room.

Chairs for the new Guild Rooms.

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A Parish Gathering—A Home Coming

On the completion of the new parish house addition the members of the parish and their friends will be given an opportunity to meet in the parish house to inspect the improvements that have been made. A parish gathering, a Home Coming, will be held the latter part of October, when every member of the parish is invited to attend. An interesting program will be arranged, and the definite date will be announced later. A cordial invitation is extended in advance to every attendant at the services of Christ Church and their friends to be present at the Home Coming to be held the latter part of October.

The members of Christ Church will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Dayton, who so acceptably acted as Parish Visitor last year, will resume her duties on the first of October.

The Sunday school assembled for the winter session on Sunday morning, September 17. While the enlargement to the Sunday school room is not yet completed it was thought best that the school should assemble on this date and prepare for the "Rally Day Service," which will take place on Sunday, October 8.

In the meantime let every teacher hunt up all absent scholars and let every scholar be present on that opening day of the school. We welcome every boy and girl in this vicinity to Christ Church Sunday School. We have now enlarged quarters for our school, and one of the most attractive Sunday school rooms in the city. We hope that every scholar in the school will do active missionary work this fall by bringing their friends to the school. We also want more earnest, consecrated workers in our Sunday school, and any who may volunteer their services will be cordially welcomed. Remember the date of Rally Day, Sunday, October 8, at 9.30 o'clock. Let every one be present, be on time, be filled with earnestness and enthusiasm to make this coming winter's session of our Sunday school a success in the highest sense of the word.

Before entering on the regular winter's session of the Sunday school the officers, teachers and scholars who have been confirmed will desire to draw near to God in the Holy Communion and, in the words of the consecration prayer, "offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Thee." On the Sunday morning of October 8, at half-past 7 o'clock, there will be a Corporate Communion of the members of the school and the friends and parents of the scholars. Between now and that time let every friend of the school

offer up prayers on behalf of our Sunday school, its teachers, its officers and its scholars. "O God, Holy Ghost, sanctifier of the faithful, visit, we pray Thee, the teachers, officers and scholars of our Sunday school with Thy love and favor, enlighten their minds more and more with the light of the everlasting Gospel; graft in their hearts a love of the truth; increase in them true religion; nourish them with all goodness; and of Thy great mercy keep them in the same, O blessed Spirit, whom, with the Father and the Son together, we worship and glorify as one God, world without end. Amen."

On Sunday morning, October 15, the annual offering for the Germantown Convocation will be taken. A booklet, giving a brief account of the missionary work done by the Germantown Convocation will be found in the vestibules of the church. Members of the congregation are invited to take copies of the booklet and read the contents carefully. We are sure that an intelligent understanding of the importance of this missionary work right at our doors will enlist the generous support of more of our people.

The amount that our parish is asked to give in support of the work of the convocation, together with the Sustentation Fund, is \$202.00. This amount is asked for on Sunday morning, October 15.

The Mothers' Meeting will begin on the second Tuesday in October (October 10) in the Parish House, at half-past 2 o'clock. It is hoped that all the former members of the meeting will be present on that day and new members will be cordially welcomed. The meeting will be in charge of Mrs. J. I. Morrison, assisted by Mrs. Rubens Humphrey.

The Friday afternoon service has been continued, and it is hoped that more of our people will endeavor to attend this week-day service. Evening Prayer every Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

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EDITORIAL

With this issue will end Volume IX of Christ Church Chimes. Nine years may well be considered a long run for a church paper to have without interruption, and the Rector and editors are proud of this fact. Nevertheless it was not accomplished without effort and expense.

This number is published on faith—our funds are exhausted and the editors owe the publisher \$18.00 to date. Who will volunteer to make up the deficit? We have not the least doubt that there are many friends in the parish who will come forward and enable us to close up the year with a clear balance sheet.

Now we come to a more serious matter: Shall the "Chimes" be continued for another year? The receipts during the past year were not sufficient to pay the cost of publishing and some small incidental expenses which were incurred. Under these conditions the Rector and editors have decided not to continue the "Chimes" unless the parishioners show by their prompt renewal of subscriptions and contributions that they think the paper worth supporting.

It is customary to publish 10 issues (the summer numbers being combined) at a cost above receipts from advertisements of \$60.00 per year. As may be seen this requires at the least 120 subscriptions to make good our expenses. Last year we received 87 subscriptions—hence our deficit.

While the editors wish it were possible to furnish the "Chimes" without cost to our people, it must be realized that the paper cannot be published without expense, and we hope and believe by the first of October enough money will be in hand to warrant the continuance of our parish paper.

Miss Mary Dahl has authority to collect subscriptions, or the same may be handed or sent to any of the editors. As the Rector is very anxious to continue the "Chimes" it is hoped that prompt response will be made to this appeal.

It has been decided to ask those who desire the "Chimes" mailed to contribute 10 cents extra to our fund. This will just pay for the necessary stamps and will aid the work just that much.

A Meeting of the Men of the Parish.

There are several matters of importance which the Rector wishes to submit to the *men of the Parish* for their consideration. It is impossible for him to visit all the men at their homes, and if he were to do so he could probably not fix upon a time when he would find them in. He is very anxious to have a talk to all the men and to this end he asks that *every man in the Parish* will kindly meet him in the Parish House on Friday evening, October 20th, at eight o'clock. This is the first time the Rector has called all the men of the Parish together, and he hopes that there will be a general response to the call.

Will every man please make note of the date and be present, Friday evening, October 20, at eight o'clock.

The Daughters of the King

In the early morning of Thursday, August 24, our beloved president, Mrs. James Y. Humphrey, entered into those joys of paradise prepared for those who love Him.

Her illness was brief, and her departure so unexpected as to shock deeply those who loved her. She was a charter member of our chapter, and to further its success gave of her time and strength unreservedly.

Whatever she undertook was promptly, efficiently and lovingly done, and with a pleasure that showed she had caught the secret of all work done for her Master.

We must come forward to take up the work she has now laid aside, but though, in the years to come, its earthly record may grow dim, the heavenly one will remain untarnished in the safe keeping of Him with whom not even a cup of cold water given "for His sake" goes unnoticed.

We resume our meetings on Monday evening, October 9, at 8 o'clock in the parish house. Will every member kindly make a special effort to be present?

G. M. R.

What Four Presidents Think of Missions

Benjamin Harrison: These missionaries going into foreign lands do not go to disturb the political conditions of the States they enter; not at all. They preach no crusade, incite no rebellion; but work by instilling the principles of the Gospel of Christ—the doctrine of the unity of man; that God made of one blood all people; that not titles, nor rulers, nor the outer things at all, but the heart is the seat of judgment and esteem; and this doctrine, working its quiet way through the world, will yet bring in the kingdom that is promised.

William McKinley: I am glad of the opportunity to offer, without stint, my tribute of praise and respect to the missionary effort which has brought such wonderful triumphs for civilization. The story of Christian missions is one of

thrilling interest and marvelous results.

Theodore Roosevelt: When I came back, I wished it had been my power to convey my experience to those people—often well meaning people—who speak about the inefficiency of foreign missions. No more practical work, no work more productive of fruit for civilization, could exist than the work being carried on by the men and women who give their lives to preaching the Gospel of Christ to mankind.

William H. Taft: Until I went to the Orient, until there were thrown on me responsibilities with reference to the extension of civilization in those far-distant lands, I did not realize the immense importance of foreign missions. The truth is, we have got to wake up in this country. We are not all there is in this world. There are lots of people besides us who are entitled to our effort and our money and our sacrifice to help them on in the world."

Envelope Contributors

Most of the envelope contributors have been prompt in paying up the amounts of their pledges, but a few are in arrears. Will all persons who contribute through the envelopes kindly make up their arrears as soon as possible so that the Warden may be able to meet promptly the financial obligation of the parish?

Entered Into Life Eternal.

Mary Frances Serrill—June 17th, aged 51 years.

Daniel C. Clarke, June 24th, age 77 years.

Frank L. Donlevy, July 4th, age 45 years.

Mrs. Celeste Ray—August 13, age 81 years.

Mrs. Miriam Fiss Humphrey—August 24th, age 71 years.

Oliver C. Lippincott—September 5th, age one year.

Mrs. Katherine McCoy—August 27th.

A Training School and Conference for Sunday School Teachers and Other Church Workers

- Training School Teacher** An opportunity will be given to our Sunday School teachers and others to attend a series of Instructions and Conferences on Sunday School lessons and work. The following is the program and all persons in the Parish are cordially invited to attend these meetings, to be held from Monday, September 25th, to Friday, September 29th, inclusive, at the Church Training and Deconess House. Beginning on each afternoon with a short service, there will be successive periods of study and conference as follows:
- 3:45-4:45. **MONDAY**—The Art of Story Telling. Miss Mary Adair, Philadelphia Public Schools.
- TUESDAY**—Bible Stories. Miss Mary Adair.
- WEDNESDAY**—Hand Work in the Sunday School. Miss Constance Du Bois.
- THURSDAY**—Life Decisions and the Teen Years. Mrs. Antoinette A. Lamaraux, Chicago.
- FRIDAY**—The Girl Problem. Mrs. Antoinette A. Lamaraux.
- 5:00-6:00. **MONDAY**—Survey of Our Home Mission Field. Rev. A. R. Van Meter.
- TUESDAY**—Survey of Our Foreign Mission Field. Rev. A. R. Van Meter.
- WEDNESDAY**—Lessons from Sunset Lands. Rev. Edwin W. Rice, D. D., Philadelphia Sunday School Union.
- THURSDAY**—The Book of Common Prayer. Rev. W. Herbert Burk.
- FRIDAY**—How to Teach the Prayer Book. Rev. W. Herbert Burk.
- 6:15-7:30. Supper served in the Deaconess House. Tickets at 35c each, to be purchased in advance.
- 7:30-8:00. Conference and Questions. Rev. Herman L. Duhring.
- 8:00-9:00. Illustrated Lectures.
- MONDAY**—The Church Established in England. Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.
- TUESDAY**—The English Reformation. Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.
- WEDNESDAY**—The Conflict with the Puritans and the Modern Church of England. Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.
- THURSDAY**—The Use of the Lantern in the Sunday School. Rev. W. Herbert Burk.
- FRIDAY**—How We Got Our English Bible. Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, B. D.

All Sunday School teachers, officers and other Church workers are most cordially invited to attend these lectures, to which it is suggested they should bring note books and pencils in their respective subjects. There will be an exhibit of Sunday School and missionary books.

Death of Frank L. Donlevy.

On July 4th Mr. Frank L. Donlevy, vestryman of Christ Church, passed from this life into life eternal. Mr. Donlevy had been in failing health for some time past, and recently was compelled to give up his active business career. Through his own efforts and ability Mr. Donlevy succeeded in building up a large and prosperous business, and he was highly respected in the business world as a man of sterling integrity and honor. As a member of Christ Church he was generous, loyal and faithful. Whenever health permitted, he was always in his pew, and he will be greatly missed by all. At a special meeting of the Vestry, held July 7th, the following resolutions were passed:

Whereas: We are called upon to mourn the loss of our fellow vestryman, Frank L. Donlevy, who has been taken from us in the prime of life and of usefulness.

And whereas, Mr. Donlevy has been a faithful member of this Vestry for more than ten years, and has endeared himself to all by his devotion to the Church and his activity in its interests, as well as by his Christian character.

Therefore, Be it resolved that we deeply deplore his loss and that these resolutions be published in the Churchman and in the Christ Church Chimes, and that a copy of same be sent to his family, with the assurance of our deep sympathy with them in their sorrow, which we share.

F. B. FALKNER,
Secretary.

"A saint has been called to rest." These words were said of Mrs. James Y. Humphrey, whose soul entered Paradise in the early hours of Thursday morning, August 24th. No woman in the Parish was more highly respected than she. Every one who knew her loved her. Never has this Parish had a more unselfish, devoted, consecrated woman than Mrs. Humphrey. For many years she was active in almost every good work in the church. Her first thought was how

she might do good to some one. To the day of her death she lived and sacrificed for others. All the older members of the Parish knew her, respected her, lived her; the young people and the children of the Sunday-school looked upon her as their devoted "mother." The poor and the needy she was continually visiting and comforting, and they regarded her as their "ministering angel." Wherever Mrs. Humphrey went her presence shed a benediction. She will be greatly missed by all, but her beautiful life still lives on in the lives of others whom she has influenced and inspired.

She now lives in the fuller joy of the presence of that Saviour whom she so devotedly loved and faithfully served on earth. It may truly be said of such a saint of God: "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Our Parish House.

At last the dreams of years, and the self-denial and sacrifice of our people have become visible in shapely walls of stone and mortar, and our enlarge and renovated Parish House is beginning to assume not only form and beauty, but a promise of great usefulness.

The north addition can hardly fail to please every one. The ground floor affords precisely the facilities so long needed for the sports of young people. They are being finished in a most durable manner, while the solid flooring and high ceiling make them well fitted for some of the rougher games so dear to the hearts of boys, who will be still more pleased by the shower baths, etc., provided for their convenience.

The second floor is also most attractive. In the northwest corner is the Rector's study. The remainder of this floor is as yet unassigned, but it is so bright and well lighted that it will not be allowed to remain undisposed very long. This is where more money is needed, so that this second floor may be quickly adapted and put to use.

The main Sunday-school room is prac-

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tically unchanged, except that the division of the first floor made it necessary to regard the second floor as our main audience room. This will necessitate purchase of furniture, which may be used either for Sunday-school purposes or for a general assembly. In this case the present semi-circular benches must be removed, somewhat to the regret of some of the older members to whom these old forms are dear.

As for the first floor, we can hardly say it is "all glorious within," but with most careful planning it has been divided into several rooms, including a kitchen, ladies' cloak room, and other rooms suitable for the uses of the various men's or women's associations of the Parish. It has been a great problem how to plan these rooms so as to give light and air to all, but we think the present plan is the best possible.

It is hoped that in another month all will be in readiness for a Parish House warming, which we trust will be attended by every member of our Parish, so all may share in our rejoicing in the completion of a work which promises so much comfort and increase of usefulness to our people.

In the next issue of the "Chimes" we shall endeavor to give you the financial side of the matter. At this time, let us be glad our desires and hopes are now nearing realization.

J. H. R.

It is a marvel how much clergymen do under the conditions. The minister is the only man in the community who has responsibility without authority. He can command nobody. Most of them haven't one paid helper. Suppose a man is responsible for results in his office, and yet his office force may work or not as they choose; and never are they all there. Yet this is the condition under which clergymen do their work. They are responsible for results. They need a large body of helpers to produce the results. But they can command nobody; and they never know how many will be there. Neither the doctor nor the lawyer will accept responsibility unless he is in control and his orders are carried out. But the minister, and he alone, has responsibility without a particle of authority. It is a marvel that he does so much.—The Church Militant.

As God leads I am content;
He will take care
All things by His will are sent
That I must bear.
To Him I take my fear,
My wishes while I'm here;
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When I am there.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

ALL SAINTS' DAY.

"The Communion of Saints."

"Beside the dead I knelt for prayer
And felt a presence as I prayed;
Lo! it was Jesus standing there,
He smiled: 'Be not afraid!'"

"Lord, Thou hast conquered death, we
know;

Restore again to life,' I said,
'This one who died an hour ago.'
He smiled: 'She is not dead!'"

"Asleep, then, as Thyself didst say,
Yet Thou canst lift the lids that keep
Her prisoned eyes from ours away!
He smiled: 'She doth not sleep!'"

"Nay, then, tho' happy she do wake,
And look upon some fairer dawn,
Restore her to our hearts that ache!
He smiled. 'She is not gone!'"

"Yet our beloved seem so far
The while we yearn to feel them near,
Albeit with Thee we trust they are.
He smiled: 'And I am here!'"

"Dear Lord, how shall we know that they
Still wait unseen with us and thee,
Nor sleep, nor wander far away?"
He smiled: "Abide in Me!"

Why should we speak of the faithful
departed as dead? The early Chris-
tians were taught to believe that the
blessed ones who were delivered from
the burden of the flesh were not more
"in Christ" than they themselves were;
that all were equally "in the Vine," knit
together in One Communion and Fel-
lowship in the Mystical Body of God's
dear Son. If only we will read our
Bible and cherish by prayer to the Holy
Spirit the thought that the spirit of our

dear dead is still with us, while we are
looking at the body; that we are still
one in the fellowship of the Saints, then
that thought will become as much a
part of our being as the knowledge
that the Lord Himself is with us. In
the chamber of death we will at once be
able to look at the body as separate
from the spirit. We will think how
happy that spirit is, and how it loves us
and is with us still.

What can the world offer to those
who mourn so blessed as these plain
Bible truths? Who ever found rest
from sorrow by plunging into the gay-
eties of the world, in hope to drown
the bitterness of an aching heart? One
who reads and believes in the Bible
truths no trial can isolate, no sorrow
can cut off from the Communion of the
Saints. When we kneel and are with
Christ in prayer we are with them.
Only a thin veil is between us All
whom we loved and who loved us are
ever near, because in His Presence, in
Whom we live and dwell. Surely
Wordsworth's little "cottage girl" was
right when she said, "We are seven."

"Not dead! They pass us in the street
They sit beside us in the hall"

What an incentive to live holy lives
is the knowledge that our holy thoughts
are known to those whom we have so
dearly loved on earth! How much
nobler to have their approval than to
be able to win the applause of this
world, or to gain the laurel wreath of
fame! But some will ask: "Are we

really conscious of the presence of those who, theoretically, we may believe are about us?" Ask the fond wife who has seen the love-light die out of her husband's eyes, as they closed to open on fairer scenes, does she not know him to be near her? Ask the fond mother who has laid to rest her darling child. Does she not feel, even though she cannot explain it, the sweet presence of her little one and the loving arms about her neck?

"Ah, God! it was long ago—
That musical voice so low,
And the little palm
Touching mine, so calm!
But still in the evening light,
Or at the deep midnight,
I can hear that whisper clear,
From spirit lips so clear,
'My love, good night,
Good night!'"

In the Communion of the Saints there are no barriers of time or space. "We may not know," says a devout writer, "all the spiritual ways of their mystic communion with us who fain would follow them, but the fact remains, and those whose lives are hid with Christ in God, know that it is no mere fancy or vain illusion, but an obvious and palpable reality."

On this beautiful festival of the Church's year—"All Saints' Day"—when our Mother Church leads her children's thought upward beyond the veil, let those who have not yet realized the nearness of the unseen world, pray that their eyes may be opened, that they may be enabled to feel the Presence of the Lord, with His saints and angels keeping watch around them, so that when the hours of darkness and bereavement come upon them, they may, by the eye of faith, pierce beyond the veil and see and know and feel the Blessed Companionship of the dear ones who have gone beyond and become "meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light."

Then let our prayers on earth unite with theirs in Paradise; then let us, with them, seek to do God's will; then let us, with them, keep close to our Saviour's side; and let us, with them and all God's saints, come often and more often into that "Blessed Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ,"

that all may be one in the unity of the Life Divine.

So shall we keep our dear ones near us; so shall we enter into rest even upon earth, and know what it is to be filled with the peace of God which passeth all understanding.

On Saturday, November 28th, the Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude will occur, an event of far reaching importance to the Church in this Diocese.

On that day, in the beautiful Memorial Church of the Advocate, the Rev. Philip M. Rhineland, D. D., will be consecrated Bishop Co-Adjutor, and the Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., Bishop Suffragan of Pennsylvania.

The presiding Bishop of the Church, the Rt. Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, L.L. D., will be the Consecrator, together with a large number of other Bishops from many parts of the land.

It will be a most solemn and impressive service, the same in essence and import as that related in the Acts of the Apostles, when the Apostles of our Lord assembled in solemn conclave, prayed the Holy Ghost that He would call one to the "Bishoprick" to "be ordained to be a witness with us of His resurrection," and "the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles."

This solemn service, when "the Presiding Bishop of the Church and Bishops present shall lay their hands upon the head of the elected Bishop" and say, "Receive the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen," is a perpetuation and extension of the apostolic service by which the apostolic succession is preserved and handed down from generation to generation, from century to century, and will continue on this earth until the end of time, when Christ, the Head of the Church, shall come to claim His Bride and "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ; and He shall reign forever and ever."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for November

November 1—All Saint's Day

November 5—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

November 12—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

November 19—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

November 26—Sunday next before Advent

November 30—St. Andrew's Day
Thanksgiving Day

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 2nd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 8.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Opportunities for Persons Who Desire to Give.

The following objects in the Parish invite the generosity of persons who may desire to do something for Christ Church, either in the form of a memorial, a gift, or a thank offering for Divine favors:

New furnishings for the Main Sunday school room.

Chairs for the new Guild rooms.

Equipment for the Boys' room.

The Infant School and Intermediate school furnished.

The pews in the church toned in color with the roof.

Interior of the church redecorated.

The Transept Chapel finished in memoriam.

Memorial windows in the church.

For further information, persons may apply to the Rector.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Jefferies has always been a kind and generous friend to this Parish. She has added another gift by offering to enclose the entire church property with a substantial iron fence in memory of her husband, Edwin Jefferies. The fence will be erected this month.

Parish House Warming.

On Wednesday evening, November 15th, the enlarged Parish House will be formally thrown open to the members of the Parish and their friends, and the occasion will be marked by an old-fashioned House Warming. A meeting of all the ladies of the Parish is called for Friday afternoon, November 3, at 4 o'clock in the Parish House, to make final arrangements. Every woman in the Parish is invited to this meeting.

The House Warming, to be held on November 15th, will be in the nature of a Parish Reception, at which time all who attend the services in Christ Church, and their friends, are cordially invited. At this reception there will be a form of entertainment and light refreshments will be served. There will be no charge made. An opportunity will be thus afforded to all to see the improvements made in the older portion of the Parish house and all will be shown through the new Parish building. It is hoped that every member of the Parish, old and young, man and woman, together with their friends, will consider this notice a personal invitation to attend this Parish Reception and House Warming. Remember the date, the hour, and the place—Wednesday evening, November 15th, at 8 o'clock, in the Parish house.

A cordial greeting awaits everyone!

A Missionary Service.

On Sunday morning, November 12th, a Missionary service will be held in Christ Church. Prominent speakers will be present to address our people on the missionary work of the church. The names of the speakers will be announced later. At this service an opportunity will be afforded to the people of Christ Church to learn, from the lips of men who are personally engaged in this great work of spreading the gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth, something of the wonderful progress and the great work that is being done in Christian Missions. Every one who is alive to the times will be interested in this great subject of Missions. It has taken possession of the greatest minds and

hearts of today. Read what the last four Presidents of the United States have to say:

Benjamin Harrison: These missionaries going into foreign lands do not go to disturb the political conditions of the States they enter; not at all. They preach no crusade, incite no rebellion; but work by instilling the principles of the Gospel of Christ—the doctrine of the unity of man; that God made of one blood all people; that not titles, nor rulers, nor the outer things at all, but the heart is the seat of judgment and esteem; and this doctrine, working its quiet way through the world, will yet bring in the kingdom that is promised.

William McKinley: I am glad of the opportunity to offer, without stint, my tribute of praise and respect to the missionary effort which has brought such wonderful triumphs for civilization. The story of Christian missions is one of thrilling interest and marvelous results.

Theodore Roosevelt: When I came back, I wished it had been my power to convey my experience to those people—often well meaning people—who speak about the inefficiency of foreign missions. No more practical work, no work productive of fruit for civilization, could exist than the work being carried on by the men and women who give their lives to preaching the Gospel of Christ to mankind.

William H. Taft: Until I went to the Orient, until there were thrown on me responsibilities with reference to the extension of civilization in those far-distant lands, I did not realize the immense importance of foreign missions. The truth is, we have got to wake up in this country. We are not all there is in this world. There are lots of people besides us who are entitled to our effort and our money and our sacrifice to help them on in the world."

Junior Auxiliary.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church will begin its meetings for the year 1911-12, on Friday, November 3d, at 3.45 o'clock, and continue each Friday afternoon until May. We would like to call the attention of parents and Sunday school teachers to the real work

that is laid out for the Juniors. It is not merely a sewing society, where the older girls come to make garments for some local charity and the little ones paste pictures in scrap albums or string beads to pass away an hour, but it is an auxiliary to the Board of Missions, and in its way just as important as any other auxiliary to the Board of Missions. We have our apportionment to meet. We must be self-supporting. In short, we are banded together to do our work for the little folks in the far-away lands, and not permitted to do diocesan work.

There has been a forward movement in missionary work among the women. There has been the same splendid concerted action among the men, why not among the children?

What we leaders ask is the co-operation of the parents and teachers to constantly bring before the children of all ages the remembrance that they were each one baptized "into the congregation of Christ's flock and signed with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner against the sin, the world and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end." That in the Episcopal church we are avowed missionaries from our birth, hence it is our solemn duty to do some of Christ's work, either in the mission field itself or to help those who are there.

May we trust that the announcement of the Junior Auxiliary meeting will be made from the desk each Sunday morning in the Sunday school, thus constantly impressing upon the minds of the children that each has a duty to perform, no matter how young he or she may be.

Leaders: Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Miss Ruth Henderson, Miss Ruth Norbom.

The Envelope System.

All persons in the congregation are invited to avail themselves of the systematic method of giving through the envelopes. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the church, and pledges may be made for a weekly offer-

ing of an amount to suit the ability of each giver, from five cents a week, upward. There is a large number of persons who attend the services of the church who have not, as yet, availed themselves of this systematic method of giving and the Vestry earnestly hope that all worshippers in Christ Church will become subscribers through the Envelope system. In this way the income of the Parish becomes a fixed one, and this method affords an opportunity for every one to give according to his or her ability, systematically, regularly and conscientiously.

On signing the pledge card with name and address a package of envelopes will be sent to each subscriber.

This system of giving is the most methodical, the most practical and the most business-like. It also has the warrant of Holy Scripture: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay in store as God hath prospered him."—1 Corinthian xvi: 2.

All Saints' Day Services.

The services on All Saints' Day (November 1st) will be Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.; Holy Communion and sermon, 11.00 A. M. The offering at each of these services will be for Missions. The names of members of the Parish who have departed this life since last "All Saints' Day" will be read from the chancel and appropriate prayers will be said. Friends who wish to place memorial flowers on the Altar will please have them at the church early Tuesday afternoon.

Services on Thanksgiving Day.

On Thanksgiving Day there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M., and at 11.00 o'clock. The special "Form of Prayer and Thanksgiving" are set forth in the Prayer Book immediately preceding "Forms of Prayer to be used in Families."

The offering on Thanksgiving Day will be, as usual, for the Episcopal Hospital.

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EDITORIAL

The Editors desire to thank the many friends who have thus far responded to the request for subscriptions. In order to carry the "Chimes" through the year, however, it will be necessary for more friends, both old and new, to come forward. May we in our next issue be able to announce that the future outlook is bright. Up to the time of going to press subscriptions have been received from the following persons:

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Sunday Evening Musical Services.

On the first Sunday evening in each month, beginning the first Sunday evening in November (November 5th) and continuing until Lent, the service will largely consist of musical selections by the choir, short cantatas, selections from different oratorios, anthem, etc. The usual Sunday evening sermons on these occasions will be omitted. The Choir Master intends to make these musical services a special feature during the winter. A program of each service will be printed. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend. All seats are free at these evening services. The service will begin promptly at 7.45, and it is requested that all persons be present at the beginning of the service.

One of Chicago's leading business men has spent \$7500 during the last two years in maintaining a campaign among the Presbyterian congregations of his section for the introduction of the every-member canvass and weekly offering for missions. He has paid the salary and traveling expenses of a layman for this work. As a result, the offerings of Presbyterians in the territory covered have greatly increased, not only for foreign missions, but for congregational support and all home causes. This business man is convinced that he never made a better investment.

Parish Guild

The Daughters of the King.

A meeting of the Daughters of the King was held at the Rectory on October 16. There was a full attendance, and all manifested an interest in the work of the coming winter. A spirit of sadness pervaded the meeting, which was the first which had been held since the death of our beloved president, Mrs. Humphrey. In the passing away of Mrs. Humphrey we have lost a friend, who, by her unfailing loyalty and devotion, has been an inspiration to us all. We can only pray that her influence may still be felt in our chapter, and that by our greatly increased interest and work, we may show that the value of her example has not been lost.

It was with great regret that the resignation of Miss Gomersall, as secretary, was accepted. Miss Gomersall has been in ill health for some months, but we prayerfully hope that she will soon be much better and will again take her place as one of our most faithful workers.

The following officers were appointed:

President, Miss Grace M. Roop.
Vice President, Miss Brobson.
Secretary, Miss Parker.
Treasurer, Miss Horobin.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

The Christ Church Chapter holds its meetings on the first and third Thursday evenings of each month in the Parish House at 7.30 o'clock. Beginning with the meeting on November 2d, a course of study on "The Gospel of Efficiency—Ten Lessons in Social Service," will be commenced under the leadership of Dr. Rubens Humphrey, Director of Physical Activities, at the Pennsylvania Railroad Y. M. C. A., who has become associated with the chapter again after a long absence from the Parish.

Any men of the Parish who desire to attend this study class are cordially invited to do so and may be assured of a hearty welcome.

C. H. J.

"Boys' Club."

The Boys' Club of Christ Church is under the direction of Mr. Samuel F. Phelps, assisted by Mr. William S. Owens and Mr. White. The club proposes this winter to have many features of interest to young boys and men, and the meetings will be held weekly in the Parish House on Friday evenings at 8 o'clock. The enlarged Parish House affords excellent accommodations for boys' meeting-rooms and the large play room, with fourteen-foot ceiling, shower baths and lockers (to be put in later) are already in great demand, not only by the boys of the Parish, but by the girls' societies, who will also be permitted to use the rooms on certain evenings in the month.

The Boys' Club welcomes all boys in the neighborhood, between the ages of twelve and twenty. Boys are invited to come to the club room and apply for membership on Friday evening, or they may send their names to any of the managers or to the Rector.

Each boy must be properly vouched for when applying for membership in the club.

Report of the Vestment Guild. (Formerly Choir Guild).

At the meeting of the Vestment Guild of Christ Church, held in the Parish House, October 3d, the following officers were elected:

Chairman, Mrs. Topliff Johnson.
Treasurer, Mrs. Sheldon Potter.
Secretary, Mrs. Justus Thacher.

Miss Chase will have entire charge of the Rector's vestments.

The past year has been a busy one and productive of real results. Gowns and collars for the women of the choir have been renewed, also vestments for the men. At Easter a surplice was presented to Mr. Arndt by the Guild, and two others were provided later, to be used by the visiting clergy. The Guild was enabled to present these through the voluntary offer of Miss Chase to make them.

The Guild has suffered a great loss in the death of Mrs. James Y. Humphrey, known among the members of the choir as the "Choir Mother," having been associated with the work since the time of its inception, and whose unfailing devotion in this, as in other parish work, leaves a beautiful memory, never to be effaced.

V. C. T.

Women's Sunday Afternoon Bible Class.

The Women's Bible Class, which meets in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at 3 o'clock, has resumed its sessions and welcomes all women in the Parish to unite with them for an hour's study of the Bible. The class is taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore.

On the second Sunday in October was held a Corporate Communion of the teachers, officers and scholars of the Sunday school. It was inspiring to see so large a band of earnest Sunday school workers gathered together in God's house early Sunday morning to consecrate themselves anew to Him and to His service at the opening session of our school. All but two teachers and two officers were present. It was gratifying, also, to see so many scholars of the school—especially so many young men. Sunday school work will, indeed, become irksome to any who enter into it with other than the spirit of consecration. To one who enters into it in this spirit, however, the service becomes a joyous one, and its difficulties and discouragements and, it may be, apparent failures, will be more than met and overcome in the consciousness that the service is not for time but for eternity; not for self, but for Him who has said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto Me."

A Memorial to Mrs. James Y. Humphrey.

The friends of the late Mrs. James Y. Humphrey will be pleased to learn that an opportunity will be afforded them to contribute to a fitting memorial to her name. No woman

in the Parish was more highly respected and beloved than Mrs. Humphrey. She was "continuously given to good works," and many homes in the Parish, especially among the poor, have been cheered and comforted by her beautiful life and influence. The following persons, named from the various Parish Guilds, of which Mrs. Humphrey was a member, will act as a committee to receive contributions for a suitable memorial.

For the Mothers' Meeting—Mrs. Case.

For the Daughters of the King—Miss Roop.

For the Missionary Society—Mrs. Walter J. Crowder.

For the Choir Guild—Mrs. Sheldon Potter.

For the Sunday School—Miss Pastorius.

There will be no soliciting for contributions, but all who desire to give toward this memorial are invited to send their contributions to Mrs. Sheldon Potter, West Tulpehocken street.

The form of the memorial will be decided by the committee in charge.

Women's Missionary Meeting. (The Women's Auxiliary.)

On Wednesday afternoon, November 1st, will be held the first fall meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Parish. At that meeting the society will reorganize and plans and work for the winter will be agreed upon. The Rector issues a special invitation to "every woman in the Parish" to attend these meetings and identify herself with the great work for Missions. This work for Missions must not be left to a few faithful women, but should enlist the unselfish interest of every woman who calls herself a Christian. It is Christ's own command to every loyal follower: "Go ye out into all the world and preach the Gospel." Not every one can go to the mission field but every one can help in the cause of Missions by prayer, by work or by gifts. Let every woman in this parish set apart the afternoon of November 1st (All Saints' Day) and attend this meeting of the Women's Auxiliary at 4 o'clock. It will be an in-

teresting meeting, and an opportunity will be given to all to learn of the great opportunities and the needs in the Missions of the church.

The annual missionary service of the Pennsylvania Branch of the Women's Auxiliary will be held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Walnut and Nineteenth sts., on Friday, November 10th, from 10 A. M. until 4.30 P. M. The speakers will be the Rt. Rev. S. M. Griswold, D. D., the Rt. Rev. F. F. Johnson, D. D., the Rev. H. St. George Tucker, of Tokyo, and the Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin. All are cordially invited to attend.

Junior Auxiliary Meeting.

The Junior Auxiliary—a society of girls who meet to sew and work for Missions—begin their fall meetings on the first Friday afternoon in November. It is intended this winter to make useful articles for the missionary fields in our western and southern dioceses. All girls between the ages of ten and sixteen are invited to come to the Parish House on Friday afternoons at quarter to four and to join the Happy Band of Missionary Workers. The society meets every Friday in the Parish House at quarter to four.

Who's Going to Church?

"Who's going to church?" Was it the question at the breakfast table? Did someone interrupt you reading your morning paper? Is father going? Is mother? Are the children dressed, and have they been to breakfast? Are they going?

Who's going to church? Think one moment seriously. Is that really a right sort of question to ask? Ought not going to church to be taken for granted, as we take for granted going to school, going to work, going to any duty, or pleasure? Why make an exception? Why put it in the category of inconsequentials, occasionals, accidentals, as one may snatch a holiday if one can get his affairs fixed, or take an evening for a neighborly visit? Isn't it a misconception, a mistake? Isn't this instinct of worship the most beautiful, after all, in the whole constitution of

man? And are not the memorials of it, in art and song and prayer and charity, the most precious of all memorials of the human family?

Why do we go to church? We go for impressions; for pure and sacred associations; for a feeling, a culture we cannot get elsewhere. We do not go wholly for doctrine, for ceremony; we go because it is beautiful to rest from the thought and care of the world. It is God's house we enter; and all the presences, all the voices, are pure and holy. Is it not best for even little children to begin with these impressions, these sacred associations, this pure atmosphere, this culture they cannot get elsewhere, these influences whose impact upon the mind, the soul, the heart, are eternally good—to begin early?

The church is of just as much consequence in the economy of your lives as anything you can name. You do not need a newspaper one whit more than you need a sermon. It is as important that you go to church as that you rest from labor, or write your absent son or daughter. Your children need the influence of worship as much as they need the art of reading. You may think you yourselves are getting on in life just as well without the incentive of religion ministered through the Church, but you cannot and never will. Then think of the example we set. The good we can do.

Who's going to church, then? Why. Everybody! Going to church should be taken for granted? No question about it need to be asked; no question expected. Everyone in the family is going—everyone! Going to church should be as natural as going to breakfast, to school, to work.—Selected.

The Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly Society has resumed its meetings for the winter.

On Tuesday evening, October 17th, the annual election of officers was held with the following results: Miss Mabel C. Robinson, President and Miss Olive Moore, Secretary.

No definite work has as yet been outlined except a plan to make money to furnish the ladies' parlor in the new

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O. G. K.

Just for To-Day

Lord, for to-morrow and its needs,
I do not pray;
Keep me, my God, from stain of sin
Just for to-day.

Let me both diligently work,
And duly pray;
Let me be kind in word and deed
Just for to-day.

Let me be slow to urge my will,
Prompt to obey;
Help me to mortify my flesh
Just for to-day.

Let Ae no wrong or idle word
Unthinking say;
Set Thou a seal upon my lips
Just for to-day.

Lo, for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray.
But keep me, guide me, love me, Lord,
Just for to-day.
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News from the Mission Field

The goal of human history is the redemption of the world. If the field of Christ and the field of the Church is the world, so the field of every man with the love of God in his heart is the world.—J. Campbell White.

Female education in Japan is wholly the result of Christianity. —*Missionary Review.*

The Rev. O. E. Davis, a missionary for five years in British Guiana, has been murdered by some natives in the interior, among whom he had commenced missionary work.

Some unknown friend of Foreign Missions has just made a gift of \$1,000,000 to the Endowment Fund of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in Boston.

Northcote Deck, an English missionary at Malaita, one of the Solomon islands, says that no trader can live there, life is so unsafe, though missionaries are tolerated on the coast, "but inland there is a surging, seething mass of murderers and cannibals, and no white man has ever crossed the island."

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " }

Nine months only have passed away since the Diocese of Pennsylvania lost by death its revered and saintly Bishop Whitaker, and now, again, our Diocese is called to mourn in the death of his beloved successor.

In the early hours of Thursday morning, November 14, the soul of the Rt. Rev. Alexander Mackay-Smith, D. D., entered into life eternal. Although his death was a great shock to all and a surprise to many, it was not entirely unexpected by those who were closest to him. The Bishop had been in ill health for several years, and at times was a great sufferer, but he was always uncomplaining and bore his suffering with a sublime heroism. Upon the insistence of physicians, however, he finally consented to resign, and his resignation was to have taken effect next February. He has been spared this great sorrow of relinquishing his Episcopal office and of giving over its duties to another. God in His merciful way has called him home before he was compelled to lay aside his burden and while still faithfully serving his Master and patiently laboring in His vineyard, the Church. In his patient suffering our beloved Bishop could feel the power of the apostolic words: "Let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

"Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered

from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; we give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we beseech thee that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Asleep in Jesus.

It was underneath the rush and roar of a great heathen city, in the solemn gloom of that rocky cavern known as the Catacombs of Rome. Many of God's people are sleeping where, centuries ago, they were here laid to rest, in a sure hope of that blessed resurrection promised the children of God.

And here, by the fitful glare of torches, and often in the needful secrecy of the night, the early Christians brought their dead to lay them in the chill bosom of the silent rock.

Many of the inscriptions carved upon those rocky tombs are dim with age; but on almost every one may yet be traced at least the two words, "in peace." Yes, they slept in peace, many a one resting after cruel conflict, imprisonment and torture—forever at peace.

But here and there fuller inscriptions are yet discernible, and many of these breathe a touching tenderness,

words of loving farewell, of tender prayer, and a boundless faith in that "communion of saints" so precious to heart and soul.

These are but a few of the words of love and faith inscribed in characters that have grown dim with the flight of more than a thousand years. But how gloriously gleams the light of that faith through passing ages, all the brighter because of the gloom amid which it first shone forth. Surely, if in those dark days of persecution and sorrow bereaved hearts could thus commit their loved ones to God's care in that desolate cavern, we may with loving trust lay ours to rest in His sunshine, and write above them "in peace."

Advent.

The Church year revolves around the Person of Jesus Christ. He is the Sun of Righteousness, the great center, and the Church begins her Christian year by a return to Him from Whom she receives all light and life. Advent Sunday is the first day of the Church's new year. Thus it happens in the Kingdom of Heaven we live in advance of the world; we are a whole month on our way before the civil year begins. In this manner the Church teaches us to be ever on the alert, "looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God."

The feast of the Advent, which opens the Advent season, is one which strongly mingles the most joyous with the most appalling thoughts; for while it strikes the keynote of our Christmas rejoicings, it dwells on the first Advent, with especial reference to its bearings on that which is yet future, and for which we are called to prepare. Our "song is of mercy and of judgment."

How salutary to the soul this annual awakening and setting forward towards immortality! Advent season should always be one of serious contemplation for the final appearing of our Lord. It is, therefore, a "minor Lent," a time for reflection—always, however, in joyful contemplation. The message of St. John the Baptist is the message of Advent, "Repent, ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand";

and of Isaiah, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

And then comes the fulfillment this joyous coming of the Lord: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord!"

Christmas.

Can you imagine the world and all that it represents to us, or our own lives, apart from the present life of the Holy Child? We would sink crushed beneath the weight of a world's sorrows, a world's injustices, a world's contradictions, and a world's mysteries, were it not for our faith in the Divine Son. Life would be a prolonged groping in an ever-thickening darkness were it not for the light which streams from the stable of Bethlehem. Once having received the Divine illumination, we cannot picture to ourselves life without the Presence of Jesus, without the purifying, sustaining grace, which flows from Him, ministered through the Sacraments of His Church. And if we cannot conceive of life without our Incarnate Lord, how could we think of death? How could we approach the dark shadows of that dreadful valley without the assurance of the presence of Him who has tasted death for every man? No, as men and women journeying rapidly onwards, as the coming of Christmas reminds us, through life to death, and through death to judgment, we know full well the meaning of the words, "I need Thy presence every passing hour."

Confirmation.

Shortly after Christmas the Rector will begin a course of lectures on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. A number of persons have expressed their desire to know more about the history and the liturgy of the Episcopal Church, and these lectures are intended to give such information to all who may desire it.

A cordial invitation is extended to every one, whether they have been Confirmed or not, to attend these lectures.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for December.

Dec. 3—First Sunday in Advent.
Dec. 10—Second Sunday in Advent.
Dec. 17—Third Sunday in Advent.
Dec. 20—Ember Day.
Dec. 21—S. Thomas.
Dec. 22—Ember Day.
Dec. 23—Ember Day.
Dec. 24—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
Dec. 25—Christmas Day.
Dec. 26—S. Stephen.
Dec. 27—S. John, Evangel.
Dec. 28—Holy Innocents.
Dec. 31—Sunday after Christmas.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 2nd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 8.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Contributions for greens for the Christmas decorations of the church are asked from the members of the congregation. Contributions may be sent to the chairman of the committee in charge, Dr. Wm. N. Johnson, 6460 Main street.

The Christ Church Club has kindly offered to defray the expense of furnishing and planting a hedge around the entire Parish House property. This large lot, facing on Washington lane and McCallum street, has recently been enclosed by a six-foot iron fence. A beautiful playground for tennis and other outdoor games has thus been added to the equipment of the Parish.

A limited number of Christ Church Calendars for 1912 has been ordered and will be on sale after December 1. The new calendars are different from those of previous years and are more artistic in design. An excellent cut of the interior of the church appears on the upper left-hand corner, while on the upper right-hand corner of the calendar is a cut of Axel Ender's "Resurrection," the same as represented in stone on the memorial reredos in Christ Church. The price of the calendar is thirty cents and they may be procured from Miss Dahl or from the Sexton.

The House Warming.

It was hardly possible to be present at the Parish House warming, held Wednesday, November 14, without being impressed with the thought that it was the most successful gathering ever held in our Parish. All who came were astonished at what they saw. The remodeled rooms were most artistically decorated with costly rugs, tapestries and furniture loaned by members of the congregation, while the new rooms were adorned with flags and were most attractive. It was clear that the equipment of Christ Church for effective parish work is now almost complete. We now need furnishings for the various rooms, and these, no doubt, will soon be forthcoming.

A committee of ladies received the guests as they arrived, and the general sociability was most marked. Some four hundred persons inspected the new rooms and were refreshed by lemonade, cake, sandwiches and coffee. Our choir-master, Mr. Rile, provided us with excellent music, both vocal and instrumental, which contributed greatly to our pleasure. Short addresses were made by our Rector, by Rev. Dr. Falkner and by the chairman of the Parish House Committee, who presented the new and improved buildings to the Parish. Altogether it was a most pleasing evening and we hope it is only a foretaste of many others.

Of course the improvements are not fully paid for, but the need was so urgent that it was thought best to go ahead. So far the cost, exclusive of the beautiful new iron fence, is about \$12,500, of which \$5000 is in hand, leaving about \$7500 still to be raised, but it is believed that our money has been well spent and the recognition of this fact will bring a continuance of your generous aid.

J. H. R.

Men's Corporate Communion.

In every parish of this Diocese the men are requested to congregate at the early Communion Service on Sunday, December 3. There are several reasons for this request, which should not seem unusual. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has set apart the Sunday near-

est to St. Andrew's Day (November 30) for their annual Corporate Communion. It is not possible to get the members together in one church, and so each chapter will celebrate the service in its own parish. The great good which is derived by these corporate gatherings is so apparent that the men desire to share them with those who are not Brotherhood men in name. Those who attend are encouraged to greater efforts by the influence which comes from kneeling side by side with other men who have the same desires and purposes. The Rector would be strengthened and made happy by your presence. It would prove to him that his efforts had not been in vain. The writer does not know at this time how many male communicants are on our Parish list. He does know, however, that if fifty men of this Parish would surprise the Rector by being present and partaking of the Holy Communion at this service he would remain happy until a like service in 1912 would increase his joy by the sight of one hundred men, which would be the natural result.

Rudyard Kipling might have said in his latest poem, "For the female of the species is more God-like than the male," and not been accused of giving praise. It is a fact, however, and it is up to the men to take their stand and make Christianity a man's religion. The time is ripe for action. The Men and Religion movement has many great opportunities for men to take advantage of for his own good and that of his fellow-men. Will you help? Will you be present on Sunday, December 3, at 7.30 A. M.?

Sunday School Notes.

The attendance shows some improvement, as follows:

October 15	134
October 22	147
October 29	172
November 5	185
November 12	187
November 19	199

Five new classes have been formed in the last month, and we hope for more.

We could use more teachers. Who will give their help to this most im-

portant work? If you cannot attend regularly, won't you join the Training Class taught by Col. Sheldon Potter, so as to be ready to act as substitute teacher when called?

Fifteen minutes of each session are given to memory exercises, when the scholars are asked to memorize the books of the Bible, names of the Apostles, etc., thus storing the minds of the scholars with useful knowledge.

It is proposed to send the parents occasional reports showing the attendance and standing of their children in the school. This is the common custom in day schools. Why should it not be good in Sunday School work?

Prizes are to be given at Easter to those who bring the largest number of new permanent scholars.

Special Meetings for Men.

On the Sunday evenings during Advent Special Meetings for Men will be conducted in the Parish House by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, commencing at 7 o'clock and lasting one-half hour.

The object of the meetings is to interest the men of our Parish in the "Men and Religion" movement—something which many, perhaps, have heard mentioned or noticed in the papers, but know nothing whatever of its purpose or organization.

Heretofore, in our church in particular, men have been much in the background. From now on it is purposed to make religion a man's religion, and the "Men and Religion" movement is the means whereby all Christians—Protestants and Romanists—all who worship God and acknowledge Jesus Christ as the Saviour of the world are going to make this worship mean something to themselves and to other men and boys who have not that privilege.

Every man in the Parish is earnestly asked to attend these meetings and help make them both of value and interest. Only a few minutes will be occupied by the leader in bringing out some leading points, after which the meeting will be thrown open to all for discussion or questions.

The subject for discussion at these meetings will be "Community Extension."

Dec. 3—Introduction, Dr. Rubens Humphrey.

Dec. 10—Boys' Work, Mr. S. V. Wilcox.

Dec. 17—Bible Study, Mr. C. H. Jackson.

Dec. 24—Social Service, Mr. W. S. Owens.

Kindly bear these dates and subjects in mind. Come yourself and bring your friends, and let this Advent season bring new life and energy into the men of our Parish.

C. H. J.

Our Mothers' Meeting.

We Mothers, including Mrs. Morrison and myself, met almost joyfully on October 3, after our absence during the summer, and started right in for real work, in consequence of which we have aprons, towels, dusters, et cetera, for sale, also some beautifully woven "Carpet de Rag" of well-blended colors, ready for immediate use. Surely, at this time of the year, somebody wants that carpet, and we want the money. We shall be very glad to take orders for our saleable stock and shall endeavor to please our kind patrons.

Every first Tuesday of the month is our gala day. Music—vocal—most effectively rendered by one of the members of our choir, Miss Emily Louise Collisson, was enjoyed by all on this last gala day, after which we all felt like our noted little friend, "Oliver Twist," mentally exclaiming, "Please give me some more."

A kind friend who loves us and whom we love, for love begets love, furnishes us with what the small boy calls "Eats." If that word is really slang (it sounds very like it), I trust you will pardon me.

We now number eighteen mothers, and if there are any other hard-working, tired mothers who may read this and can be spared from their household duties for a pleasant social time each Tuesday afternoon from 2.30 until 4.30 we will most gladly welcome them to our harmonious family circle.

L. H. D.

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EDITORIAL

The members of the Vestry who have been in charge of the improvements to our Parish House are indeed to be congratulated on the very acceptable result which has rewarded their efforts. To those of us who have been working in the old quarters our new accommodations are a most welcome change.

In the altered first floor of the old building and the addition to both floors are to be found ample and comfortable accommodations for every part of our activities. One of the strong reasons for making the improvements was to provide surroundings so pleasant and convenient that no society or committee would find it necessary to meet at the home of one of its members. It is much better that our gatherings should all be held in the Parish House, which is provided for just this purpose.

Let us, therefore, suggest that the improved plant be used to its utmost capacity and thus show to all that Christ Church is not only awake to her opportunities and duties in this community, but, better yet, that she is doing her best to fill the place she should occupy.

The editors desire to thank the parishioners of Christ Church who have responded so generously to the appeal for funds to carry on the publication of "The Chimes." In the last issue it was stated that the editors desired to announce in the present number that enough money had been received to carry the publication through the year. We are pleased to be able to make that statement. Owing to the number who have answered with their subscriptions and to one friend in particular, who has contributed \$25.00 for this purpose, the publication of this volume is assured.

While we are thus able to carry on "The Chimes" for the year, let no one who had intended or who wishes to contribute to this cause hold back. There are times, such as Christmas and Easter, when additional pages are desired or cuts might be procured to better the appearance of the paper, and the additional money received could be used in this way. Since the last issue subscriptions have been received from the following persons:

Miss L. Fell
Mrs. Morris
Mrs. P. J. Strasburger
Miss Olive Kirkland
Miss M. Bryan,
Mrs. J. Cook,
Mrs. Lemuel Davis,
Mrs. Ellis,
Mr. W. C. Feist,
Mrs. W. Ifill,
Mrs. W. A. Montgomery,
Mr. William E. Mikell,
Mrs. R. Ouderkirk,
Mr. L. E. Pfeiffer,
Mr. William R. Pugh,
Mr. H. B. Worrell.

The full program of church services for Christmas Day, together with the schedule of Sunday School entertainments, etc., for Christmas week will be published in the next issue of "The Chimes," which will be issued before Christmas.

By request of the Rt. Rev. Philip Mercer Rhinelander, Bishop of the Diocese, the Bishop's chair in the Chancel will be draped for thirty days, in memory of the late "Alexander Mackay-Smith, Bishop and Doctor."

Parish Guild

The Boys' Club.

A very promising work has been inaugurated this fall among the boys of this neighborhood. The large playroom for boys, equipped with shower baths, etc., in the new Parish House has become a great attraction for boys, and the attendance of the Boys' Club is steadily increasing. All boys in this vicinity are cordially invited to join this Club, which meets every Friday night in the Parish House.

It is advisable for boys to unite with the Club at once, while the classes and companies are being organized. The Rector has received the following communication from Mr. Samuel F. Phelps, who is in charge of the Club:

Germantown, November 16, 1911.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
59 West Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Pa.

My Dear Mr. Arndt:

In relation to the Boys' Club, notice of which appeared in "The Chimes" for this month, I beg to advise that at our second meeting in the new room, on November 10th, we had an attendance of eighteen boys. This was a large increase over the first meeting, and I hope to be able to report to you a steady increase from now on. Any boy who was present that night, or at the Parish House Warming last evening, should at once appreciate the opportunity you have placed at his disposal, and with the assistance of Mr. White and Mr. Owens, I trust to be able to organize a Club that will be a credit to our Parish.

In addition to using the large room for basketball, indoor baseball, etc., I purpose to organize a company on military lines, including gymnastic exercises, devoting part of the evening to drilling and the balance to recreation. For any boy who does not care to take part in the above will be provided other amusements, and once a month during the winter I hope to furnish them with some form of outside entertainment.

On Friday evening, December 1st, we will hold a general meeting for organization and election of officers, and I am desirous of having a large attendance on that night, and extend, through you, a most hearty welcome to all boys of twelve years and over to join with us to make the Boys' Club of Christ Church one of the features of our Parish.

Yours very sincerely,

SAMUEL F. PHELPS.

Girls' Friendly Society.

Now that the new Parish House has been turned over to the congregation for use, every Tuesday evening will find a busy meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society planning for the furnishing of the room which is to be largely the Girls' Friendly room. Plans are now under way for the furnishing of this room, and we hope soon to have everything in place.

A stenciling class has been formed under the leadership of Miss Beatrice Morgan, and many pretty things have already been made by the members of this class. Curtains will be made by this class for the new room, and if others desire them for windows in their rooms we will be glad to inform them of the cost and undertake the work for them.

No other classes have been definitely decided upon and no further plans will be made now until after the first of the year. We cordially welcome new members to our Girls' Friendly Branch. We expect to devote one Tuesday a month to a Social Evening and have some pleasant surprises in store.

O. G. K.

Choir Notes.

On Wednesday evening, October 4, the choir spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Mrs. Jackson, in Tioga.

The regular party given by the choir on Hallowe'en was held on Wednesday evening, November 1, at the home of the Choirmaster.

The following members have joined the choir: Miss Iola Seeds, Miss Painter, Mr. Abrams and Mr. Wenard.

The music for Christmas will include Stanford in A, morning service, and, by request, Gounod's "St. Cecelia," Communion Service.

The choir has started a saving fund society. Each member contributes something each week. It was started September 15, 1911. Miss Duling is treasurer. The amount on hand is nearly \$150.00, and will be put in bank until next July, when the members will receive their savings and will go on a vacation collectively.

T. H. H.

Women's Auxiliary.

At the meeting of the Women's Missionary Society (the Women's Auxiliary), on the first Wednesday evening in November, the Rt. Rev. William C. Gray, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Southern Florida, gave an interesting address on his work among the Seminole Indians and colored people of the South and made a special appeal for financial assistance to rebuild the church for colored people at Key West, which had been blown down by a tornado.

At this meeting the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. William E. Mikell.
Vice President, Mrs. William N. Johnson.

Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel F. Phelps.
Secretary, Mrs. Topliff Johnson.

The Rector appointed the following committees:

On Colored Missions—Miss Sally Johnson, Mrs. Keith R. Rodney, Mrs. C. H. Arndt.

Diocesan Committee—Mrs. R. P. Mogridge, Mrs. Henry S. Abel, Miss Virginia Thacher.

Foreign Committee—Mrs. W. J. Crowder, Mrs. Guenther, Mrs. William N. Johnson.

Domestic Committee—Mrs. Charles Heyer, Mrs. T. H. Carmichael, Mrs. W. E. Mikell.

Indian Hope Association—Mrs. F. L. Donlevy, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Miss L. W. Fell.

The next meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House on Wednesday afternoon, December 13, at 3 o'clock. Every woman in the Parish is invited to attend the meetings of the Auxiliary and to unite in the work for Missions.

The Rector has appointed Mrs. Keith R. Rodney as the representative from Christ Church on the Board of Managers of the Industrial Home for Colored Women. This home is doing a great work for colored women in this vicinity and should meet with a more liberal support from all the people of Germantown. Christ Church has a special interest in this home, as it was to the Rector of this Parish that the

colored people in this vicinity first made their appeal for assistance, which resulted, by the co-operation of other parishes in Germantown, in the establishment of the Industrial Home for Colored Women, located at 30 Armat street.

The home is now in charge of a Board of Managers composed of representative women of the various religious bodies in Germantown. Those interested in this work are invited to visit the home at any time.

Preceding the Psalter, in the Book of Common Prayer, are Forms of Prayer to be used in Families. It is an order, we fear, but little observed. It cannot be the fault of the prayers themselves, for they are excellent. Nor would it matter if some other form should be observed instead. There are many excellent manuals for family devotion. Those of Bishop Wainwright and of Dr. Goulburn are especially good. There is no excuse for the devout Churchman, who, being the head of a family, fails to have daily family devotions. It witnesses to the too often forgotten fact that the head of the house is responsible before Almighty God for those of his household; that he is a priest in his own house; that as such he should instruct his family in the Faith, and in duty towards God and men; for himself and for his, claim a daily forgiveness; make an ever-renewed consecration; ask a daily sanctification, offering before God a morning and evening sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Daily reading of Scripture and daily prayer, in the presence of the assembled household, will prove one of the most effectual means for fulfilling one's duty, as a Christian teacher and priest, to those under his own roof. It will be a holy and blessed memory to the children, to their latest hour on earth. When scattered through the world, as they soon will be, their thoughts will oftenest recur to the old home and hearthstone in this connection; in memory, often going back tenderly to the times when their father or mother used to sit among their chil-

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Special Musical Service

Rendered by the choir, on first Sunday Evening of each month

Sunday Evening, Dec. 3rd, 1911

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL—"Hymn 35, Hark! the Voice Eternal"

E. J. Hopkins

CREED, VERSICLES, COLLECTS

LESSON—St. Matthew 25

ANTHEM—"Ho! Every One That Thirsteth"

G. C. Martin

Solo by Mr. Guthrie

HYMN—43, "Rejoice, rejoice, believers"

Lausanne Psalter

TRIO—"Protect Us Through the Coming Night"

G. Nicolao

Soloist:—Miss Steinmetz, Mr. Cox and Mr. Guthrie

ANTHEM—"I Waited for the Lord"

Mendelssohn

from "Hymn of Praise" (Soloists:—Mrs. Jackson and Miss Steinmetz)

HYMN—357, "O, Jesu, Thou Art Standing"

J. H. Knecht

ADDRESS, by the Rector—"What Does the Bible Teach about the Advent of Christ?"

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—"Gloria," from Mass in B flat

H. Farmer

Soloists:—Mrs. Jackson, Miss Meisle, Mr. Cox and Mr. Guthrie

CANTATA—ADVENT SERVICE

P. A. Schaecker

1—Introduction

Organ

"Trust Ye in the Lord Forever"

Chorus

2—"Woe Unto Us"

Chorus

Solos by Miss Steinmetz and Mr. Cox

3—"The Nations Shall See Thy Righteousness"

Solo

by Mr. Guthrie

4—"He Shall not Fail nor be Discouraged"

Duo

by Mrs. Jackson and Miss Meisle

5—"And She Brought Forth Her First-born Son"

Solo

by Mr. Cox

6—Hymn—"Sing Morning Star"

Chorus

7—"In Him was Life"

Chorus

Solo by Miss Meisle

8—Hymn—"Wake, awake; for Night is Flying"

Chorus

BENEDICTION

RETROCESSIONAL—Hymn, 319, Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"

T. R. Matthews

SOLOISTS

MRS. BERTHA JACKSON, Soprano MR. OSCAR COX, TENOR

MISS EDNA STEINMETZ, Soprano MR. FREDERICK GUTHRIE, Baritone

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dren, reading from the Holy Book; and when, as a family, on their knees before the Throne of Grace, God's forgiveness and mercy and strength were implored and God's joy and peace came to their hearts and gave to their lives a heavenly benediction.

A Scrap of Church History.

"The Church of England stands the one Church which has never separated from any Church or person."

We find this remarkable saying in the writings of the late Right Rev. George Ridding, Bishop of Southwell, in England; remarkable not only by its clear, strong utterances, but for its perfect truthfulness. And in thinking of it we must remember that the Church of England and the Protestant Episcopal Church in this country are, as declared by our own civil laws, "the same Church." The Church in this country is the "Old Church in a New Land." And the honor claimed for that Church in England belongs as much to the Church in this land. "It is the one Church which has never separated from any other."

It did not separate from the Presbyterians, or from the Methodists, or from the Baptists, or from the Quakers. It stood firm and steadfast on the foundation and principles it had held from the days of the first Apostles; and every one of those other bodies went

out from it, and separated themselves from it. They were not thrust out, they went. It was their voluntary act.

And it is equally true that the Church of England never separated from the Church of Rome. The Church of Rome withdrew from the Church of England and separated itself from it. Up to the reign of Queen Elizabeth and for some years during her reign there was but one Church in England; and, although they differed somewhat in their teaching, those who held fast to Roman doctrine and those who accepted the reformed views all attended the same Church and worshipped together. And Lord Chief Justice Cook asserts that then the Pope offered to the Queen that he would consent to and permit the English Prayer Book if she would only acknowledge his supremacy. This she declined to do. And the Pope thereupon issued his command that his adherents in England should withdraw from communion with the Church of England and form a separate organization.

It is well that these historical facts should be known. It has been common to charge the Church of England and its daughter in this country with being uncharitable and excluding others.

But it never excluded any of them, they went out voluntarily. She stands where she has always stood. Her doors stand open, and her welcome is warm and ready for any one who wishes to enter.—Bishop Paret.

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the sick and needy, to lift up the fallen, to encourage each struggler after virtue. He wants a life that is drawn so closely to Himself that the world will be crucified in us that our life will be hid with His in God. He wants us to feel no fear when death's shadows close about us, because the hand that guided us in life will lead us through the dark valley to the light beyond.

And the Church stands as the rallying ground for all who seek such a life. Jesus Christ established His church in this world to be His witness and to lead all men unto truth. On the threshold of another new year His voice is calling unto men and women to come unto Him to join in His Communion and to follow "in His steps" to a nobler and a holier life.

Christmas.

The great event which the Church celebrates on the twenty-fifth of December, is a point in history from which the religious, social and art world of our planet changed its axis. The human race since then has been gradually rising to a higher plane of civilization. The Person who by the most wonderful life ever lived brought about this change was born on Christmas Day. Christmas, therefore, is a religious, not a secular festival. They who forget this and devote this Holy Day entirely to secular amusements desecrate the day and dishonor God. This day is called "Christmas," from Him who sanctifieth the day. He only is honored by acknowledging on this day His divine character, and by drawing closer unto Him and endeavoring to follow His example. Christmas rejoicing at this season is intended to be a species of mutual congratulation and thanksgiving for God's "unspeakable gift" to man. Ever Christmas greeting means, "Rejoice with me!" And why? "For unto us is born this day a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." Without this conviction and the underlying conception and realization of the most important of all historic events and its consequence to the human race, our Christmas gifts, our feasts, our family gatherings, are meaningless. Christmas should first of all

be a feast of Christ. If at the root of all our joy at this season there is not a real, burning flame of religious devotion, we are no better than the Romans in their Saturnalian orgies. But Christmas is the time when hearts are moved to generous impulses, noble deeds, loving, self-sacrificing devotions, all inspired by the great love of God, who gave to the world on this Holy Day, His Only Begotten Son. Every Christian heart, therefore, will yearn to come on Christmas Day to the source of all sympathy and love, Jesus Christ. Then will this day be, indeed, a happy, a joyous Christmas Day.

The Rector desires to call the attention of all parishioners to the special offering on Christmas Day. The object is one which must appeal to every churchman—the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund. The superannuated, or infirm, or disabled army and navy officer is taken care of by the Government, there is provision made for that noble band who grow old as teachers, many corporations pension those who have grown old in faithful service—but for God's faithful minister, who gives his life's service in the interest of others, there is nothing in our church today but to turn him out, like an old horse or a dog, to die. Last year the amount yielded from invested funds for the aged and infirm clergy of our church was a few cents over eight dollars a year. A little over eight dollars a year was apportioned to all clergy of our church over 65 years of age. How long will we permit this condition to exist? Every dollar that is given on Christmas Day will go into a sinking fund, the proceeds of which will help to save some poor, faithful minister of the church from starving in his old age. By the request of the Treasurer of the General Clergy Relief Fund, copies of a sermon on this subject have been sent to this parish with a request that they be distributed. They may be found in the vestibules. It is hoped that the offering on Christmas Day for the aged and infirm clergy will be a generous one.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for January.

January 1—Circumcision.
January 6—Epiphany.
January 7—First Sunday after Epiphany.
January 14—Second Sunday after Epiphany.
January 21—Third Sunday after Epiphany.
January 25—Conversion of St. Paul.
January 28—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 2nd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Service on Christmas Day.

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.;
Morning Prayer, Holy Communion,
Sermon—11.00 o'clock. The offering on Christmas Day will be for the Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Confirmation at Christ Church.

The Rector has received notification from the Bishop of the Diocese, appointing the Fourth Sunday evening in Lent, March 17th, the date for Confirmation at Christ Church. Instruction on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church" will be begun on Friday, January 19th, in the Parish House at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and at 8 o'clock in the evening. These instructions will continue to be given at the same hour on every Friday afternoon and evening until the Bishop's visitation. Persons who are contemplating confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to confer with any who wish to speak to him on the subject. All persons, whether confirmed or unconfirmed, are cordially invited to these Friday instructions on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church."

New Renters of Pews.

The Accounting Warden reports a number of new comers into the Parish who have recently rented pews or sittings in Christ Church. Whilst Christ Church is essentially a "free church," in that every one is cordially welcome, and the number of pews marked "vacant" is sufficient to accommodate all strangers and occasional attendants, the Vestry desire to encourage all persons who attend the services of the church to contribute in some systematic way toward the maintenance of the church and its philanthropies. Besides the expense of running the Parish, the church has many assessments made upon it for the support of hospitals, missions, works of charity, both within and without the Diocese, both at home and abroad. These opportunities for doing good should be shared in by the many, and not be borne by the few and therefore, to the end that every one may enjoy the privilege of doing his or her share in supporting and extending this work for Christ and His Kingdom on earth, that this Parish is endeavoring to do, the Vestry invite every one to become a regular and systematic contributor to the support of the Parish and its work.

There are two sources from which the revenue of the church is derived. First: Pew rents; second, the envelope system. All who desire to do so are invited to rent pews or sittings. Those who prefer to contribute through the Envelope system are invited to take a pledge card, to be found in the vestibule, and pledge the amount they desire to give weekly. Place the card on the plate on any Sunday and a package of envelopes will be forwarded to the subscriber. For further information, the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, may be seen after any service or may be addressed at 117 West Upsal street, Germantown.

Car Barn Services.

This is a matter which people who are interested in work for the Master should give serious consideration. There are two reasons for this, which include all minor reasons. From a religious standpoint it is the duty of Churchmen to

carry the Gospel to these men who do not have the opportunity to attend church. From a worldly and practical viewpoint these services cause many of the men to rise above the level to which their work naturally holds them and to put into practice what they hear at the services held in the different car barns. This results in better service on the cars and can be proven from past experience.

At the Pelham car barn the Chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew located in this vicinity hold services every Sunday at 12.30 o'clock. Christ Church is responsible for the third Sunday of each month and it is in the hope of interesting more of our people in this work that this article is written.

The men like singing and will sing themselves if they have others to lead. This Chapter is small—only five members—and we have no one to play the organ. We appeal for assistance in this work, and trust that some one, not necessarily a man, will volunteer to play the organ on this Sunday and that several men and boys will volunteer to help in the singing. The service lasts only one hour at the most and whatever inconvenience may be incurred will be amply repaid when the thought comes to your mind that you are doing the Master's work and helping those who otherwise would hardly know it was God's day of worship.

C. H. J.

Midnight Service, New Year's Eve.

A solemn Midnight Service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's eve, beginning promptly at 11 o'clock. The church will be open all evening for private prayer and meditation. At midnight the chimes will peal forth a joyous welcome to 1912 and ring out to every home a Happy New Year.

"Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The eager heart, the kindest hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be."

Sunday School Christmas Service.

The Sunday School Christmas service will be held in the church on Sunday afternoon (Christmas eve) at half-past three o'clock. At this service the school will sing their Christmas carols and the address will be delivered by the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, of the City Mission. All members of the Parish and friends of the Sunday School are invited to attend this Christmas Carol Service.

The usual evening service will be omitted on Sunday, December 24th.

Sunday School Christmas Entertainments.

The Christmas Entertainment for the Main and Intermediate Departments of the Sunday School will be held on the evening of Holy Innocents' Day (Thursday, December 28th) at 8 o'clock.

A Christmas Cantata will be given on this evening by twenty odd members of the Sunday School.

In the afternoon of the same day, the Primary Department of the school will hold their Christmas entertainment at 3 o'clock, consisting of a Christmas story acted out by members of the school and illustrated by stereopticon views. Word has been received that Santa Claus is expected to arrive at about half-past three o'clock on that afternoon. The parents and friends of the scholars are invited to both of these entertainments. The committee in charge is composed of Mrs. Heyer, Miss Pastorius, Miss Morgan, Mr. Middleton, Mr. Jackson.

Annual Offering for the Sunday School

The annual offering for the support of the Sunday School of Christ Church will be taken on the Fourth Sunday in Advent (December 24th). The Sunday School is the most important parochial work of the Church and should receive the generous support of every member of the congregation. Christ Church Sunday School is largely self-supporting, and in addition the scholars and teachers give largely to missions and other charitable objects. To provide the school with lesson papers, magazines, books, etc., and to help defray the expenses of the Children's Christmas Entertain-

ments, the Easter services, printing and other necessary expenditures the members of the congregation are asked to give \$200 annually. It is hoped that this amount will be fully realized at the offering on the Fourth Sunday morning in Advent.

Church Periodical Club.

Will some person or persons kindly volunteer to send one or more of the following periodicals, monthly or weekly, when you have finished reading them? The former contributors have been obliged to discontinue these magazines and we wish, if possible, to avoid telling the recipients they must cease to look forward to this great privilege which has afforded them such real happiness. Those desired are:

"Good Housekeeping,"
"Outlook,"
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A Missionary Service in Christ Church.

A special Missionary Service will be held in Christ Church on the third Sunday after the Epiphany, January 21st. It is expected that Mr. John Wood, of New York, Secretary of the Board of Missions, will address our people on the work of Missions. Mr. Wood is one of the best informed men in the Church on the subject of Missions, and it will be a rare privilege for our people to hear him.

A limited number of "Christ Church Calendars" for 1912 may be purchased from Miss Dahl or the Verger for 30 cents apiece. These calendars are different in style from those of previous years and are very neat and artistic in appearance. They note the great Festivals and Holy Days of the church year, together with the days of fasting and the phases of the moon for each month.

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EDITORIAL

Once again the happy Christmastide is approaching and we are all busy preparing for the most joyous of all the world's feast days. Each of us is no doubt looking forward with keen interest to the pleasures which the day will bring to those who are near and dear to us. It is, indeed, a great privilege to be able to give pleasure to those around us, but we should not lose sight of the many who are not fortunate enough to have loving friends and relatives to care for them. Hundreds, yes, perhaps, thousands of children in this city are doomed to the bitter disappointment of an empty Christmas stocking unless some stranger furnishes the necessary candy or toys or books with which to fill the void. There are many organizations which aim to provide both food and clothing for the needy and they are forced to their utmost to accomplish this without also seeking to give the children any unnecessary playthings. For us there is reserved the great pleasure of knowing that through our thought and generosity some poor children are saved the bitter feeling that Santa Claus has forgotten to visit

them. Surely each of us knows where a toy or a doll or a book will make Christmas real and happy to some little one who must otherwise go in want of what our own children are enjoying. If you cannot find a case of this kind to help we know the Rector can furnish the names and addresses of many poor and needy who need your assistance. An act of this practical Christianity will do more to give us a Merry Christmas than any gift we may receive from our dear ones. Think of the comfort in the thought that you individually have been the means of bringing sunshine to the face of one of God's little ones where otherwise a rain of tears might have fallen. Remember how Christ himself said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

Since our last issue subscriptions have been received from Mr. L. F. Schaefer. Miss Sallie Johnson, Mr. W. G. Rowley, Miss Dora Crouder, Mr. George W. Harkins.

The editors feel that they can reasonably expect copy regarding the activities of our various parish societies to be sent to them without having to constantly remind the members of the organizations that we desire news items.

The time that such copy should reach us is very clearly expressed at the head of this page, and must be strictly complied with, unless special permission be secured from one of the editors.

In future unless copy is furnished us to fill up the space on pages 7 and 8, allotted to Parish Guild, it will be necessary to use these pages for general matter of interest to all of our readers. It is, however, much to be desired that every society be represented on our pages, and we earnestly desire and request that each organization will appoint one member to whom we may look for news of the happenings in his or her particular part of the Parish Guild.

Parish Guild

Girls' Friendly Society.

We have just had a very interesting letter from Miss Clarkson, who was the leader of our Literature Class last winter. She is at present in France, having been in Europe since the middle of August.

She writes us of her very pleasant trip through Switzerland, where in October they take breakfast and lunch out-of-doors. She went up the Jungfrau and writes that you can see the birds flying beneath you in the valley, and can also see the avalanches start at the top of the mountains.

In the French city where she is now staying she says that on All Saint's Day the cemetery is wonderfully decorated, not only with cut flowers and plants, but with wreaths and set pieces of imitation flowers made of glass beads strung on wire.

O. G. K.

Choir Notes.

The musical program for Christmas Day will consist of the following:

Processional 56—"Christians awake," J. Wainwright.

Venite, Crotch.

Te Deum in A, C. V. Stanford.

Jubilate in A, C. V. Stanford.

Introit Hymn 59—"It came upon the midnight clear," Willis.

Kyrie (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Gloria Tibi (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Office Hymn 49—"O come, all ye faithful," Reading.

Anthem—"O come, Redeemer, of mankind," J. E. West.

Sursum Corda (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Sanctus (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Benedictus (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Hymn 219—"Here, O my Lord."

Gloria in Excelsis (St. Cecelia), Ch. Gounod.

Retrocessional Hymn 51—"Hark the herald angels sing," Mendelssohn.

On the Sunday following will be sung, "There were Shepherds," by B. Tours, and C.V.Stanford's Magnificat and Nunc

Dimittis, in addition to all the Christmas Day music, with the exception of Gounod's St. Cecelia Communion service, which will be repeated on the first Sunday in January, at which service Miss Helen Donlevey will assist with the harp. On Sunday evening, January 7th, the third of the Special Musical Services, will be sung by the choir, program of which may be found in this issue.

On Tuesday evening, November 28th, the choir were entertained by Miss Linck and Miss Willard, two choir members, at the home of the former in Germantown. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

The following are the regular members of Christ Church Choir:

Miss Collisson	Miss Elvidge
Miss M. Hayhurst	Miss Cummins
Miss L. Hayhurst	Mrs. Jackson
Miss Linck	Mrs. Land
Miss Steinmetz	Mrs. Anderson
Miss Abrams	Mrs. Cox
Miss Strein	Mrs. Kulp
Miss Linsay	Mr. Cox
Miss Smith	Mr. Lipp
Miss Fretz	Mr. Guthrie
Miss Seeds	Mr. Linsay
Miss Willard	Mr. Abrams
Miss Painter	Mr. Cox
Miss Meisle	Mr. Miles
Miss Duling	Mr. Hayhurst

Miss Wanda Groeneweld has accepted the position of soprano in the choir and will begin the first Sunday in January, succeeding Mrs. Jackson, who has resigned.

On Wednesday evening, January 24, the choir will give an entertainment, consisting of vocal and instrumental selections and recitations. The tickets are twenty-five cents and can be obtained from any member of the choir or the sexton. The proceeds will go toward the Organ Repair Fund.

Mothers' Meeting.

We meet every Tuesday at 2.30 in the Parish House. The 9th of January, which is the second Tuesday of the month, we are looking forward to our annual Christmas dinner. Then some of our kind friends in the parish will not only

help us by contributing toward the dinner, but will also assist as a committee of arrangements on that occasion.

We do want to have a "Sale" of clothing, garments that have been laid aside but not worn out, and will be very glad to have our good friends donate anything of that kind and send them to the parish house.

We all know that if the coming winter be hard and severe many things not needed by those who are able to provide better will be serviceable and appreciated by those less fortunate, who cannot buy new clothing and whose larder is often empty.

L. H. D.

Church Tramps.

The tramp leads a life of ease and variety which has, according to the testimony of a "professional," much in it to fascinate and interest the man whose ambition is to pass through the world bearing as little responsibility as possible and whose aim is to get his living out of the world without any care whether or not he makes any return to bountiful nature.

And there are church tramps. These, as a rule, dress very well; they go from church to church; they occupy front seats; they are always found among the pleased auditors of "Special sermons and extra musical programs" which furnish for them the spiritual variety which their prototypes in ordinary trampdom find in their aimless journeyings over the earth. The church tramp will drop a small coin on the passing collection plate; he will visit the church social and flatter the preacher, but carefully avoids an introduction to the church treasurer.

With the air of one conferring a favor, these religious wanderers will come to the minister for baptisms, funerals and other ministerial acts. With all other arrangements previously made, they will mercilessly condemn the minister who will not cancel any previous obligation to attend to their present necessities and go to another minister who will quickly "respond with the hope of gaining a new member for his flock." The church and the minister which owed him nothing are spoken ill of and injured wherever and whenever possible.

How numerous these church tramps are! A city pastor performs as many ministerial acts and even more, for "outsiders" than he does for the families which belong to his parish. These are so many parasites sapping life and power from the church. Pastors should go out to the lost sheep with a view to drawing them into the fold; but they should be made to understand that they have no rights. That which is done for them is by grace and not their due. In point of fact, why should the man who does not feel the church to be worth his support in health want the church when he dies?

The church tramp will not be offended by this editorial, for he does not read the church paper. But we will have accomplished our purpose if we succeed in directing the attention of pastors and church members to this prevalent weakness to such an extent as to move them to develop the organized church life so thoroughly as to make it possible to absorb and assimilate the parasites which are sapping their local congregational energy and make them a part of the supporting and active church organism. Let pulpit and pew modify methods of work until the church tramp, the most destructive of spiritual parasites, is an impossibility.

—*The Lutheran.*

A Recipe.

Take a quart of pure good will,
Flavor well with sympathy;
Boil it over the fire till
It is full of bubbling glee.
Season with a dash of cheer,
Mixed with love and tenderness,
Cool off in an atmosphere
That is mostly kindness.

Stick a dozen raisins in
Made of grapes from laughter's vine,
And such fruits as you may win
In a purely jocund line.
Make a batter from the cream
Of good spirit's running high,
And you'll hand a perfect dream
Of a Merry Christmas pie.

—*Blakeney Gray.*

Special Musical Service

Rendered by the choir, on first Sunday Evening of each month

Sunday Evening, Jan. 7th, 1912

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL—Hymn 62—"From the Eastern Mountains"
A. H. Mann

CREED, VERSICLES, COLLECTS

LESSON—St. Matthew 2

ANTHEM—"Sing, O Heavens" A. Sullivan
Solo by Mr. Cox

HYMN 49—"O come, all ye faithful" J. Reading

ANTHEM—"Hark, Hark, my soul" H. R. Shelley
words of hymn 398 (Soloists:--Miss Meisle and Miss Steinmetz)

OFFERTORY—TRIO "Ave Maria" Bach--Gounod
Violin, Harp and Organ

SELECTIONS from "ELIJAH" Mendelssohn

I—Recit. and Aria—"If with all your hearts".....Mr. Cox

2—Recit. and Air—" Lord God of Abraham" Mr. Guthrie

3—Choral—"Cast thy burden upon the Lord".....

Misses Groeneveld and Meisle; Messrs. Cox and Guthrie

4—Aria—"Hear ye, Israel".....Miss Groeneveld

5—Chorus—"Be not afraid".....Choir

6—Aria—"It is enough" Mr. Guthrie

7—Trio—"Lift thine eyes".....Misses Groeneveld, Steinmetz and
Meisle

8—Chorus—"He watching over Israel" Choir

9—Aria—"O rest in the Lord" Miss Meisle

10—Aria—"Then shall the righteous shine forth".... Mr. Cox

II—Chorus—"And then shall your light break forth".....Choir

COLLECTS AND BENEDICTIONS

RETROCESSIONAL—Hymn 323—"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"..
W. H. Havergale

Immediately after the above service, the following numbers
will be rendered by the Violin, Harp and Organ—

Air on the G string Bach

Meditation from "Thais"..... Massenet

Andante Tedeschi

Reverie Sobelman

SOLOISTS

Miss Wanda Groeneveld, Soprano Mr. Oscar Cox, Tenor

Miss Edna Steinmetz, Soprano Mr. Fred. Guthrie, Baritone

Miss Kathryn Meisle, Contralto

Miss Hariett Whitley, Violin. Miss Helen P. Donlevy, Harp]

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If you listen to all that is said as you
go;
You'll be worried and fretted, and kept
in a stew,
For meddlesome tongues must have
something to do—
And people will talk.

If quiet and modest you'll have it pre-
sumed
That your humble position is only as-
sumed.

You're a wolf in sheep's clothing, or
else you're a fool;
But don't get excited; keep perfectly
cool—

For people will talk.

And then if you show the least bold-
ness of heart,
Or a slight inclination to take your
own part,

They will call you an upstart, conceit-
ed and vain,

But keep straight ahead—don't stop
to explain—

For people will talk.

If threadbare your dress and old-fash-
ioned your hat—

Some one will surely take notice of
that;

And hint rather strong that you can't
pay your way,

But don't get excited whatever they
say—

For people will talk.

Be Yourself.

Perhaps you see in some one else,
The man you'd like to be—
Perhaps the garments that he wears
Just suit you to a "T"—
Perhaps his wealth, his handsome face,
His air of sweet content,
Have made you want to copy him
And all these things pre-empt.

But, friend, when God made you and
me.

He made us to be men—
If apes He'd wanted, apes He'd made
And placed us in a pen—

He made us in His likeness:

To think, and act, and talk,

To have opinions of our own,
And not in "circles" walk.

There is in us ability

To be just what we will—

But we must draw upon it, friend,

If we'd get up the "hill."

We are just what we are, because

We are content to be

Like brothers to those "hairy men"

Who live up in a tree.

Read, ponder, think, reflect,

Select what's best for you—

Don't handicap with precedent

That which, to you, is true;

Then you're a part of "God's great
plan,"

Nor bound by others' pelf—

You are a man, a noble man,

Because you are—yourself.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS: 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

Confirmation in Christ Church

The Bishop will confirm in Christ Church, on the Fourth Sunday in Lent March 17th. Confirmation instruction is being given by the Rector in the Parish House every Friday afternoon at four and Friday evening at eight o'clock. All persons, confirmed or unconfirmed are invited to attend these instructions. The Rector will be pleased to meet any who will confer with him, on this subject and he may be seen in Church after any Service, or at the Rectory, or by appointment. He cordially welcomes any person who may be overcome with doubt or desires information on religious subjects or who is burdened with any trouble. The Rector's first duty and greatest privilege is to help those who are "in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity," and he will gladly put aside everything else to minister to all such as shall come to him at any time.

A Word to Unconfirmed Manhood in this Community

There is a large number of men in this, as we presume there is in every community, whose attitude toward the Church is difficult to understand. They believe in its teachings, are willing to support it, want their child-

ren brought up in it and are often enthusiastic in its praise, yet have never been confirmed and seem to hold back from becoming communicants of the Church.

There are three excuses that seem to stand in the way of their confirmation.

First—There are those that fear they are not good enough to become communicants of the church. There are two ways of looking at this excuse. Confirmation is not intended for those who "are good enough" but for those who recognize their weakness and sinfulness and desire to become better. Of course there are those who love their Sins so well that they do not want to become better. To these Jesus Christ has no message. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled." There is no blessing upon those who hunger for wickedness and thirst for iniquity.

But there are men in this class, while they think they are not good enough," they would like to be better, who would like to be better, have the strength to live up to their ideal of what a Christian should be. To such we would say that no human being who has high ideals lives up to them. The best we may do is to grow towards them and the best way to grow towards them is by using the

means of grace, such as Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, which God gives us through His Church. "My Grace is sufficient for thee," but only when men seek His Grace. "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." You are a Sinner? Well, then, Christ calls you. Are you, like men, willing to answer that call? If so, then, show the stuff that is in you, and act like men. If so, then, let your best manhood assert itself. "put on the armor of Jesus Christ" and resolve to fight manfully under His banner unto your life's end. His Grace will sustain you in the fight. "Quit yourself like men" says the apostle. There is no defeat unless you refuse to serve or unless you give up the fight.

"Fight on my love, till death
Shall bring thee to thy God;
He'll take thee at thy parting breath
Up to His blest abode."

Second—There are men who hold back because they lack the moral courage to take the step. It does take a good deal of moral courage for a man to come forward and announce his principles publicly. But in politics, when great moral evils are at stake a man who lacks moral courage to declare his principles and does not dare to vote as his conscience dictates is considered a moral coward.

The State makes this test of her loyal citizens, and Christ makes His disciples stand this same test. We would glory in holding up the flag of our Country even if we stood alone and our life was forfeited by our courage.

Men! Let the same courageous manhood assert itself in raising the standard of the cross, remembering that if you through cowardice deny Christ before men He will deny you before your Father which is in Heaven.

Third—There are men who intend to take this step "some day," but find it convenient to make an excuse why they should not do it now.

In the United States Army there is an age limit after which men cannot enlist. Why not? Because, if

the United States Army cannot have the services of a man when he is young and vigorous they do not want his services when he is old and feeble.

We do not say that Christ will not accept us at any age. His love is too great to reject His children at any age, but any man's self-respect ought to be such that he should be ashamed to say to Jesus Christ: "Yes, Lord, when I have given the best years of my life in serving my self; when I have spent my best vigor and manhood in the service of the world; when I am broken in health and am nearing my end, then I will enter Thy Service. Not now, Lord; not now in the strength of my manhood, when I could be of much valuable service to Thee! Not now, but after awhile." Will any man, who is a real man, offer such an excuse to God?

No true man will offer any such excuse to Christ. A service postponed from year to year. Men! Stand up like men and bear a man's testimony to the fact that Jesus Christ, is your Lord and Master, and although you may be unworthy followers, of Him yet you will endeavor by His help and guidance to be His faithful soldier and servant unto your life's end.

Your Rector needs the support of men, if his work is going to be effective in building up the character of the young and bringing into the Church the strength and vigor for its moral influence. The church needs the strong work, and the strong manhood of the land needs the Church. The Lord Jesus Christ calls for men and to-day all over this world, the bravest and the strongest and the best manhood in the world is more and more responding to that call and more and more the prophecy of our Lord is gradually being fulfilled. "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." Men! Men, who have not yet come out and declared yourselves for Christ! Is there any manly reason why you should not answer that call and come forward at this Confirmation and enlist in His Service?

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for February

February 2nd—Purification.
February 4th—Septuagesima.
February 11th—Sexagesima.
February 18th—Quinquagesima.
February 21st—ASH WEDNESDAY
February 24th—S. Mathias.
February 25th—First Sunday in Lent.
February 28th—Ember Day.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 2nd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

One of the fundamental principles of our American liberty is the much talked of "Freedom of the Press" and yet it seems that at the present time even this is being carried to extremes in some ways. Particularly is this true in the accounts which are published in our newspapers and magazines of murders suicides and divorces. Much of the detail which is so vividly portrayed is both unnecessary and unwise. The average youthful mind will fairly devour the most revolting details of some crime or scandal and certainly not be benefited thereby. The police records are said to show conclusively that when some poor, crazed soul takes an unusual method of committing self-murder there is almost sure to follow a string of imitations on the part of others who are no doubt influenced by reading the printed accounts.

We do not mean to unduly blame the writers of the newspapers, for they are simply complying with a demand on the part of their readers for excitement and so-called entertainment. We are ourselves as a people much to blame and we have it in our power to correct this fault. If we demand clean, wholesome reading in our newspapers and plays in our theatres we can be accommodated. Is it not worth at least striving for?

New Envelope System

At the last meeting of the vestry it was decided to put into effect at Easter time, the beginning of the new fiscal year of the Parish, a system of weekly offering known as the "Duplex System." This system has been introduced into a large number of Parishes with most successful results. It consists of an envelope for every Sunday in the year, each envelope having in it two pockets. In one pocket is to be placed the subscriber's weekly offering for the current expenses of the Parish. In the other pocket (in the same envelope) is to be placed the weekly offering for missions. Thus side by side, on each Sunday of the year, the subscriber can give for his own parish expenses and also an offering for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ to those outside the Parish. In every Church where this system has been introduced a double blessing has flowed, an increase of revenue for the home Parish and an increase in the offering for Missions. By this system, the blue envelopes for monthly offerings to Missions now contained in each package of envelopes, will be done away with, and there will no longer be special Sundays in the year for Missionary offerings, as heretofore, but every Sunday will be a "Missionary Sunday," as it should be. It is hoped and firmly believed that this new system will be heartily welcomed by all our parishioners. It has been so welcomed wherever it has been introduced. It is a decided step forward in recognition of the fundamental principle of Christianity that our duty is not done when we give to the support of the work in our own Parish alone but our interest and our sympathy and our support should go out to others. The apportionment which the Board of Missions of our Church has asked this Parish to give is \$1200 a year. All Parishes in the diocese and throughout the land are asked to give proportionately. This is the least that the Board of Missions can get along with from Christ Church if it is to meet the obligations which of course it must meet, that are resting upon it. If this Parish fails in raising its apportionment, some other

Parish will have to make up our share, which, of course, no loyal member of Christ Church will want to have done. It need not be done if every one will give each Sunday something, according as God has blessed him, to the cause of the extension of the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world. There can be no doubt that every Christian and loyal member of Christ Church will cordially and generously respond to this larger opportunity for usefulness and that the result will be a double blessing, a blessing to this Parish and a blessing to the cause of Missions.

The New Apportionment Plan

The Board of Missions of the Church inaugurated on the first day of September a new method of meeting the Missionary budget of the Church. In former years it has depended very largely upon a few very large givers to "make up" the yearly deficit. This is as unsatisfactory a method of giving in the Church at large as it is in a Parish. A much healthier, saner, and rational method is for every member to do his duty. The Board, therefore, asks of the church this year a very much larger sum than ever before. This amounts in many instances, to an increase of one half of the previous apportionment. In many dioceses it seemed like a heavy burden, and doubtless still so seems. The fact that it was to include all the offerings of the Woman's Auxiliary and Sunday Schools helps very considerably, but after everything is taken into account the advance which the Church is called upon to make is a large one.

"The Board of Missions was impelled to make this call because it wanted to be frank with the Church, and just to the Church's great work. For several years the budget of expenditure has been greater than the sum of the apportionment. It was inevitable that yearly deficits should occur. The new Board was determined to ask directly and frankly for the whole amount necessary, believing that the Church so values the work her Master has set her to do that she

will respond to such a call.

"The Board has also made a change in the method of apportioning, and no longer selects certain bodies of people within the congregation upon whom to levy a special apportionment. The missionary forces represented in the Woman's and Junior Auxiliaries and Sunday Schools should, in the opinion of the Board, have an opportunity to help the diocese in its great undertaking, and should not be divorced from it. Their offerings, therefore, will count upon the bulk apportionment made to their diocese. Even the penny of the smallest child in the Sunday School will go to the credit of its diocese as a part of that which it has done for love of its Master, to make Him known in all the world. This change of method inevitably involves some readjustment, and possibly some temporary difficulty. We have grown used to one plan and do not readily adapt ourselves to another. But if the Board is right in its estimate that the majority of our dioceses and districts are favorable to the levying of a single apportionment, this change should be a great stimulus, and will make easier rather than harder the task we have set ourselves to do.

"That task is not an impossible one. The sum asked of the Church is large only when compared with what we have been accustomed to give. It is not large in the face of our growing opportunities and our abundant resources. There is ample money for the needs of the Church's mission if men can be brought to understand."

The services on Christmas Day were all largely attended. There were over two hundred persons communicated at the two Early Celebrations of the Holy Communion and about one hundred at the eleven o'clock service. This is a larger number of Christmas Communions than usual.

The Sunday School Christmas Service held in the Church on Christmas Eve was a beautiful "Carol Service" and the singing, under the direction of Colonel Sheldon Potter, was well rendered by the members of the School.

The Rev. Mr. McHenry gave one of his happy addresses to the children.

The Christmas Entertainments for the School were held on the following Thursday (Holy Innocents' Day). The Primary Department had a merry time in the afternoon and the Upper Schools were entertained in the evening by a Christmas Cantata, given by the members of the School.

The illustrated story of "Scrooge and Marley" given by Mr. George Morgan was greatly enjoyed both by old and young.

Of course, old Santa Claus, was on hand at both entertainments and was most kind and liberal to all his many young friends.

There was only one regret and disappointment to the members of the School, and that was that Mr. James H. Ritter, our faithful and beloved Superintendent, was unable, through serious illness, to be present. The "good reliable" Mr. Middleton, who never fails us in an emergency or at any other time, was on hand and took charge of the exercises and successfully carried them out.

Too much credit cannot be given to the Committee in charge of the entertainments, and especially to Mrs. Heyer and Miss Morgan, who so efficiently drilled the children in their Cantatas.

At the invitation of the Rector, Mr. John W. Wood, of the Board of Missions in New York, gave an address, Sunday morning, January 7th, in Christ Church on the Missionary work of the Church. Mr. Wood reviewed briefly the work that is being done in the Missionary field and spoke of the wonderful opportunities that are opening up for Missionary work in various parts of the world. The Church is more alive to-day than ever before to the Christian duty and privilege of Missions and a wave of Missionary enthusiasm is arousing Christians of every name to their common mission of taking the Gospel to every creature.

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EDITORIAL

The condition of our Sunday School deserves prominent mention in these pages. The improvement in every department and phase of the work is most marked and is very encouraging to those who are laboring for the success of the School. There is a substantial increase in the attendance this year over that for corresponding Sundays for several years past. The offerings have increased in greater proportion than the number present. The interest manifested in the spiritual work of the School is the most gratifying part of all the improvement. In every respect our School is doing a greater work than for some years and yet there is plenty of room for added activity.

The Editor knows of many children of this Parish whose parents are not sending them to Sunday School. Surely no parent has a more important duty to his or her child than to see and know that it is being properly taught its duty toward God and His Church. The 3 R's "readin'-ritin' and 'rithmetic," are excellently taught

in our public schools, but how about the fourth R "religion?" A learned man recently said that the 3R's taught to the exclusion of anything higher spelt "rascal" in many cases; but that the full complement with Religion, the fourth R, included most frequently spelt "righteousness." How about our children? Are we satisfied with 3 R's or Day where they may be instructed in the fourth R which leads to righteousness?

The enforced absence of our Superintendent, Mr. James H. Ritter, owing to sickness, is very much regretted. Mr. Ritter has been most earnest in his efforts since he took charge of the School early in the fall and the success this season is largely due to his untiring work. He has had the sincere co-operation of his associates in the cause and has by careful and systematic study of the task been able to make the School progress very satisfactorily under his leadership. Every member of the Sunday School looks forward to and prays for his early return to his place in our midst.

The high standard of the music in Christ Church and the excellent manner in which it is rendered have been most favorably commented upon by visitors from other churches in Germantown and also by many persons from the city. The general class of music selected is exceptionally good and the music rendered on special occasions is of a type attempted only by the more prominent choirs. The special musical services which are being held on the first Sunday of each month are very pleasing indeed and it is gratifying that so many persons appreciate the opportunity given them to hear really good music so acceptably rendered.

The Choir Master and every member of the choir are to be congratulated on their efforts and upon the success which is rewarding them.

Parish Guild

Mother's Meeting

January 9th, the long anticipated day, was ushered in when Jack Frost had, I think, surprised even himself, although many pedestrians met with many a surprise during that day as they came in contact with the glassy sidewalks, and they must have felt like the affrighted old lady of color when she exclaimed, "I dun think ebery minnit ud be my nex." Notwithstanding while Jack Frost kept piling up the cold, we were surprised and rejoiced to be able to greet a goodly number of our "Mothers" before three o'clock, the time appointed. All seemed in a merry, jolly mood and harmony reigned in kitchen, dining room and Audience Chamber.

Miss Sallie Johnson kindly favored us with a most interesting talk about China, demonstrating it from her table of pictures, curios and silken materials of fine texture, embroidered bands of exquisitely blended colors, until as a whole, it represented a gorgeous Oriental selection of color.

We have one Mother whose proportions are generous, and when she donned the rich brocaded green silk gown with its beautiful decoration of color, usually worn by a Mandarin lacking only the famous yellow Cap and Button, and the Cue she really looked like the real, living Chinese Official.

After the distribution of Santa's gifts from our unavoidably absent President, Mrs. Morrison, whom we all love, Miss Collison, our musical stand-by and helper, played the march which was led by our Rector's good wife and dear little Robert, all were seated to our feast of good things. We did miss, however, our faithful well-wisher and friend, the Rector, who had migrated, like the birds, to a Southern clime, i. e. Atlantic, in search of quiet and long needed rest.

We wish to extend to our Committee of ladies who so generously donated "good things" and valuable time, our grateful appreciation of their united efforts contributing so much to the success of our Annual Dinner, not for-

getting, but including our young friends the "Girl's Friendly" who always respond so readily to any request presented to them.

L. H. D.

The meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary have been well attended this fall and it is hoped that this large attendance will continue throughout the winter. There is, however, a large number of ladies in the Parish who have not yet been present at any of the meetings. This is both a source of regret and in some cases, surprise; regret that they are not sharing with others the blessing of working and giving-for missions, and surprise that any woman, who is baptized into the name of the Great Missionary, Jesus Christ, is not interested in missions. The Woman's Auxiliary is intended to include every woman in the Parish and an invitation is extended to all to attend the monthly meeting at the next meeting, Thursday, February 8th. The Auxiliary meets on the first Thursday morning of each month in the Parish House at half-past ten o'clock. We shall be pleased to welcome more ladies of the Parish at the next meeting, Thursday, February 8th.

Lent begins this year, February 21st. It is now time to prepare for this Holy Season. In the next issue of the Chimes a full schedule of the Lenten Services will be published, together with the course of special lectures and addresses to be given.

This year 1912, is the Sixtieth Anniversary Year of Christ Church Parish. It is hoped that the year will be marked by special earnestness, and greater endeavor on the part of all members. Ten years ago, when the Parish celebrated its Semi-Centennial, the members arose to the occasion and paid off in full a long standing debt, so that since then the Parish has been free from all debt.

Now this year the sixtieth anniversary, a glorious opportunity is presented to the members to make an offer-

ing that will pay in full the balance due on our Parish House. We believe the Vestry will improve this opportunity and we feel that all the members will generously respond.

"Respect for her traditions have always been a chief note of the Church, and the great safeguard of her Catholicity. In this she is governed, not merely by principles of human conservatism, but by a sense of Divine responsibility. Knowing herself to have no earthly origin, the result of mutual consent, but to have been created and raised up by God for this very purpose—to bear witness to Christ—she has always felt herself bound, as the first of her duties, to deliver from age to age the revelation made to her at the outset, unimpaired and unadulterated. Voluntary societies, are under no such obligations. To modify the doctrines of their founders is in them no crime. But in the Church it would be the gravest of all crimes. She believes that her Founder was Himself 'the Truth.' She knows that He imparted to her, once and for all, 'the Spirit of Truth.' It is her conviction that in the first burst of His inspiration, He opened to the first generation of believers, the Apostles and those next to them, the entire wealth of truth, in the form in which they could apprehend it, and set it forth. Through those illuminated teachers she received the truth, as a sacred trust, for the benefit of humanity to the furthest shores and to the latest posterity. 'Keep the deposit' is the solemn injunction of the departing Apostles. 'Contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered to the saints,' repeat their immediate associates who shared their inspiration. 'Let no innovation be made upon the received faith.' 'Let the ancient customs hold good' echoes the Nicene Council. To this test everything is brought. It is in accordance with the historical belief and practice of the Church. If not, it stands self-condemned. By this test the Nicene Fathers rejected Arianism. By this test the controversies of modern times must be settled. No new-fangled inventions are to be joined with that sacred heir-loom."—Selected.

Killed By Giving

Bishop Whipple, in a letter written just before his death, said: "I close by repeating a story which dear Bishop Clarkson loved to tell. A devout colored preacher whose heart was aglow with missionary zeal, gave the notice to his congregation that in the evening an offering would be taken up for missions, and asked for liberal gifts. He had in his congregation one well-to-do man who was very selfish, and who said to him before the service: 'Yer gwine to kill dis church ef yer goes on saying, Give! No church can stan' it! Yer gwine ter kill it.' After the sermon the minister said to the people, 'Before the service to-night Brother Jones told me I was gwine ter kill dis yere church if I keep a asking yer to give; but, my brethren churches do'sn't die that way. Ef dere's anybody knows of a church dat's died 'cause it's been giving too much to der Lord, I'll be very much obliged ef my brother will tell me whar dat church is, fur I'se gwine to visit it, an' I'll clim up on de walls of dat church under te light of the moon, and cry, 'Blessed are de dead dat die in de Lord.'"—Selected.

It is easy for the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.
—Emerson.

In the Silence

Who would himself and God would know,
Into the silence let him go,
And lifting off pall after pall,
Reach to the inmost depth of all.
How small in that uplifted hour,
Temptation's lure and passion's power!
How weak the foe that made him fall!
How strong the soul to conquer all!
A mighty wind of nobler will
Sends through his soul its quickening thrill;
No more a creature of the clod.
He knows himself a child of God.
—James Martineau.

FOURTH SPECIAL MUSICAL SERVICE

Rendered by the Choir, on First Sunday Evening of Each month

Sunday Evening, Feb. 4th, 1912.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL—Hymn 73—"Alleluia! song of gladness".....Haydn(?)
CREED, VERSICLES, COLLECTS.
LESSON—S. Matthew 5.
HYMN 437—"Come unto Me, ye weary"..... J. B. Dykes
CANTATA "THE DAUGHTER OF JAIRUS" J. B. Dykes
No. 1—Organ Introduction.
No. 2—Choral Recitative.
In that day shall the Lord of Hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty unto the residue of His people. Is. xxviii. 5.
O Lord be gracious unto us; we have waited for Thee. Be Thou our salvation in the time of trouble. Is. xxxiii. 2.
He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it He will answer thee. Thou shalt weep no more. Is. xxx. 19.
No. 3—Recitative (Soprano).
Behold, there cometh unto Jesus one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw Him, he fell at His feet, and besought Him greatly, saying:
Bass.
My little daughter lieth at the point of death; I pray Thee, come and lay Thine hands upon her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.
Soprano.
And Jesus went with him; and much people followed Him.
Chorus.
Trouble not the Master. Thy daughter is dead.
Bass.
My little daughter even now is dead. But lay Thine hands upon her, I pray Thee; come, and lay Thine hands upon her, and she shall live.
Soprano.
When Jesus heard it, He said, Fear not, believe, and she shall be made whole.
No. 4—Song (Tenor).
My hope is in the Everlasting, that He will save you; and joy is come unto me from the Holy One, because of the mercy which shall soon come unto you from the Everlasting, our Saviour. Baruch iv. 22.
I sent you out with mourning and weeping. But God will give you to me again with joy and gladness forever. Baruch iv. 22.
No. 5—Recitative (Soprano).
When Jesus cometh unto the house of the ruler, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.
The wailing (chorus of women)
Sweet tender flower,
Born for an hour,
Now by death's cold hand stricken,
Ne'er shall thy voice
Laugh and rejoice,
Ne'er shall thy life-blood quicken.
Sleep, gentle Child!
Pure, undefiled;
Weeping, to dust we yield thee;
Hush'd are thy cries,
Closed are thine eyes,
Peace now for ever shield thee.
No. 6—Recitative (Soprano).
And when Jesus was come in, He saith unto them, Weep not, she is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed Him to scorn.
No. 7—Chorus of unbelievers (Tenors and Basses).
In the death of a man there is no remedy, neither was any man known to have returned from the grave. The breath in our nostrils is as smoke, and a little spark in the moving of our hearts, which being extinguished our bodies shall be turned to ashes, and our spirit shall vanish as the soft air. Wisdom ii. 1, 2.
Come on, let us enjoy the good things of the present. Let no flower of the spring pass by us; let us crown ourselves with rosebuds before they be withered. Wisdom ii. 6, 7, 8.
This man professeth to have the knowledge of God. He was made to reprove our thoughts. Let us see if His words be true! Wisdom ii. 13, 17.
No. 8—Recitative and Chorus (soprano).
But when Jesus had put them all out, He taketh with Him the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with Him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying, and He took her by the hand, saying: "Maid, I say to thee, Arise!" and her spirit came again; and she arose and walked.

Chorus.

Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. Ephesians v. 14.
Likewise reckon ye yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans vi. II.
Let not sin reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey the lusts thereof. But yield yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead. Romans vi. 12.

No. 9—Duet (Soprano and Tenor).

1. Love Divine! all love excelling, Joy of Heaven to Earth come down, Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown.	3. Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all Thy grace receive, Hasten to return and never, Never more Thy temple leave.
2. Jesu! Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded Love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.	4. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above; Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

No. 10—Trio and Chorus.

To Him who left His throne on high
Mankind from death to raise,
To Him, with the Father and the Holy
Ghost
Be everlasting praise. Amen. Hallelujah.

OFFERTORY—Orgon Solo—Marche Funebre et Chant Seraphique
Alex. Guilmant

COLLECTS AND BENEDICTION.

RETROCESSIONAL—Hymn 412—"The King of Love my Shepherd is"
J. B. Dykes

SOLOISTS.

Miss Wanda Groeneveld, Soprano Mr. Oscar Cox, Tenor
Miss Edna Steinmetz, Soprano Mr. Frederick Guthrie, Baritone
Miss Kathryn Meisle, Contralto

Mr. LeRoy M. Rile, A. A. G. O.—Organist and Choirmaster.

WHY ARE YOU A CHURCHMAN?

This in the minds of most people takes the form of one or two questions. All Protestant bodies who make light of precedents and ancient authorities, ask "Why do you insist upon the Historic Episcopate for us, and why do you have Bishops yourselves?" On the other hand, those who make a great deal of historic precedent, say: "We believe with you in having Bishops. But won't you be consistent, and have a Pope, too?" We answer that we have Bishops, because we find, in the primitive church, that is, in the church in Christ's time, they had Bishops. We have had Bishops only, because we are sure it had no such thing as the modern Pope. Taking up the first form of the question, there are

Eight Good Reasons

For holding that the primitive

church was Episcopal in government, viz.:

(1.) At Pentecost the break in number of the twelve by the defection of Judas was immediately filled by the appointment of Matthias, who took his bishopric.

(2.) When James perished by the sword, Simeon, according to the statement of Eusebis, was appointed immediately to take his place of his place as the Bishop of Jerusalem.

(3.) Paul was appointed by the direct voice of God, as the Apostle to the Gentiles. He in turn designated Timothy and Titus, to exercise the office to which he had been appointed in certain local churches. We notice from the New Testament, that they did not get their names or their power through the superiority of character only, but also from their consecration to an office, and such an office to which the congregations that they be-

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them.

(4.) The seven angels of Asia were addressed by the Apostle John, as holding positions of accountability to those who sent them, the word angel having the same significance as the word Apostle, being one sent.

longed to had no power to consecrate
(5.) Clement of Rome, who was known personally to the Apostles, referred to the High Priest and Levite as the analogy that governed the establishment of three orders of ministry in the Christian Church. He also stated that the Apostles who knew the mind of the Saviour provided for the appointment of the Episcopate.

(6.) Ignatius of Antioch, who lived thirty years during the time of the Apostle John, said that the Episcopate was of divine ordering.

(7.) Those who knew the Apostolic fathers, i. e., Irenaeus, Tertullian and Jerome said that John ordained Polycarp to be the bishop of Smyrna. Clement of Alexandria said that John the Apostle appointed bishops after his return from Patmos.

(8.) The universal spread of the Episcopate in the second century is undisputed, and can only be accounted for by its establishment in Apostolic times.

From the above, it will be seen that the organization of the primitive church was not to be Congregational. Each society was not to form for itself its own rules and adopt a constitution of its own, with ministers receiving their appointments from the people. Nor was it to be Presbyterian, governed by a college of local pastors, having equality of orders. These were methods of government which seem

to have been made necessary in times when the historic churches, both at Rome and at Canterbury, became political machines, and when liberty for believing a right doctrine was considered—as no doubt it then was—more important than an ancient form of government. Even Calvin lamented that the reforming churches did not have the unbroken continuity with the primitive church as they had an untarnished faith.

Although in primitive times there was much unsettled in the matter of administration, and there was a want of explicitness as to names given to the ministry; bishops acting as rectors of parishes and presbyters confirming, still, there are marks of this office which are plain, namely; corporate authority, officers sent, not chosen and called apostles, placed over other orders of ministers. Upon the same grounds of evidence and from the same lips as we accept the canonicity of the New Testament, do we accept the ordering of the church under an Episcopate. We have not only the sanction of our own communion, but of over 300,000,000 out of 350,000,000 Christian people of the globe to-day.

We take up the second form of the question, "You have bishops, why don't you have a pope?" We give as a reply one answer, and that is, there are

No Reasons

for believing that the early British Church through which our church has its organization was ever governed by anyone but bishops. It certainly was not governed by a pope. At the council at Arles in 314, bishops were present from the British Isles. In 595

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Augustine sought to bring the British bishops under his authority. In this he failed. Here is their reply: "The British churches owe the deference of brotherly kindness and charity to the Church of God, to the pope of Rome and to all Christians. But other obedience than this they do not know to be due him whom you call pope. We are under the jurisdiction of the bishop of Carleon upon Usk."

The Papal supremacy was a parenthesis in its religious history. With the coming of William the Conqueror, A. D. 1066, the advance was made until King John, 1213, sold the crown to the pope, without the assent of either church or state. Earl Selborne has said: "There never was a time when the independence and liberties of the Church of England were not, to a large extent, practically maintained against the encroachments of the court

of Rome, or when its rights and organization as a national church were not protected by English law."

One of the historians of the American church has said: "In the time of Henry the VIII. there was no interruption in the continuity of the English Church; no approach to the sundering of the lines which connected her with the Saxon Church before the Conquest, or the British Church before the withdrawal of the Roman legions. Henry the VII. never attempted to found a church; he never in his day dreamed that he was founding a church. What was done in the reign of Henry the VIII. was to disallow, with the consent of Bishops Bonner of London and Gardiner of Winchester, the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Rome over the realm of England is resting upon divine right.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY
} 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

A Letter from the Rector To My Dear People:

It is impossible for me to express the deep gratitude that I feel for all the many kindnesses which you have shown to me during my illness. The many kind enquiries and the messages of love, the flowers and the delicacies sent to the Rectory, and then the large and generous sum of money contributed by so many kind friends in the Parish to defray my expenses during the enforced rest which my physician has ordered me to take, have all touched me deeply. They have made me feel profoundly the great debt of love which I owe to the people of Christ Church, a debt that I shall never be able to repay.

I hope that the rest, which I expect to take, will restore me to my accustomed health and I pray that I may be able, in some measure, to show how greatly I appreciate your kindness and consideration, by a more unselfish and devoted service to the Master and the Master's cause.

It is a great regret to me that I shall not be able to share with you in the blessed privileges of this Lenten Season. Is it asking too much of you, my dear friends, to remember me in your prayers? I need not assure you that my thoughts and my prayers will often be with you during this Holy Season.

On the joyous feast of Easter let us all, my dear friends, kneel before God's Altar and there feel and know, that, although separated by time and space, we all are one in the blessed Communion of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,
Charles Henry Arndt.

Our Pattern

God gives to us the perfect Standard of Divine Manhood—Jesus Christ—to be our Pattern. The development of this type in us enables us to understand what St. Paul means when he says that Christ lives in us.

We have before us the Pattern—We are to fashion ourselves after it, and the more we seek to do this so much the more we go from strength to strength.

Is it not one of the greatest incentives to Lenten discipline "to be made like unto Him?"

Christ came into the world with a purpose—definite and clear. From the manger to the cross, we see in Him one great resolve. The three-fold temptation of Satan in the wilderness thought to weaken that purpose and turn the Master away from His resolution. And it failed, while the Savior was victorious.

"I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men to Me." "I come to seek and to

save that which was lost." "I am come that ye might have life."

This was the great purpose; and though the Saviour acknowledged that "the Son of Man must suffer many things" to accomplish that purpose, He resolutely set His face toward Jerusalem and faltered not until on Calvary was heard the exultant victorious cry: "It is finished."

That same purpose is the great responsibility of every Christian to the age in which he lives; and it defines for each one of us the spirit of Lent. A steadfast purpose to live the Saviour's life that we may fulfil His work to draw all men to Christ and to make them partakers in His Salvation.

There may be much that you may desire to do for your own spiritual good during this blessed season. There is much you need. But don't be selfish. Look outward—see how much your influence is needed in your own community to bring men to Christ. Catch the purpose of the Master—the great purpose of His life. Let that purpose be your's. And then Lent will be to you a season that inspires you with its larger vision, and while you deepen your own religious life as one great essential element, if you are to be a living illustration of the power of Christ in your own life you will be ready to aid in every way in your power the salvation of others.

Daily Prayers for Lent.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. —Amen.

O BLESSED SPIRIT of truth, Thou who searchest the heart and triest the inmost thoughts, bring, I pray Thee, my sins to my remembrance and grant me light to see and find them out. Strengthen me also with courage to confess them truly, hiding nothing, excusing nothing, keeping nothing in my heart, that I may of Thy mercy obtain pardon and absolution, and thus healed may arise and sin no more through the merits and for the sake of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour —Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; I acknowledge and bewail my manifold sins and wickedness, Which I from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against me. I do earnestly repent, And am heartily sorry for these my misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto me; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon me, Have mercy upon me, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive me all that is past; And grant that I may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life. To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, give me grace to so fix my eyes during this season on Thy most pure and holy life, that I may learn my own impurity and sin and seek in all humility to be conformed to Thy will and to be made like unto Thee, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost we adore as One God, world without end.—Amen.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, hear my prayers and grant my petitions in this time of grace and penitence. Enable me to perform my religious duties with exactitude and reverence, and grant that this fast, consecrated by the example and precepts of Thy adorable Son, may be pleasing in Thy sight and strengthen me with His might, that I may serve Thee more faithfully in time to come and finally bring me to Thy eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

For Missions

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

O ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants, and grant unto our parish all things that are needed for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

In the Silence

Who would himself and God would know,
Into the silence let him go,
And lifting off pall after pall
Reach to the inmost depth of all.
How small in that uplifted hour,
Temptation's lure and passion's power!
How weak the foe that made him fall!
How strong the soul to conquer all!
A mighty wind of nobler will
Sends through his soul its quickening thrill;

No more a creature of the clod
He knows himself a child of God.
—James Martineau

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 3rd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Kalendar for Lent, A. D., 1912.

February
21. Ash Wednesday.
24. S. Matthias.
25. First Sunday in Lent.
28. Ember Day.
March
1-2. Ember Days.
3. Second Sunday in Lent.
10. Third Sunday in Lent.
17. Fourth Sunday in Lent.
24. Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.
25. Annunciation B. V. M.
31. Sunday (Palm) next before Easter.
April

Holy Week

1. Monday before Easter.
2. Tuesday before Easter.
3. Wednesday before Easter.
4. Maundy Thursday.
5. Good Friday.
6. Easter Even.
7. Easter Day.

A Seven Fold Lent

A Repentant Lent.
A Confessing Lent.
A Fasting Lent.
A Praying Lent.
A Communing Lent.
A Meditative Lent.
A Working Lent.

O LORD, who through ages past hast trained Thy Church, as at this season, in finding out and striving against the secret or open sins which may be displeasing in Thy sight; by the help of the Holy Spirit lay open to me my heart and life, that I may in humble penitence lay them at the foot of the Cross of Christ for cleansing through His most precious blood.—Amen.

SERVICES IN LENT



SUNDAYS

Holy Communion, every
 Sunday 7.30 A. M.
 Morning Service, Sermon. 11.00 A. M.
 Evening Service, Sermon
 by Special Preachers.... 7.45 P. M.

EVENING PRAYER

Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sat-
 urdays (Address)..... 4.45 P. M.

WEDNESDAYS

Holy Communion..... 7.30 A. M.
 Service and Address on
 Confirmation and Church
 History..... 8.00 P. M.

ANNUNCIATION, B. V. M., MARCH 25

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.

Special Lenten Preachers

Sunday evening, February 25, Rev. C. C.
 Pierce, D.D., Rector, of S. Matthews, Phila.
 Sunday morning, March 3, Rev. John B.
 Faulkner, D. D., Rector Emeritus of Christ
 Church.

Sunday evening, March 3, Rev. Henry M.
 Medary, Rector of Church of the Advocate,
 Phila.

Sunday evening, Mar. 10, Rev. T. J. Taylor,
 M. A.

Sunday evening, March 17, Confirmation—
 Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D.
 Sunday evening, March 24, Rev. R. W.
 Woodroffe, Rector of St. Davids, Mana-
 yunk.

Sunday, March 31, Rev. H. Cresson Mc-
 Henry.

Contemplation

Lent is the season of contemplation. We have seasons of great joy and hope: Christmas, Easter, Ascension. We have, too, the season which recalls to the thinking person the self-denial, the trials, the agony and the sacrifice of our Blessed Lord and Redeemer. The Christian, who hears the voice of Holy Church, thinks about these things. He purposely, dispassionately, without the blare of sensationalism, puts himself in the way of thinking most seriously of what the sufferings of Jesus mean for him. He frequents the services to hear from Lesson and pulpit the story of the Passion of our Lord. He comes to the Altar to confess his own unworthiness and to receive renewed strength.

Holy Week Services

HOLY COMMUNION

Every day (except Good
 Friday and Saturday.... 7.30 A. M.

MEDITATIVE READING ON SACRED EVENTS OF EACH DAY

Every afternoon (except
 Good Friday)..... 4.45 P. M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Service and Address..... 8.00 P. M.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Holy Communion..... 8.00 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY

Penitential Office, Pro-
 Anaphora, Address..... 10.00 A. M.
 THREE HOURS MEDITATION
 ON THE SEVEN WORDS FROM
 THE CROSS 12 M—3 P. M.
 Meditation conducted by the Rev.
 Howard E. Thompson, Woodbury,
 New Jersey.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion.... 6.30—7.30 A. M.
 Morning Prayer, Sermon,
 Holy Communion..... 11.00 A. M.
 SUNDAY SCHOOL EAS-
 TER CAROL SERVICE 7.30 P. M.



Note:—Confirmation Instruction in
 the church, Wednesday evenings, at
 8 o'clock.

The Bishop will Confirm in this
 Church, the Fourth Sunday evening
 in Lent, March 17th.

One thing is certain. If you under-
 take the honest observation of Lent,
 you will find it worth while. There
 are many blessings in a well-kept
 Lent—some of them will surely be
 yours. No one ever spent forty days
 in preparation to stand before the
 great Cross on Calvary to witness the
 Divine passion without gaining in
 spiritual power. This is what we seek.
 This is what we shall find.

There is only one way for you to
 find out the value of keeping Lent and
 that is to Keep Lent. You catch
 glimpses of it in the faithful, but you
 cannot really know. You must learn
 in the performance. GOD grant that
 each one of us may choose to learn
 this year what it means to keep Lent.

Our Rector's Vacation

Our beloved Rector, the Rev. Mr. Arndt has worn himself completely out by his indefatigable labors and untiring fidelity. No one but he knows how great is the burden not only of actual work but of sympathy, which daily falls upon him. As an instance the writer can only mention one day when in making a sick call late in the afternoon, he confessed that in that one day he had already held two private communions with the sick and officiated at two funerals. Our Parish is doing a great missionary work right here at our doors among people whom we rarely see in church but who nevertheless need her ministrations. All this work falls upon our Rector so that Sunday services are really a minor part of his duties.

It is no wonder, therefore, that Mr. Arndt's health has given way and that under the doctor's orders he has gone away with Mrs. Arndt for a three months' rest.

And now comes the delightful part of the story: As soon as the doctor's verdict was known, it was asked, "What can we do to make his trip possible?" The matter was laid before some of the members of the congregation and the reply was as prompt as it was unexpected. Those who were seen gave immediately and most willingly, others hearing of the movement claimed the right to contribute; and a purse of double the amount originally in mind, was given Mr. Arndt as some expression of the regard of the Parish, while flowers and delicacies arrived at the Rectory in such profusion that the Rector was overwhelmed, which fortunately proved a needed stimulus to encourage him to leave home, so that on February 13th, Mr. and Mrs. Arndt sailed for the sunny land of Bermuda where they will probably spend their entire time and it is hoped the Rector will recover his health rapidly.

Of course the Rector cannot forget the work, and with Lent so near he will naturally be anxious as to the effect of his absence upon the congregation.

The best reply possible to this is for each and every member of the congregation to resolve that they will show their loyalty not only to him but to the Church and Her Master by a consecrated devotion to the service and work of the Church. Let each worker do his or her best and let all aim to be regular and faithful at services. Even those few who were unable to give to the purse can in this way contribute much to the Rector's recovery. The Rev. H. Cresson McHenry has arranged to act as substitute during Mr. Arndt's absence and nothing will cheer our Rector more than encouraging reports mailed to Bermuda.

J. H. R.

Self-Denial

Lent is the season of self-denial. The Christian who studies at all the Holy Sacrifice is moved to use that season especially set apart for such study to copy or have a part in that sacrifice. The natural way to follow Christ, as he walks towards His betrayal and agony, is to share in Sacrifice. As the true mother yearns to give herself in sacrifice for her child, so the soul yearns to show its love for Christ in self-denial for His sake. That spirit gave the Church its saints and martyrs. That spirit yet lives in every true Christian. So we do what we can. We deny ourselves food, parties, theatres, games, things innocent except when carried to the point of intemperance and excess. We make for ourselves a season of calm and dignity into which we put so much of Christ that all the rest of our lives we move along a plane one or many degrees higher than that we have left behind.

Self-denial shows another thing—our power of self-control. How much of a grip have these recreations and pleasures of life gotten upon us? Have cards, dancing, dinners, theatres, taken such hold on us that life seems empty and tiresome without them? Then it is high time to stop, before we reach the point of the Sin of intemperance. Lent is the testing time, the time to strike a balance.

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EDITORIAL

The Rector wishes us to call special attention to the Evening Services during Lent. He has invited a number of visiting clergymen to come to Christ Church on Sunday evenings. All these clergymen are very busy men, engaged in great work in leading Parishes of this city, and it is at great sacrifice that they have accepted the Rector's invitation to preach in Christ Church. The Rector deeply appreciates their kindness, and it seems almost an insult to the intelligence of the members of this Parish for him to suggest to them the propriety of their attending these services, when visiting clergymen are to preach. Aside from the privilege it will afford to hear these able men, a sense of courtesy will, no doubt, impel the members of this Parish to attend these services and thus to assure them an appreciative congregation.

Our Vestry will soon issue a letter addressed to all the members of the Parish, setting forth the financial con-

dition of the Parish and its needs at Easter time to meet all outstanding indebtedness. This letter should be carefully read by every member of the Parish. It is the just pride of this Parish that it is not a Parish of the few, but it is a Parish of the many. The offerings are, as a rule, generous, and they come from all the people. Each one considers, as each one should, that Christ Church Parish is his or her Parish, and that each has a definite responsibility and a duty to perform in the support of the Parish and the extending of its benevolences. The Lenten Season affords an opportunity for self-denials that an offering may be presented on Easter Day, that will represent genuine sacrifice. What a splendid illustration of devotion to Christ and His Church the offering may be if every member of this Parish will begin now to lay aside each day a generous offering to be presented on God's Altar on Easter morning!

If we were asked to name one prayer for daily use by every Christian at his bedside that would touch the conscience, stir the will, and breathe the spirit of Lent, we would name the Confession in the Communion office.

Why? Because it contains these words:

"We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed Against Thy Divine Majesty. Provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us: The burden of them is intolerable."

Use those words honestly day by day; let them deepen in you the sense of the awful sinfulness of sin, until their burden is intolerable, and their remembrance a grief--Then you will be in the attitude to cast them off; and amend your ways and your doings.

The Mother's Meeting

Our last gathering, Tuesday Feb. 6, was most pleasant, and while we sewed (many towels for sale) our needles kept pace with beautiful thoughts prompted by a little story read by Mrs. Morrison. It being Gala Day, (the first Tuesday in the month) we partook of our feast, consisting of cakes, coffee and ice-cream; and, as we were all children of a larger growth we greatly enjoyed our repast. Our friend Miss Collison sang "Voices of the Woods" and other songs, and judging by the encores she received her efforts in our behalf were most greatly appreciated.

We missed our dear friend and Rector and his kind and wise distribution of spiritual food, which meets the needs of many of our hearts; and we felt that we could not dismiss without kneeling for three minutes in silent prayer, asking the blessed Saviour to support him by the "Everlasting Arms" and to give him health, strength and the "Peace which passeth all understanding."

Now, as the Lenten season approaches and we realize the wonderful love of the dear Christ who suffered and died for all mankind, we cannot but feel that the "Still Small Voice" is being heard in many hearts who want to declare themselves on the Lord's side but are still hesitating. Can not we, who have had the courage to ask for Confirmation pray that the various hindrances may be taken from the path of those who have not yet received this beautiful, heavenly blessing?

L. H. D.

Sale

On Monday February 26, there will be a sale of clothing which has been laid aside, not old nor worn, with prices to suit the needs of those who buy. The sale will take place in the Parish House from 3 to 4 o'clock and will include some new felt hats in several colors. We thank all those who have so promptly responded to our request for clothing and shall be very glad to receive donations up to the day of the sale.

Choir Notes

The following choristers won the prizes offered by the choir-master for the best attendance from September 1st, until December 31st—Misses Duling and Lindsay, first; Miss Abrams, second; Miss Strien, third.

Miss Wanda Groeneveld, who succeeded Mrs. Jackson as soprano soloist, has resigned to accept a similar position in the city. Mrs. Thompson, late soloist of a church in Reading, is temporarily filling the position. Miss Ada Woerthle will join the choir as soloist about March 1st.

Miss Jennie Willard, one of the most popular members of the choir, is confined at her home with typhoid fever. Miss Willard by her pleasing manner has endeared all the choristers. The best wishes of her choir friends are with her and they hope for her quick recovery.

Miss Iola Seeds, who joined the choir in November, has gone to South America on a trip. She expects to join the choir on her return about April 1st.

Miss Florence Dreisbach and Miss Violet Terrill are two new members of the choir.

The choir wish to extend their thanks to the ladies of the choir guild for their kindness in providing a lunch on New Year's Eve. A very pleasant hour and a half was spent in the Parish Building before the midnight service, when the members of the choir guild personally served the lunch. Several vestrymen and their wives were present, which made the evening more enjoyable.

A most enjoyable musicale was given by the choir, assisted by several well known musicians, in the Parish Building on January 24th. The amount cleared was about \$50.00, and was given toward the Organ Improvement Fund. The choir have purchased a set of foot and border lights for the platform in the Parish House. Any Society desiring to use them may apply to Mr. Truman Hayhurst who will rent them at a small cost.

A pleasant surprise was given the choir master on Christmas, when he was pre-

sented with a Turkish bath-robe by the members of the choir. The gift was a real surprise, as contributions were received from the members at the regular rehearsals and services, the recipient being in blissful ignorance until "the night before Christmas." The choir-master fully appreciates the evidence of their regard.

On January 28th, the choir sung at a service at Masonic Home on Broad Street. They were engaged by a Musical Bureau, the head of which was looking for a good choir and heard a couple of the Special Musical Services which the Choir have been giving.

Stainer's "Daughter of Jairus" was sung by the choir on February fourth. This service was the last of the Special Musical Services. During the week of March 31st, the choir will sing the regular Holy Week Oratorio. The work to be sung has not been selected, the choir-master having several Oratorio's under consideration. The date of rendition will be announced, together with the name of the Oratorio, in the next issue of the Chimes.

LeR. M. R.

The Rector's Room

A generous friend in the Parish has entirely furnished the Rector's Room in the new Parish House. The gift is a most complete one consisting of a beautiful desk, table, revolving book case, chairs, rug, mat, curtains paper-basket, ink-wells, paper, pen, pencils and evenink. This gift is greatly appreciated by the Rector.

Two other kind friends have since added a beautiful brass electric light standard for the Rector's desk for which the Rector extends his cordial thanks.

An Excellent Definition for a Churchman

If one regards himself as a Churchman, it is because he believes that God established a Church. He considers it a divine institution; as such he believes in it, just as he believes in God, and so declares himself in the creed.

The Churchman, therefore, believing as he does, has a high opinion of the Church and a low opinion of himself; that is to say, he believes that his spiritual welfare is dependent on the Church, on his faithful use of its means of grace, its sacraments, and its heavenly worship. He is loyal and obedient to it; he derives all his inspirations from it. For the Churchman, public worship is not a matter of mere inclination, but one of solemn obligation and a necessity; if for any reason he misses a service he realizes a loss. He believes the wilful neglect of public worship to be an actual sin.

The Churchman believes in the Scriptural requirement, "Let all things be done decently and in order," and therefore he desires the service to be beautiful, ornate and true to its high purpose in that it is offered to God and not to man. The Churchman contributes to the financial support of the Church as an institution, not simply because he happens to like "the preacher." In a word the true Churchman can always be counted on because he has a true conception of the Church, and consequently his work and worship and devotion are not erratic or changeable but constant and according to the Divine method.

The opportunity of Lent is two-fold. First, for the increase of devotion; second, for the strengthening of character. These every man needs and this is the reason why Lent comes as every man's opportunity.

In commenting upon the achievements of Henry Labouchere, late editor of London "Truth," London "Punch" recalls the saying of that clever philosopher, "If you want to know how the universe will get along after you have passed away, stick a knitting needle in a pond, withdraw it and look for the impression it made on the surface." Any-one suffering from enlargement of the hatband may find an effective cure by pasting the sentence in his hat.—Selected

FORM OF BEQUEST

Christ Church has no Endowment. The following form is suggested to all in making their wills.

I hereby give and bequeath to the corporation known as the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of

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for the purpose of its Endowment Fund (or such other purpose as the testator may specify).

.....Testator

.....Witnesses

Note:—Should the bequest contain real estate or personal property other than money, a careful description of the same should be made. Every will must be attested and subscribed in the presence of the testator by at least two credible and disinterested witnesses, and the same must be executed by the testator at least one calendar month before death.

If you are leaving anything to the Church, your will MUST be witnessed by two persons who are NOT MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH. This is very important.

If it is your mind to make any provision for the benefit of the Parish, please ask the Rector for a confidential interview.

What you may say to a priest in confidence can never be divulged to any other person.

Unfit for Service

An English minister employed a native catechist, who found it quite impossible to give a correct account of the money he collected for God's work and in consequence he was regarded as quite unsuited for missionary work, and was dismissed. The only explanation the poor man could make was that all the money he had collected had been spent in God's work, and not upon himself. Several years later a missionary lady was visiting a distant village in the jungle. She tried to make the simple folk understand what manner of person Jesus of Nazareth was. She told them how He was the poor people's friend, how He used to eat with them and come to their

homes to sleep the night, how He used to go about healing wherever there was sickness, how the children used to run after Him in the street and clamber about His knees. Her description seemed to meet with an unusually intelligent response, and as she finished some one exclaimed: "Miss Sahib, we know him well; he has been living here for years!" Amazed, the lady discovered that this old catechist had settled there on his own account. It was he who fetched the old men and women their water and their fuel. When any one was sick, it was he who invariably attended to them. When plague and cholera visited the village, he was the intrepid nurse. In the old man unfit for missionary service the people of that village had seen and recognized Jesus Christ. —Good Words

Baptism and Conversion

In one of his recent mission addresses the Bishop of London gave an apt illustration of Church teaching on the subject of conversion. The distinction between baptism—the New Birth—and the turning of the soul to God in conversion must be carefully and clearly made. "You take a child from the street," he said, "and put the child in a London hospital; he is there 'in a state of salvation,' he is in a state wherein he may be healed; but if the means provided for his restoration to health are not used the child will probably die in the best hospital in the world. Now we are born again in our baptism just as unconsciously as we are born into the world—that is, in our baptism we are taken out of the streets of the world and placed in a great hospital where we may be healed. But we Churchmen never teach that baptism of itself—whatever the child's life is subsequently—will save him. No! baptism places the person in the great hospital—the Church of Jesus Christ—places him, as the Prayer Book says, 'in state of salvation,' but, unless the means of grace provided by God are used, the soul may be lost at last."

"Conversion," the Bishop explained, "is simply turning to God as the sunflower turns to the sun." It is possible for a man to be all his life converted, so that he is unable to fix any definite date of his conversion. In other words his conversion need not be a sudden and violent change. It began in early youth; perhaps he cannot look back to a time when he was not being converted. Complete conversion, or the absolute turning to God, is the work of a life time.

—St. Andrew's Cross.

The Prayer Book

More than any other book devised by man, the Prayer Book is able to minister to our spiritual needs. Make much my brothers, of the Prayer Book in your daily life. Let it play at least some part in your devotional experience. Do not let yourself think that it is only an official guide to public worship. It is of course, but it is much more than that. It is more than a compendium of beautifully worded collects. It is a treasure-house of spiritual aspirations, and spiritual strength. Its music is the music of many saintly lives. It is made to minister to man's every need. Lean upon the Book of Common Prayer, and it will never betray your trust.—Bishop Richardson.

A countless number of the saintliest of God's servants testify that Lent furnished them with the best opportunity for spiritual growth and development. Why not try honestly and earnestly whether it will not help you?

Why not put yourself in sympathy and contact with millions of your fellow Christians by denying yourself in

your appetites and in your pleasures, even harmless ones, to see if you are master or not, and by increased private and public devotions? Get control of yourself in some way, in something, and exclude gaiety and pleasure, and entertainment from your life for the forty days of Lent. Try it for one season, no matter by what name you are known as a Christian, or where you belong as such, or what you are taught as such. Only try faithfully to observe Lent for once, and see if you are not only made stronger and better by it, but also see if it does not give you more spiritual joy and satisfaction than anything you have ever tried, in the way of self-discipline and devotion.

Churchmen, who know the meaning, the purpose, the antiquity of Lent, must always be doubtful of the sincerity of those who profess to desire Christian unity, and yet will not join with us in the effort to strengthen and revive the souls of men. We plead not for our own way, not the way of a man or a sect, but for the universal practice of the undivided Church.

And we would most earnestly urge our own people to be very careful to use Lent aright, for your own soul's sake, and that you may commend to others, by living example, the value of the old way—the way of God. Let Lent mean more than a superficial routine, a time for physical rest from dissipation. Let it be a time for real heart-searching repentance, prayer and service. Make some such rules as these for your governance: I will God helping me

I. Abstain from all public places of amusement, theatres, parties, and weddings, and from novel reading.

II. Regularly and faithfully attend the Lenten services.

III. Fast on certain days, and on all days save the Sundays in Lent, abstain from luxuries.

IV. Devote more time to charitable work, (fasting and alms are the wings of prayer).

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V. Read through with care the Prophets and Gospels during Lent.

VI. Pray at least three times each day.

VII. Receive, if possible, and if duly prepared, the Holy Eucharist on each Lord's Day.

VIII. Use rigorous self-examination, and

IX. Deny myself and give the result to God, His Church, and especially will I save so as to make a worthy Easter Offering—Selected

Take it, O Father, ere my courage fail
And merge it so in Thine own Will that e'en

If in some desperate hour my cries prevail
And thou give back my gift, it may have been

So changed, so purified, so fain have grown,
So one with Thee, so filled with peace divine,

I may not know or feel it as my own,
But gaining back my will, may find it thine.

—St. Andrew's Cross.

My Prayer.

I ask not to be great in any art,
Nor in the world's control to take a part;
I ask not for the gold that may be hid,
Nor do I raise my voice in anxious bid
For great distinction 'mong the throng
of men.

I pray that on my vision now and then
May fall a ray of softer, brighter light
To mix up with the blackness of my
night;

I leave for all who would commanding
powers,

I seek a few refreshing, simple flowers.
A heart to love, a friendly hand to
shake,

Gladness to give and others' loads to
take!

I seek no crown amid the fiercer light,
I only ask to know the clearer sight.

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There are also those in the Congregation who are half hearted in the Christian life, who are making no progress in Christian character, and some who are absorbed with the cares and pleasures of this life. They have acknowledged Christ as their Master, and have made a solemn vow to learn of Him and to do His will, but have adopted other standards and motives of conduct than His commandments. They are in Church at times, but not regularly, and rarely do they come to the Holy Communion. They allow trivial reasons to keep them away and offer excuses which in their hearts they know are lies before God. These are symptoms of a serious condition of their religious life. Are you who reads this one of them?

Then will you not come back with your whole heart to Him Whose you are and Whom you should serve with all your powers? It is the Saviour Who died for you Who calls you. Dear friend, make Holy Week the time for your return. It offers a definite opportunity. It urges you with the appeals of the Redeemer's Cross. I beseech you, turn away from your life of indifference, come home again to a Saviour's love, prepare to receive the Holy Communion, that most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.

Easter Day

"Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept."

1. Cor. xv, 20.

"The Resurrection of our Lord," says Henry Drummond, the scientist and theologian, "is better attested than any fact in history." The skeptic accepts, with little or no proof, other facts in ancient or modern history; yet although the proofs of the Resurrection are overwhelming, he doubts this the most stupendous and far-reaching fact in history. Our Lord's prophecies, the witness of more than five hundred persons who jeopardized their very lives in attestation to this fact, and the permanency of the Church itself, that pillar and ground of the truth, are all assurances of the fact, that on the first

glorious Easter, Christ arose triumphant from the dead. The thoughts that come to us during this blessed Easter-tide are two-fold: the Resurrection of our Lord, and hence, as a necessary sequence, the resurrection of all who are members of His Sacred Body.

The fact of the Resurrection of our Blessed Lord is a pledge that those who are members of His Sacred Body shall rise in glory at the last day. In the Creed we say: "I look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come." "This" says a learned writer "is the crucial point of the Christian's hope. It is the distinguishing tenet of Christianity, as compared with other religions, that it extends its hope and makes it an article of faith." Many religions, so called, have taught in a way, a continuance of existence, but none have given to their votaries so certain a teaching and so definite a hope. The heathen decorated the tombs of their departed with symbols of despair; we place on the grave the Cross, the emblem of our faith, and plant sweet flowers, which, blooming with each returning spring, are symbols of the resurrection of our departed dead.

When and how are we really taught that there shall be a Resurrection? Reasoning from analogy, though it may strengthen and confirm a belief, is of course, not an absolute proof. Yet a thoughtful study of nature, "that unspoken word of the Lord," reveals a resurrection in all her works. What is sleep, but the twin brother of death? Outwardly we die each night, and rise to life again in the morning. The seed, that simile so aptly used by S. Paul, which contains the germ of the plant, must be buried and die in order to bring forth new life. The insignificant worm dies to the light, yet out of its tomb it bursts forth a radiant and winged creature.

"Lo, on the turf, the empty cocoon lay!
But from its gloom, up toward the perfect light,
Had soared on wings with gold and crimson wrought,
The once dull life that trod earth's dusty way."

Again nature wrapped in her snowy shroud, through the long, dreary winter springs into full life under the genial rays of the vernal sun.

"Countless types of resurrection

We may see in every sod;

Germ and grass blade in perfection

Rise in perfect proof of God,

And that life from death shall be evermore a verity."

But we need not depend on nature when we have spoken revelation as our guide. From faint presages which we find here and there in the Old Testament, to the positive declarations of the truth which the New Testament makes, the Resurrection of the Dead is verified to mankind as an indubitable and certain fact. After our Lord's Resurrection this became the burden of the Apostles' preaching. "He that raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus." Again he says, "He that raised up Christ from the dead shall quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you."

Yes, the dead shall rise again, and in the words of a devout writer shortly before her entrance into the unseen world: "We shall look into the same deep eyes and clasp the same warm hands and walk besides the same beloved beings we have known here, our transfigured lives forever young, with the youth of angels." What the endless joy of the risen-life will be none yet may know. Keble says:

"What is the heaven our God bestows?

No prophet yet, no angel knows:

Was never yet created eye

Could see across eternity."

"It doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like him, for we shall see Him as He is."

In deference to the wishes of some of our parishoners, the Rector has con-

tinued the practice, long established in this Parish, of having a Celebration of the Holy Communion on Maundy-Thursdays evening. This evening, on which the Lord's Supper was instituted, appeals to many as an especially appropriate time to draw near to the Table of the Lord and to receive the Holy Communion, and the Rector is always glad to administer the Holy Communion at any time to all who feel the need of it and come worthily prepared. But this Thursday evening Communion should not take the place of the Communion on Easter Day. If this is done and Easter Day is passed by without coming to the Holy Table and there communing with our Lord, the full significance and spirit of this, the greatest Festival of the Christian Year, is lost; and without the Holy Communion Easter Day degenerates into a day of flowers and music and song, a kind of pagan Ostara worship. From the very beginning of Christianity, from the time that the devoted friends of our Lord "very early in the morning, the first day of the week, came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun," until this day, the Apostolic Church throughout the world "having in remembrance His blessed passion and precious death, His MIGHTY RESURRECTION and glorious Ascension," has celebrated the Holy Communion on Easter Day and has expected all faithful followers of our Blessed Lord who are "risen with Christ" to come on this great day to meet, in Holy Communion, Him Who is "the Resurrection and the Life."

It is earnestly hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church will allow himself to remain away from the Holy Communion on Easter Day, unless Providentially hindered, but will so thoroughly prepare himself during the remaining days of Lent that he may come worthily to meet his Risen Saviour, "reckoning himself to be dead indeed unto sin; but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for April.

1. Monday before Easter.
2. Tuesday before Easter.
3. Wednesday before Easter.
4. Maundy Thursday.
5. Good Friday.
6. Easter Eeven.
7. Easter Day.
8. Monday in Easter Week.
9. Tuesday in Easter Week.
14. First Sunday after Easter.
21. Second Sunday after Easter.
25. St. Mark.
28. Third Sunday after Easter.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club..... Friday 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 3rd
Thursday.....7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting.....Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday.....8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society.....Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary.....Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting.....Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men).....3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting.....1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild.....1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Holy Week Services

HOLY COMMUNION
Every day (except Good Friday and Saturday).....7.30 A. M.
MEDITATIVE READING ON SACRED EVENTS OF EACH DAY
Every afternoon (except Good Friday).....4.45 P. M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT
Service and Address.....8.00 P. M.
MAUNDY THURSDAY
Holy Communion.....8.00 P. M.
GOOD FRIDAY
Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora, Address.....10.00 A. M.
THREE HOURS MEDITATION ON THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS 12 M—3 P. M.
Meditation conducted by the Rev. Howard E. Thompson, Woodbury, New Jersey.
EASTER DAY
Holy Communion.....6.30—7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Sermon,
Holy Communion.....11.00 A. M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL EASTER CAROL SERVICE 7.30 P. M.

O LORD, who through ages past hast trained Thy Church, as at this season, in finding out and striving against the secret or open sins which may be displeasing in Thy sight; by the help of the Holy Spirit lay open to me my heart and life, that I may in humble penitence lay them at the foot of the Cross of Christ for cleansing through His most precious blood.—Amen.

New Envelope System

At a recent meeting of the vestry it was decided to put into effect at Easter time, the beginning of the new fiscal year of the Parish, a system of weekly offering known as the "Duplex System." This system has been introduced into a large number of Parishes with most successful results. It consists of an envelope for every Sunday in the year, each envelope having in it two pockets. In one pocket is to be placed the subscriber's weekly offering for the current expenses of the Parish. In the other pocket (in the same envelope) is to be placed the weekly offering for missions. Thus side by side, on each Sunday of the year, the subscriber can give for his own parish expenses and also an offering for the extension of the Kingdom of Christ to those outside the Parish. In every Church where this system has been introduced a double blessing has flowed, an increase of revenue for the home Parish and an increase in the offering for Missions. By this system, the blue envelope for monthly offerings to Missions now contained in each package of envelopes, will be done away with, and there will no longer be special Sundays in the year for Missionary offerings, as heretofore, but every Sunday will be a "Missionary Sunday," as it should be. It is hoped and firmly believed that this new system will be heartily welcomed by all our parishioners. It has been so welcomed wherever it has been introduced. It is a decided step forward in recognition of the fundamental principal of Christianity that our duty is not done when we give to the support of the work in our own Parish alone but our interest and our sympathy and our support should go out to others. The apportionment which the Board of Missions of our Church has asked this Parish to give is \$1200 a year. All Parishes in the Diocese and throughout the land are asked to give proportionately. This is the least that the Board of Missions can get along with from Christ Church if it is to meet the obligations which of course it must meet, that are resting upon it. If this Parish fails in raising its apportionment, some other

Parish will have to make up our share, which, of course, no loyal member of Christ Church will want to have done. It need not be done if every one will give each Sunday something, according as God has blessed him, to the cause of the extension of the Kingdom of Christ throughout the world. There can be no doubt that every Christian and loyal member of Christ Church will cordially and generously respond to this larger opportunity for usefulness and that the results will be a double blessing, a blessing to this Parish and a blessing to the cause of Missions.

The new envelope for all who subscribe through the envelope system will be found placed upon a table at the Tulpehocken Street entrance to the Church on Palm Sunday morning. The names of former subscribers will be written on the packages. All who subscribed last year are urged to renew their subscriptions and, if possible, to increase their pledges this year. If each subscriber were to increase the amount of his or her pledge fifty per cent. the annual deficit of the Parish would be eliminated. That is, if those who gave ten cents a week last year would give fifteen cents this year and those who gave fifty cents last year would give seventy-five cents this year and so on, the Vestry would not be required to issue an appeal at Easter time for a special offering to make up a deficit.

Pledge cards may be found in the racks in the Church vestibules. All attendants at the services are cordially invited to subscribe through the envelope system. Please mark with an X the amount (from five cents upward) you are willing to pledge as a weekly offering to the Lord. A package of envelopes will then be furnished you, one envelope for each Sunday. This pledge is purely voluntary and may be recalled at any time by giving notice. This system accomplishes two results: first, it affords a definite and regular income toward the expenses of the Parish; and secondly, it encourages systematic and conscientious giving on the part of each individual, and is intended to include every member of the Parish.

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EDITORIAL

Special attention of the parishioners of Christ Church and all its attendants is called to the appeal made by the Vestry for a generous offering on Easter Day. The sum of \$8600 is urgently needed at this time to discharge all obligations and to close the fiscal year without indebtedness. This amount can be realized only by a generous and self-sacrificing offering on the part of every member of the Parish.

In one of the city parishes there is an organization known as the Mechanics' Aid Society. The objects of this society are threefold. It brings the men together in meetings and thereby makes them better acquainted; it enables them to have men efficient in their several branches address the men upon subjects in which they are interested and saves the parish a considerable amount of money each year which would otherwise go to pay for numerous small repairs to the parish buildings. (In the parish mentioned over \$200 was saved during 1906.)

Such a society would be of inestimable value to our Parish, as numerous minor repairs are being made from time to time which in this way could be looked after without the necessity of procuring outside labor and incurring the expense attached thereto.

Why cannot our parishioners who follow the different trades organize such a society? The benefits to all would make it a worthy movement.

Each year there has been increased attendance at the services on Good Friday, both at the 10 o'clock service and the Three Hour Meditation. More persons have remained throughout the entire Three Hour Service each year and have found it wonderfully helpful. It is hoped that the attendance this Good Friday will be larger than usual. Persons who wish to withdraw from the Church during this service are asked to do so at the singing of one of the hymns.

Easter Memorial Flowers.

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the Blessed Dead. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions in money to Mrs. William H. Avery as soon as possible. The ladies of the Guild will personally attend to the selection and purchase of the flowers and will see to it that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. By sending contributions in money the Guild will be enabled to make a choicer and more harmonious selection. Those who prefer to contribute blooming plants or flowers (white) are requested to send them to the Parish House on Saturday morning in time for them to be arranged in the Chancel on the same day. All persons are invited to contribute to the Easter Memorial, and any contribution, however small, will be cordially received.

Church Periodical Club.

The appeal of the Church Periodical Club for certain magazines was so well responded to that it is thought wise to enter another list, which we earnestly trust will meet with the same ready response. The periodicals most needed are as follows:

American Magazine, Everybody's Magazine, Good Housekeeping, Success, Outlook, Churchman, Colliers, Scribner's, Hampton, Atlantic Monthly, Electrical World, S. S. Magazine.

If you have any other magazines you are willing to pass along let us plead with you to seek a name and address from us and mail your magazine, when you have read it, to some person who needs it.

In Alaska a man was found carrying a dirty and ragged magazine, which had passed through many hands and had been read in every hospital in Alaska and he was then carrying it to more sick people. He refused to allow any well person to read it, saying the sick needed it most. Think what great comfort a box of magazines, now probably in the road in your store room or cellar, would be to these poor sick people in some far off hospital.

Names and addresses may be had from Mrs. Topliff Johnson, 430 Locust Ave., Germantown. Her telephone is Germantown, 3241.

Daily Prayers for Lent.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

—Amen.

O BLESSED SPIRIT of truth, Thou who searchest the heart and triest the inmost thoughts, bring, I pray Thee, my sins to my remembrance and grant me light to see and find them out. Strengthen me also with courage to confess them truly, hiding nothing, excusing nothing, keeping nothing in my heart, that I may of Thy mercy ob-

tain pardon and absolution, and thus healed may arise and sin no more through the merits and for the sake of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour.

—Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; I acknowledge and bewail my manifold sins and wickedness, Which I from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought word and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against me. I do earnestly repent, And am heartily sorry for these my misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto me; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon me, Have mercy upon me, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive me all that is past; And grant that that I may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

—Amen.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, give me grace to see, fix my eyes during this season on Thy most pure and holy life, that I may learn my own impurity and sin and seek in all humility to be conformed to Thy will and to be like unto Thee, who with the Father and the Holy Ghost we adore as One God, world without end.

—Amen.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, hear my prayers and grant my petitions in this time of grace and penitence. Enable me to perform my religious duties with exactitude and reverence, and grant that this fast, consecrated by the example and precepts of Thy adorable Son, may be pleasing in Thy sight and strengthen me with His might, that I may serve Thee more faithfully in time to come and finally bring me to Thy eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

—Amen.

For Missions.

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh Grant that all men every-

where may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

O ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants, and grant unto our parish all things that are needed for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. —Amen.

A Scrap of Church History.

"The Church of England stands the one Church which has never separated from any Church or person."

We find this remarkable saying in the writings of the late Rt. Rev. George Ridding, Bishop of Southwell, in England; remarkable not only by its clear, strong utterance but for its perfect truthfulness. And in thinking of it we must remember that the Church of England and the Protestant Episcopal Church in this country are, as declared by our own civil laws, "the same Church." The Church in this country is the "Old Church in a new Land." And the honor claimed for that Church in England belongs as much to the Church in this land. "It is the one Church which has never separated from any other."

It did not separate from the Presbyterians, or from the Methodists, or from the Baptists, or from the Quakers. It stood firm and steadfast on the foundation and principles it had held from the days of the first Apostles; and every one of those other bodies went out from it, and separated themselves from it. They were not thrust out, they went. It was their voluntary act.

And it is equally true that the Church of England never separated from the Church of Rome. The Church of Rome withdrew from the Church of England and separated itself from it. Up to the reign of Queen Elizabeth and for some years during her reign, there was but one Church in England; and, although they differed somewhat in their teaching, those who held fast to Roman doctrine and those who accepted the reformed views, all attended the same Church and worshipped together. And Lord Chief Justice Cook asserts that then the Pope offered to the Queen that he would consent to and permit the English Prayer Book if she would only acknowledge his supremacy. This she declined to do. And the Pope thereupon issued his command that his adherents in England should withdraw from communion with the Church of England and form a separate organization.

It is well that these historical facts should be known. It has been common to charge the Church of England and its daughter in this country with being uncharitable and excluding others.

But it never excluded any of them, they went out voluntarily. She stands where she has always stood. Her doors stand open, and her welcome is warm and ready for any one who wishes to enter.—Bishop Paret.

Why Laymen Have Been Idle.

A strong, capable man, who had been a member of a church for twenty-two years, we heard to say some time ago that during more than two decades of church life the supreme service he had been called to render, in addition to living right, was to usher and take up the offering. However, the imperative issue of the Laymen's undertaking has clutched his heart, and he has been giving days and weeks to superb aggressive personal endeavor, and is now proposing to invest his new-found talents in enlisting non-Christian men to become affiliated with the Church.

—Men and Missions.

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To Critics of the Church

More than three-fourths of all the social workers in America at this moment are members of Christian Churches. The ethical societies, the atheistic Socialists, the lapsed Church members, are not one-fourth of the whole, by the latest statistical account. Take away the men and women whom the Church has set aflame with her ideals of brotherhood and sacrifice, and every charitable work in America would be crippled to-morrow. In any small town where Church affiliations are well known there may be a score of "undenominational" charitable boards, but almost every member on each board is also a prominent church member. The van of the Church is pushing ahead eagerly toward industrial arbitration, municipal reform, temperance legislation, improved housing for the poor, the protection of women and children industrially, old age pensions and every other reform that modern America is considering. It is an undenominational van, shoulder to shoulder, representing no one church, appealing to no ecclesiastical authority. That is why its presence is taken for granted by the public and forgotten by the critic. But it spoils his argument the moment one comes to think about it.—The Outlook.

The Church of To-Day

The strong Church of today is planned upon four vital principles; (1) praying; (2) witnessing; (3) giving; (4) praising.

A praying Church is the natural re-

sult of the lives of men who are in close communion with God. It testifies to the fact that men know the needs of their fellow-men and are confident that only God can supply these needs. In the demonstrated sufficiency of prayer, by the measured progress of the church throughout the centuries, we know that a Church pleading before God receives the answer in priceless souls recovered.

A witnessing Church embodies the lives of those who appreciate the call to the militant service of Jesus Christ. It is in His name that the Church conquers. The hosts of the Church, with the sign of the Cross and the name of the King can possess all who belong unto Him. A Church that names not His name is a defeated Church.

A giving Church is the consummation of that sort of consecration that is genuine. The average Church, with its bills in arrears, its place of worship ill kept, the Rector insufficiently and tardily paid, is but the barrier to blessings that God would bestow. A giving Church is an honest Church. Only an honest Church can have influence with the world.

A praising Church has the show of gratefulness within it that pleases God. The studied effort of much of ritualism and formal worship leaves out the naturalness of thankful hearts.

Reader, is this the picture of your Church's need? Undertake in this very day to win your Church to this high conception of completeness in doing His will. Your own lives so lived will be your greatest influence to accomplish it.—The Parish Leaflet.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

From time to time persons in the con-
gregation ask the Clergy questions in
regard to the services of the Church,
the Prayer Book, and other matters of
importance. If more persons would
ask questions, not for the sake of dis-
putation, but for information, we are
sure that the Church and its services
would be more intelligently understood
and appreciated. The Clergy, there-
fore, cordially invite persons in the con-
gregation to ask them questions, either
personally or in writing, on any sub-
ject relating to the Church, its services
or doctrines, and they will cheerfully
endeavor to answer these questions to
the best of their ability. Questions
thus asked, which seem to be of gen-
eral interest, will be answered in "The
Chimes," without, of course, giving
names.

The following questions, recently
asked, may be of interest to our read-
ers:

1. "When is the proper time for the
congregation to rise during the Offer-
tory?"

If there be no Offertory Anthem the
congregation should rise immediately
when the "Deacons, Church Wardens,
or other fit persons appointed for that
purpose," deliver the basins to the min-
ister or server at the chancel steps.

2. "Why is the 'Amen' in the Pray-
er Book sometimes printed in italics
and sometimes not?"

A principle of liturgics is that when
the "Amen" is printed in the same type
as the preceding prayer, it is to be said
by the person or persons by whom the
prayer is said. For example, at the end
of the prayer of "General Confession"
in the morning and evening service, the
"Amen" is printed in the same type as
the prayer, and therefore is to be said by
all who have said the prayer (i. e.) by
congregation and minister. In the
"Declaration of Absolution," which
follows, the "Amen" is printed in italics
and, therefore, is to be said or sung by
the people. The principle holds good
throughout the Prayer Book.

3. "When a person becomes a mem-
ber of the Episcopal Church is it nec-
essary for him to believe in the Apostolic
Succession?"

No, not at all necessary. He can
have any opinion he pleases on this and
other similar questions, and will still be
welcomed into the Church, and may be
a faithful member of the same. When
a foreigner asks to become a naturaliz-
ed American citizen he is not question-
ed whether he believes Theodore
Roosevelt to be a successor of George
Washington or not. He may if he
chooses, believe that the American Re-
public began at the time of the Civil
War, and that Abraham Lincoln was
the founder of this Republic. As far
as his eligibility to citizenship in this
great Republic is concerned, it does not

matter one whit what he believes in the Presidential succession, on the tariff question, on the gold or silver standard of money. The all important question is does he renounce his allegiance to any alien power, and is he willing to become subject to the laws of the Government of the United States of America? If he desires to continue in his "opinion" that Lincoln, not Washington, was the "Father of his Country," (as some desire to continue in the opinion that Henry VIII was the founder of the Episcopal Church,) or that the Civil War was the beginning of the Republic, and not a great contest for freedom (as some desire to continue in the opinion that the Episcopal Church began at the time of the Reformation, and was not a triumph over the thralldom of superstitions and Papal bondage,) if any one desires to continue in these "opinions" his stupidity may be pitied, but his sincerity and his honesty and his loyalty may be unquestioned and unquestionable.

Whatever "opinions" may be entertained, facts, however, remain the same, and refuse to be changed. Pope Urban codemned Galileo for teaching that the earth moved around the sun, but that in no wise affected the movement of the earth and the sun. "It is evident unto all men, diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient authors," says our Prayer Book, in the Preface to the office of 'Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons,' that from the Apostles' time there have been three Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church, Bishops, Priests and Deacons. * * * And, therefore, to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed in the Church, no man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest or Deacon in this Church, or suffered to execute any of the said Functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the Form hereafter following, or hath had Episcopal Consecration or Ordination."

That the English Church and her daughter, the Episcopal Church in America, possess the Historic Episco-

palian in unbroken continuity from the time of the Apostles to the present day is as plain and uncontrovertible as any well established fact in history; as plain and as uncontrovertible as that William the Norman conquered England, or that the forces of Washington defeated the armies of George III, or that, at the time of our Civil War, the American Republic was not newly founded but purged, purified of slavery, and Lincoln and Johnson and Grant continued the historic successors of Washington and Adams and Jefferson.

A person may accept or reject these facts, and have his own private "opinions" just as he pleases, but of course, his "opinions" in no wise affect the truth. Notwithstanding his "opinions," the earth does move around the sun, William the Norman did conquer England, Washington did defeat King George III, the American Republic, purified, as by fire, from human slavery, does continue to be the Government of Washington and Adams and Jefferson, and the Historic Episcopate has come down to the Episcopal Church in America, through the Anglican Communion, in unbroken continuity from the times of the Apostles. These are facts which cannot be gained. But no one need believe them unless he wishes to do so.

No, it is not necessary for anyone to believe in the Apostolic Succession to be a member of the Episcopal Church. But the more one reads and studies the history of the Church, the more one will become convinced in his own mind that the claims of our Church to Apostolic origin and continuity rest, not upon opinions, but upon historic facts, positive, definite and rational. It is not the Church but one's own intelligence that will, therefore, demand acceptance of the Church's claims.

Christianity wants nothing so much in the world as sunny people, and the old are hungrier for love than for bread. The oil of joy is very cheap and if you can help the poor with a garment of praise, it will be better for them than blankets.—Henry Drummond.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for May.

May 1—SS. Philip and James.
May 5—Fourth Sunday after Easter.
May 12—Fifth Sunday after Easter.
May 13—Rogation Day.
May 14—Rogation Day.
May 15—Rogation Day.
May 16—Ascension Day.
May 19—Sunday after Ascension.
May 26—Whitsunday.
May 29—Ember Day.
May 31—Ember Day.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boy's Club Friday 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 3rd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2d and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Jr. Order, Brotherhood St. Andrew,
1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays, 7.30 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club),
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Election of Vestrymen

Germantown, April 8, 1912.

We, the undersigned, duly appointed to act as Judges of an election held this day for twelve vestrymen of the Corporation known as "The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania," hereby certify that such an election was held this day, between the hours of five and six o'clock, P. M., according to notice duly given; that we received and counted all the votes at said election duly offered and that the following named persons were duly elected:

Charles W. Schwartz
James H. Ritter
Sheldon Potter
Wm. R. Pugh
Wm. M. Johnson, M. D.
Francis B. Falkner
J. M. Woodroffe
O. N. Middleton
Henry R. Baremore
Richard H. Morris
Charles Heyer
George T. Morgan
(Signed)
John M. Canfield
Stanley V. Wilcox
Alex. R. Cheston
Judges of Election

The men and women that are lifting the world upward and onward are those who encourage more than criticize.—Elizabeth Harrison.

Report of the Accounting Warden from April 15, 1911 to April 8, 1912.

Dr.	
Balance on hand April 15, 1911 ..	\$ 327.49
Envelope Offering	2761.41
Regulate Plate Offerings	637.45
Pew Rents (collected)	2617.00
Pew Rents (due and collectable), ..	80.00
Special Offerings	5838.52
	\$12261.87

Cr.	
Salaries	\$5621.70
Supplies and Sundries	599.72
Repairs	419.62
Taxes, Water Rent and Insurance, ..	186.10
Lighting	113.97
Laundry	21.21
Rector's incidental expenses	137.50
Choir Guild	18.75
Germantown Convocation	204.00
Foreign and Domestic Missions ..	261.18
Sustentation Fund	42.04
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund	199.21
Children's Country Week	57.87
Sunday School	90.00
Parish House Fund	65.00
Iron Fence (paid for by special offer- ing from Mrs. Jeffries)	475.00
Episcopal Hospital	90.05
Loans repaid and interest	2290.00
Balance on hand	\$1273.95
Pew Rents due and collectable, 80.00	1353.95
	\$12261.87

Accounts Due and Payable	
Episcopal and Con. Fund	\$184.60
Monthly Missions	107.60
Domestic Missions	61.94
Diocesan Mission	4.35
Sunday School	90.00
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund ..	188.70
Loans	500.00
Sundry bills for coal, repairs, supplies, etc.	254.39
	\$1391.58

(Signed) WM. R. PUGH
Accounting Warden.

Sunday School.

Notwithstanding the very unfavorable weather Easter afternoon and evening, the attendance at the Sunday School service was most encouraging and seems to indicate a continuance of that much desired interest in our School and its work.

The service was wholesome and the hearty participation by all present is accepted as an expression of approval and encouragement.

Certainly we all regretted the enforced absence of our good Rector, Mr. Arndt, and our Superintendent, Mr. Ritter. Easter greeting were read from both and by unanimous standing vote of both School and Congregation the acting Superintendent was instructed to convey return Easter Greetings and Remembrances and to express the gratification of all present at the promise of recovered strength and speedy return.

The address by Mr. McHenry was very happy and interesting and was most favorably received by the young folks.

The usual awards and promotions were announced, this portion of the Service possessing peculiar interest to the recipients and their immediate friends.

In spite of the many demands from various sources the returns from the Lenten Mite Boxes will be materially in excess of last years offering.

O. N. M.

Mothers' Meeting.

Just a few words about one of our Church activities. Our regular Tuesday meetings from three until five o'clock in the Parish House are progressing favorably, and we number—or rather our average attendance is fifteen. Fingers, scissors, needles and tongues vie each with the other as to social industry. The merry laugh is often heard in the other room where the Committee are preparing the "Afternoon Tea" which is served at four o'clock.

Some of our Lenten work resulted in some wee garments fashioned for the Rev. Mr. McHenry's little waifs, for which he has so many appeals in his great work in the City Mission. When he does come in and speak to us, which is but seldom because of the various and numerous demands upon his time, we are cheered and encouraged to greater effort by his example, the embodiment of Christ's command, "Go work in my Vineyard."

Now when the glad Easter is but a recent memory, our sewing has cen-

tered upon the construction of various colored rugs, some bright, and some delicate and dainty, such as two orders we have just finished—one of light blue with suitable border and knotted fringe ends; the other tri-colored shades of lavender with an harmonious blending of green as a border and a thread of pale yellow (which reminds one of the delicate plumage of our little song-bird, the Canary) each of them ordered to match rooms done in these respective colors.

We also are carrying a good supply of tea towels, dish towels and roller towels, dusters and broom covers which we hope to sell at moderate prices, so that our stock may lessen and our bank account may increase before our closing meeting in May.

L. H. D.

Sale of Clothing

We frequently have a sale of clothing, laid aside and donated by interested friends, the proceeds going towards our Parish House Fund. One purchaser, a sweet-faced industrious little woman carried away to her home an immense bundle of pretty garments. She has a little daughter who has been ill in bed for thirteen months and the faithful mother has worked hard and had much sorrow. As she bade us good bye she thanked us and said "This sale is a blessing to poor people, everything is so nice and so reasonable."

We, Mrs. Morrison and myself, want to express our grateful thanks and appreciation to the kind donors of these saleable garments, shoes and hats; for so many send such nice things with no name attached. We shall be very glad to receive anything that has been laid aside, especially summer clothing.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

Our next sale will be Saturday, May 4th, from 3 until 5 o'clock in the Parish House.

L. H. D.

Plain Words About Prayer.

To the end that we make more real to ourselves the fact of God's continual

presence, so that we are conscious of Him as a guiding, strengthening and restraining Power, labor and constant practice are required.

It will never do to fancy that God will somehow reveal His Presence to us, with only a mild interest in the matter on our part. Nor is it safe to assume that the means of grace act automatically, and that all we have to do is to make use of them more or less perfunctorily in order to attain full communion with God. On the contrary, although nothing is more eagerly desired by God than that we should become conscious of His Presence, the barriers formed by this mortal life and by our material surroundings—to say nothing of sin—are so formidable, that nothing short of the very keenest desire and the most constant effort on our part can break them down and enable us to see God. The Kingdom of Heaven must be "taken by force." We must desire God as the Psalmist desired Him—as the exhausted deer driven by hounds pants for brooks of water—as, in the desert, the weary traveller longs for shade and water. "My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God; when shall I come and appear before God?"

Do you hear in such words the echo of your own longing? Could you truthfully say that your desire to break down all the barriers of sin and sloth and love of ease is so great that you look forward eagerly to your daily times of prayer, to the coming of Sunday with its hours of worship, to your meeting with your Lord at His Altar in the quiet of the early morning, knowing that by these means your desire will surely be attained? Or is it not rather true that to "say your prayers" is merely a duty to be performed more or less hastily and thoughtlessly; that the opportunities which Sunday brings are really a burden to you; that the Holy Communion itself offers no attractions as compared with an hour's lying in bed and the avoidance of a cold walk to Church? Oh, the pity of it, the self-deception, the irreparable loss! Not by any such luke-warm effort will the desire for God even be aroused in you, much less be made effective.

—Selected

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EDITORIAL

Easter Offering.

It is to be regretted that the Easter offering has fallen short of the needs of Christ Church Parish to meet its outstanding indebtedness, and is much less than the usual amount contributed in the past. It is to be hoped that those who have not yet given their offering will do so at once in order that all outstanding bills may be paid and that we may start the new Church year free of debt.

It was confidently expected that, as in the past, enough funds would be raised to liquidate our indebtedness. It was, also, hoped that we might have a surplus to be applied to paying the indebtedness against the new Parish House, which is only partly paid for.

It is well to state, in this connection, that Christ Church has some 500 communicants, while there are but 181 subscribers to the envelope system. Surely we ought to do better than this. Many are giving liberally while others are not doing their share. One hundred more subscribers at only 10 cents

per week would increase the income \$500 a year. Two hundred more subscribers at the same rate would give us an increase of \$1000 per year.

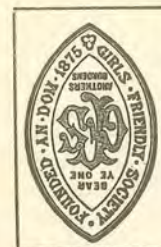
Our annual deficit at Easter is about \$1200 to \$1300. Therefore, a vigorous effort should be made to secure new subscribers to the envelope system. This can be done if we all do our share. Let us then make every effort at once to this end, and give our Rector on his return the pleasure of knowing that the number of subscribers has been doubled. Surely every member of the church can give something, no matter how small.

One of the deeply interesting facts about the revolutionary leaders in China is that Sun Yat Sen, the President of the Republic, is a Christian. He recently said to an interviewer, as reported in *East and West*: "Our greatest hope is to make the Bible and education, as we have come to know them by residence in America and Europe, the means of conveying to our unhappy fellow countrymen what blessings may lie in the way of just laws, and what relief from their sufferings may be found through civilization."

The commander of the revolutionary armies and Wu Ting Fang are said to be baptized Christians. Wang, one of the younger leaders, was formerly student leader in the Japanese Young Men's Christian Association, and is a graduate of an American college.

There is a story told of a workman of the great chemist Faraday: One day he knocked into a jar of acid a silver cup. It disappeared—was eaten up by the acid, and couldn't be found. The question came up whether it could ever be found. One said he could find it; another said it was held in solution, and there was no possibility of finding it. The great chemist came in and put some chemical into the jar, and in a moment every particle of silver was precipitated to the bottom. He lifted it out a shapeless mass, sent it to the silversmith, and the cup was restored. If Faraday could precipitate that silver and recover his cup, I believe God can restore my sleeping and scattered dust.—Anon.

Girls' Friendly Society.



Lent has been a very busy time for the members of this society and, as always, labor has its reward for we now have a number of little garments ready to send to the City Mission.

Miss Clarkson, who is still abroad, has sent us a picture of the Annunciation for our room in the Parish House.

We are contemplating a very interesting social evening on the 30th of April. Every member should make an effort to come.

In the near future we hope to complete some arrangements we have under way for helping the Sunday School to raise money to meet its pledge toward the Parish House Fund. We shall have more to say of this in a later number. O. G. K.

Christ Church Club.



A new organization for the men and boys of the Parish has been recently started under the above name. The name was heretofore held by an organization

of the younger men which for many years was a very active part of our Guild. However, of late years the old Club has been practically inactive and its members were willing that their name should be used by the new Club.

The addition to our Parish House and the contemplated building of Tennis Courts and other improvements to our grounds have made it desirable that some society be organized to supervise the use of these new appliances. Hence the new Christ Church Club. It is the aim of the Club to systematically equip and maintain both the indoor and outdoor game accommodations and all who intend to use them are expected to become members of the Club. Membership in the Club is limited to male members of the Parish

over 12 years of age. The term "members of the Parish" is meant to include those who are either members of the Church or Sunday School. A Ladies' Auxiliary has been organized to make provision for the gentler sex and all women and girls who desire to use the game appliances are expected to join this Auxiliary. It is not the desire of those in charge to appear to be endeavoring to force any one to join these organizations, but we feel sure that any one who will but think a moment of the expense and work of equipment and maintenance of our athletic plant will be very willing to pay their share of the expense and to do some of the work.

It is hoped to shortly build two Tennis Courts and a Croquet Court in the lot above the Parish House and many other things are needed to adequately equip both the building and the grounds.

Membership in the Club is divided into two classes—the Juniors being boys up to 16 years of age, whose dues are ten cents per month; and the Seniors or older boys and men whose dues are twenty-five cents per month. An initiation fee of twenty-five cents is charged to any one joining either class.

The meetings will be held in the Parish House on the second Wednesday evening of each month at eight o'clock. It is expected that these meetings will be made both interesting and instructive in character and that those who may not be interested in athletics will derive some benefits from other activities of the club.

The officers of the Club as recently elected are as follows: President, John F. Davidson; Vice President, Edward Keenan; Secretary, Charles H. Jackson, and Treasurer, C. Lamar Hayhurst. The executive committee consist of the above four officers and Richard H. Morris, John Henderson, William Barstow, William S. Owens, Jr. and John Gallagher, Jr.

"The Kind That Evens Up."

One has so frequently to lament the attitude taken by the daily press upon religious, and sometimes even upon moral issues, that it is a satisfaction to quote with commendation an article appearing in the editorial column of the New York "Evening Mail."

Nor does it comfort one concerning the newspaper man alone. The story which he tells shows also an attitude on the part of the average man in the Pullman car which is, perhaps, more common than some suppose. Respect for religion and its exponents is neither dead nor dying among the men of Amercia. They desire to think well of the Church and the ministry. They are always ready to give prompt approval and applause to self-sacrificing work done in the Master's name.

The personalities in the story which follows will doubtless be clear to our readers. It is probably superfluous to say that the bishop who is described is our own Bishop Rowe.

A Pullman Car Story

A dozen men in the smoking compartment of a Pullman car were discussing the shocking downfall of a Boston minister. The tide ran all one way. Most of them were young—evidently business men, not idlers. For a time the injury done by one recreant minister seemed a crusher. His crime was made to discredit all preachers of righteousness. To listen was to feel the foundations of good citizenship crack and crumble.

Suddenly a quiet man in the corner removed his cigar, laid down the morning paper which he had been reading, and put his finger on the modestly printed news item. "Hear this," he said. "It is in the same daily news. A hardy bishop of Alaska reports that he has covered thousands of miles on snowshoes, with only an Indian guide. Mercury 70 degrees below zero often—generally 50 degrees below. This clergyman is physician to the sick Indians, he is dentist, he is adviser; he marries them, and buries their dead. He begins and ends all with the teachings of the Christian religion. Often he walks hundreds of miles on one trip.

Often on his sledges he takes provisions to the starving solitary miner's hut."

"That's the kind that evens up!" broke in one young man. Every man echoed the statement. In a moment the whole sentiment, that was slumping in social ruin, was changed. Men smiled as if in real relief,

Perhaps the worthy Bishop, now in New York, will be comforted to know that this heroic story, on the same page of the day's history with noisome treason to all virtue, is like the "salt of the earth." It cures putrescence. He had no idea, no forecast, that the noble and sweet music of his Christian life was to be sounded in this great city on this precise day. But something always happens to prove that the virtue of mankind increases. There are countless martyrs now, as of old.

There is no man living who has no day star—none who has not, somewhere, sometime, seen the face of a human being that was so illuminated by goodness that it is an infallible proof of all things that are good and true.

—Spirit of Missions.

Family Prayer.

Few things, perhaps nothing, is so lacking in our religious life today as Family Prayer. It may be because the life of most of us is spent in such a hurry and bustle, there is so much nervous activity. But that really only makes the need for gathering the members of the family together for daily devotions all the more urgent. The time occupied may not be long, but the practice of taking all our needs in prayer to God is most beneficent. Probably the forms provided in the Prayer Book are too long for the daily use of most of us; but they are very comprehensive and valuable as a guide to the right method of Prayer.

These prayers were inserted in 1789—adapted from some English forms drawn up by Gibson (Bishop of London from 1723-1748). They are forms of great comprehensiveness and of some beauty—most valuable both for use as they stand, and as a guide to right method of prayer.

An Easter Poem

The verses refer to the finding of a little seed by Lord Lindsay in the hand of an Egyptian mummy, where it had been deposited twenty centuries before. The seed was planted and brought forth flower after its kind.

Two thousand years ago, a flower
Bloomed lightly in a far-off land;
Two thousand years ago, its seed
Was placed within a dead man's hand.

Before the Saviour came to earth,
That man had lived and loved and died;
And even in that far-off time,
The flower had spread its perfume wide.

Suns rose and set, years came and went,
The dead hand kept its treasure well;
Nations were born and turned to dust,
While life was hidden in that shell.

The shrivelled hand is robbed at last,
The seed is buried in the earth;
When, lo! the life long hidden there
Into a glorious flower burst forth.

Just such a plant as that which grew
From such a seed when buried low;
Just such a flower in Egypt bloomed,
And died, 2000 years ago.

And will not he who watched the seed
And kept the life within the shell,
When those He loves are laid to rest,
Watch o'er their buried dust as well?

And will not He, from 'neath the sod
Cause something glorious to arise?
Aye! though it sleeps 2000 years,
Yet all that buried dust shall rise.

Just such a face as greets you now,
Just such a form as here we bear,
Only more glorious far, will rise
To meet the Saviour in the air.

Then will I lay me down in peace
When called to leave this vale of tears—
For "In my flesh shall I see God,"
E'en though I sleep 2000 years.
St. Matthew's "Messenger."

The Morning Prayer passes from thanksgiving for God's protection through the night to a vow of self-dedication, and to prayer for the gift of the Holy Spirit to enable us to fulfill it, and ends with particular prayer for the graces needed in the coming day—temperance, patience, justice, peaceableness, charity—and for God's guidance and protection in its various works. The Evening Prayer is (a) confession of sin (with special reference to the day past), (b) prayer for grace to amend, to purge our hearts from all malice, and not to "let the sun go down upon our wrath," (c) intercession for all estates of men, (d) thanksgiving for all God's blessings, temporal and spiritual, and (e) commendation of ourselves to God for the night.

—Selected

The Bible.

This book contains:—the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy.

It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's character.

Here, Heaven is opened to us, and the gates of Hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet.

Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure. It is given you in life, will be opened at the Judgment, and be remembered for ever. It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.

—Selected

"A Member of the Episcopal Church"

"O, yes I am a member of the Episcopal Church," replied a bright woman upon whom the clergyman had called to see why she was not taking an active part in the work of the parish. "Yes, I was confirmed in (—) Church. My family were old Episcopalians."

"Well, are you willing to help us in the work of the parish?"

"Yes, I should like to, but the truth of the matter is, I did so much Church work in the last parish that I was in, that I simply can't force myself to get into the harness again."

"But I thought you said that you are a member of the Episcopal Church?"

"Well, so I am," replied the lady, with a controversial air. "I told you I was brought up an Episcopalian."

"Yes," replied the clergyman who had a number of similar visits during the week upon "members" (?) of the Episcopal Church, "will you please tell me what you mean by the word 'member'?"

"Why, of course, the word 'member' means any particular part of the body."

"Exactly," replied the curate, "now my arm is a member of the body, but if my arm were paralyzed, what would you say of its membership?"

"I would say it was a dead 'member,'" laughingly replied the woman, for she was clever.

"And the fact that it had been a good strong working arm in years gone by would not prevent it from being a dead member now," continued the clergyman pressing the point home. "And its membership now, instead of being helpful to the body, would be a positive hindrance."

"I guess that's right," replied the woman.

"The truth is," said the clergyman "the Episcopal Church is so full of members that either can't or won't work, that the body is pretty nearly paralyzed sometimes."

"Well, said the woman, "I guess I am a dead member. You may call on me for anything I can do to assist you." —Parish Messenger.

St. Mark's Day.

Briefest of the evangelical narratives is the Gospel according to St. Mark, and a superficial reader of Holy Scripture might deem it critical to say that it does not, like Matthew's work, give us the Sermon on the Mount; that it does not, like St. Luke, resound with melody and gleam with parable; that it does not, like St. John, contain long discourses. But more than any other book of the New Testament it throbs with condensed narrative—the style is warm, even passionate; St. Mark's account of an event sounds like the testimony of an eyewitness or of a man who had listened to an eyewitness.

From the days of the early fathers the general belief of the Church has been that St. Mark wrote under the influence of St. Peter. We can easily imagine a young man catching the fire of St. Peter's zeal. Then, too, the ancient belief was that St. Mark was the young man who was seized and whose covering was torn from him—hence he had personal knowledge of some of the events preceding the Crucifixion. If the Petrine influence be accepted, and it is a very old and very strong tradition, we have a beautiful picture of St. Peter's humility, for St. Mark gives the fullest account of the threefold denial.

In our own time Luckock has written a beautiful book entitled "Footprints of the Son of Man as Traced by St. Mark." There are important facts in the life of the second Evangelist which this article has designedly omitted, hoping that the reader will for himself find out how the weakness of the earthborn was strengthened by grace from on high.

—Selected

"Day and Night I look forward with quiet certainty of hope, believing that all this tangled web will resolve itself into golden threads of twined harmonious life, guiding both us, and those we love together through this life to that resurrection when we shall at last know the reality and fullness of life and love. Even so come Lord Jesus."

—C. Kingsley.

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We should so live and labor in our time that what came to us as seed may go to the next generation as blossom, and what came to us as blossom may go to them as fruit.—Beecher.

If the Bible is the source of all true happiness, no wonder so many people are unhappy, for they know so little of the Bible. All purity, peace, power, love, truth and virtue, the material which constitutes a noble life, is from the Bible.—E. J. Berkey.

Is death the last sleep? No; it is the last and final awakening.—Walter Scott.

God always has an angel of help for those who are willing to do their duty.—Cuyler.

"Errands of love are easy to run, Saying sweet words is the dearest of fun.

Let's see, you and I, just for to-day, How many kind things we can do and say."

A happy man or woman is a better thing to find than a five-pound note. He or she is a radiating focus of good will, and their entrance into a room is

asthough another candle had been lighted. We need not care whether they could prove the fortyseventh proposition, they do a better thing than that; they practically demonstrate the great theorem of the livableness of life.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

Do It To-Day.

There is opportunity to do good to some one to-day. There is a battle going on to-day in which we shall be victors or vanquished. To-day the hand of God is open to pour out blessings on each of us. To-day the Kingdom of God will make some progress within each of us if we are true to ourselves and our Lord. To-day we shall take a long step toward our eternal home. To-day something shall be built into our character; shall it be good or bad. We may make some decision to-day which will determine our destiny. To-day the voice of the Lord is sounding within us. Shall we hear, or shall we forbear? "To-day if ye will hear His voice harden not your hearts."—Christian Advocate.

Nothing is small in God's sight. The tiny flower which your eye can scarcely see may be just as perfect as the most showy plants in the garden. The smallest diamond may be as brilliant as the Kohinoor, or the largest gems that flash in the crowns of kings. So the least act may be just as beautiful as pure, as honorable, as the greatest deeds that shine in dazzling splendor before men.—Selected.

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CLERGY:

Rector. REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY {
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " } AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS

It was the Rector's great pleasure and privilege to return to his duties in Christ Church on May 6th, after a leave of absence of almost three months. Never before in all his ministry has he been kept so long out of his pulpit by sickness of any kind. While he has been greatly benefited by the change of climate he has not, as yet, quite regained his full strength. He is assured, however, that his strength will return gradually and that, after his summer's rest, he will be in better health and strength than he has been for many years.

The Rector wishes to express his high appreciation of the services of the Rev. Mr. McHenry during the Rector's absence. Mr. McHenry is an unusually good preacher and his sermons have the ring in them of sincerity and truth.

It was with profound sorrow that the Rector learned, on his return to the Parish, of the great loss that has come to Christ Church in the death of our Vestryman and Rector's Warden, Mr. James H. Ritter. Christ Church never had a more conscientious, faithful vestryman, and no Rector ever had a more loyal, sympathetic and consecrated Warden. He was interested in every phase of Church life. As a business man he gave a great deal of his thought and

time to the temporalities of the Parish and was never absent from a Vestry meeting, unless Providentially hindered. He was a faithful teacher in the Sunday School for over thirty years and had a knowledge of the Bible that was both scholarly and spiritual. At the time of his death he was the Superintendent of Christ Church Sunday School and was beloved and respected by every teacher and scholar. He was a generous contributor to many charities and was not only a "willing giver" but was always eager to give to every worthy object. The Missionary fields of the Church were especially near to his heart and always found in him a generous supporter.

As Rector's Warden, the Rector on many occasions consulted with him on matters of grave importance and always found in him a sincere, a conscientious and a faithful friend and advisor. Being a man of deep spirituality he entered into the Rector's life and work with sympathetic interest, and has many times aided him by counsel and advice in the decision of different problems, or by sympathy and by prayer, helped the Rector in carrying a burden that was weighing upon his heart.

It is not given to every Rector to be encouraged and supported by such a Warden. It is not given to every Parish to have many men such as James H. Ritter.

This year 1912, is the sixtieth anniversary of Christ Church Parish. It has been ten years since our Parish has observed an anniversary. At that time we had a most interesting series of services and meetings. The occasion was marked by the presence of several distinguished churchmen, among whom were the Rt. Rev. Horacio C. Potter, Bishop of New York, the Rt. Rev. Hobart Hare, Missionary Bishop of Dakota and our own late Bishop the Rt. Rev. O. W. Whitaker, all of whom within a short decade have been called to their last reward.

It is eminently proper that we, the people of Christ Church Parish should mark in some fitting way before this year of grace draws to a close, the sixtieth anniversary of this Parish and that the occasion should be one of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for all the manifold blessings and mercies, which He in His infinite goodness has vouchsafed to us both in our individual and in our corporate life.

At a meeting of the Vestry held on Friday evening, May 17th, it was resolved that the Sixtieth Anniversary of Christ Church Parish should be observed in an appropriate manner on a date next fall, to be determined later, and that all the people of this Parish be asked to co-operate in making this Anniversary an occasion of social gathering in our new Parish House of all parishioners and friends of Christ Church and also that services of thanksgiving to Almighty God be arranged to be held in the church.

In accordance with this resolution the Rector appointed an Anniversary Committee of the Vestrymen consisting of Richard H. Morris, O. N. Middleton, Charles Heyer, Henry R. Baremore and George T. Morgan.

A Parochial Committee will also be appointed to co-operate with the above Committee and the date of the celebration of the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Parish and more definite information will be announced in the next issue of the "Chimes."

The Rector wishes to say a word to every member in the Parish in regard to the "duplex envelope system," re-

cently introduced into this Parish. He feels certain that it is by far the best system of giving that has yet been devised—because it encourages conscientious, systematic giving to God's work and is adapted to persons in every walk of life. System is necessary in the Church as in secular affairs. It forms good habits, and it also produces results of value. Even the most spontaneous acts, such as prayer, need to be cultivated and performed according to some rule. This principle holds good of our giving. Only by regularity can we gain the habit of worshipping the Lord with our substance or give a worthy amount to the maintenance and extension of the Church. To attain these important ends, the Vestry has introduced the Duplex Envelopes into Christ Church. The results are most encouraging. Our offerings have increased both to missions and the parish support. But it is clear that we can do much better than we are doing. The Accounting Warden states in his letter in another column of this issue of the "Chimes" that in this Parish of over five hundred communicants there are less than two hundred (200) contributors through this envelope system. There are many, therefore, who have not as yet, availed themselves of this system of giving. There are a few who have accepted the envelopes but make no use of them. Others who have taken them use them only fitfully. Let us start this spring with the resolve that every envelope in the package will carry an offering into God's treasury.

Secondly: Let us endeavor to get every one in the parish, old and young, to accept a package of envelopes.

Thirdly: Let us try to put something into each pocket of the envelope every Sunday.

Let each one give according to his own ability, the poorer members not discouraged by the necessary smallness of their gifts, and those who have more of the world's goods not wearied by the number of demands that come upon them from many quarters but giving as God hath prospered them.

It is earnestly hoped that the duplex envelope system will be adopted by every member of the Parish.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

Forms of Bequest

FOR THE ENDOWMENT FUND

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Pa., the sum of _____ dollars, for the purpose of said Endowment Fund.

FOR THE ENDOWMENT OF A PEW

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Pa., the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, for the Endowment of a Pew to be called the _____ pew.

NOTE—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable uses must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCIETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 3rd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club .. 2nd Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2nd and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club)
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) .. 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Kalendar for June and July

June 1st—Ember Day.
June 2—Trinity Sunday.
June 9—First Sunday after Trinity.
June 11—St. Barnabas.
June 16—Second Sunday after Trinity.
June 23—Third Sunday after Trinity.
June 24—St. John—Baptist.
June 29—St. Peter.
June 30—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
July 7—Fifth Sunday after Trinity.
July 14—Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
July 21—Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
July 25—St. James.
July 28—Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

Big Quarter's Worth.

On Wednesday, evening June 19th, the Sunday School will give an entertainment in the Parish House to raise funds toward paying their share of the expense of the improvements to the Parish House. There will be a pleasant hour or so of entertainment followed by the serving of refreshments, probably ice cream and strawberries. You are assured of a Big Quarter's Worth and every one is urged to be present. Tickets, including refreshments, are twenty-five cents each and may be procured from any member of the Sunday School.

The Committee in charge consists of Miss Insinger, Miss Thacher, Miss Dahl, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Heyer and Miss Kirkland.

A Moonlight Excursion.

The Neighborhood Club contemplates giving a moonlight excursion on the upper Delaware River sometime early in the coming summer. The date is not definitely arranged as yet and will be announced later. This excursion will be given in conjunction with other church organizations and those in charge guarantee a perfectly respectable crowd. No objectionable dancing will be permitted and liquor is absolutely forbidden on the boat. Music will be furnished by a first class orchestra. The trip promises a delightful sail on the upper Delaware and should prove very enjoyable. Tickets will be 40 cents and will be on sale by any member of the Executive Committee of the Club, the names of whom may be found in another column of this issue.

The Duplex Envelopes

This system of giving has been recently introduced in the Parish and is gradually spreading. It has been adopted in most of the Parishes of the Diocese and is universally commended as the most satisfactory system of giving that has been devised. It affords an opportunity, with its double pocket in each envelope, for every conscientious giver to contribute both to the support of the Parish and also to the Missionary work of the Church. It is hoped that every worshipper in Christ Church will avail himself or herself of this method of giving. We are sure that when all realize the reasonableness of this system and the importance that every one should co-operate in the support of the Parish and also in the extension of the Kingdom of God through the Missions of the Church, this Duplex Envelope System of giving will be adopted by every conscientious Christian man and woman, boy and girl. It is well to state in this connection that Christ Church has some 500 communicants, while at present there are but 181 subscribers to the envelope system. Surely we ought to do better than this. Many are giving liberally while others are not doing their share. One hundred more subscribers at only 10 cents per week would give us an increase of \$500 a year. Two hundred more subscribers at the same

rate would give us an increase of \$1000 per year.

Our annual deficit at Easter is about \$1200 to \$1300. Therefore a vigorous effort should be made to secure new subscribers to the envelope system. This can be done if we all do our share. Let us then make every effort at once to this end.

Surely every member of the Church can give something, no matter how small. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules or will be supplied on application to the Verger or to the Warden.

William R. Pugh
Accounting Warden

Germantown, May 1st, 1912

RESOLVED, that we, the Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, in special meeting assembled, record this minute of the affection, esteem and deep respect in which we held JAMES H. RITTER, our late associate.

The breadth of his Christianity included within the scope of its interest all the children of God, and his earnest sympathy was with every effort to spread the Gospel of Christ and speed the coming of His Kingdom. With Him effort counted for more than the name under which it was put forth, and Christian Brotherhood was not limited to any division of the Church of God.

He was a staunch Churchman, with deep affection for the Church, its Sacraments and Ordinances, prizing its Common Prayer, its helpful ritual, its glorious traditions and the continuity of its history.

He was a useful parishioner, strong in his loyalty to his Parish and his Rector, wise in counsel and abundant in labors. He served this Church as vestryman for twenty-nine years, and as its representative in the Diocesan Convention and in the Convocation of Germantown for ten years. He was, at the time of his death, Rector's Warden and Superintendent of the Sunday School.

We shall ever cherish the memory of his useful life and be urged by the inspiration of his example.

F. B. Falkner
Secretary of the Vestry

Using a Good Invention in a Wrong Way.

The automobile is a marvelous invention. I am not an operator of one, but an owner, and am very fond of riding in it, and it is because I am so fond of it, that I am sorry to see it being misused, and pressed so insistently and so successfully into the service of sin. The automobile is a fascinating means of locomotion, as everybody who has given himself to it with any degree of devotion, will readily confess. It stirs the blood, grips the heart, and makes fools of indeed not a few, who seem to think that the chief end of man is to run an automobile,—by a sinful over-indulgence. Yes, and it taxes the nerves, challenges the honor, tests self-control. What a splendid health tonic the automobile is. I sometimes think that the man who owns and uses an automobile not only for his own pleasure, but for the benefit of his friends, who are not so fortunate as he, is "not far from" the Kingdom.

Then, what a fine physical elixir! It calls one out into the open with a two, four, or six cylinder machine, and by the way, the more the better, although four are as good as six for the average car, and it says, "Keep your head clear. Steer steady. Have the brake well in hand. Just blow the horn when necessary. Watch it. Keep your eye on the machine, and especially on the road, looking out for ruts, ditches, children, chickens, automobiles, and other conveyances. Use your hands, use your feet. Look ahead. Look around. Keep in mind about sixteen things at once, all the time you are moving." The point is plain. It rivets attention. No man can operate an automobile and play stocks at one and the same time. He cannot run an auto and a printing office at the same time. What is true of a driver of a machine is in a measure true of the other occupants. It is the greatest system for forgetting things ever invented. So it heals headaches, it drives dull care away faster than the machine can go, it relaxes tension, unless one has a puncture, or a blow-out. It makes the rider forget quickly the things that are behind, and press for-

ward to that which is ahead, unless the engine becomes stalled, or the tires become flattened.

And the beauty of it, one does not need to be the owner of an automobile to get the pleasure out of it. He may be a chauffeur, or a friend of the owner. For the auto has a happy greeting for everybody, even for those who indulge in joy-rides. The automobile is the ideal king of the road, and like some kings, frequently "rides over everybody."

Another reason, I think, why so many people are taking to the automobile, is that it is a supremely useful invention. I suppose more books have been written on the automobile, as to the different makes, the peculiar qualities of each, than regarding any other conveyance. For half the mischief the operator gets into is purely mental. Every chauffeur will acknowledge this. One can imagine more trouble in automobiling than in any other way of getting over the ground, and the moment one does, it becomes terribly real. He is in distress for sure. That is why the nervous, fidgety man or woman should never attempt to run it. It is a quick, studious, reasoning occupation. One has to make up his mind suddenly what to do, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, as in tennis, or baseball, or cricket; but as the long ride, or tour (the speedometer recording the time and mileage) is known only to the travelers, it is not spectacular, or cheer-evoking.

I suppose the steering-wheel would be conceded to be the most important part of a going automobile, but what a shy, sensitive little fairy she is. One slight turn of the wrist and the wheel will send the machine to the right, or to the left. Who has not felt that solemn, death-like stillness when the operator is meditating as to how to steer his automobile? So, I repeat, it is an invention for the cool-headed chauffeur, be he master or servant, worn-out business man, or perhaps a woman who has nerves, but not nervous. It is sometimes noisy, and an ill-smelling machine, a philosophical contrivance, subjective, objective, in-

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EDITORIAL

It is with the greatest pleasure that we welcome our Rector on his return from an enforced absence owing to sickness. While his health is not fully recovered it is safe to say that with the added rest and recreation of his usual summer holiday there is every probability that he will face the work of next winter in better health than he has enjoyed for some years. In the interval, however, there is much we can do to aid him in carrying the burden which must rest on the Rector of every Parish. Much of any Rector's time is occupied in needless effort to spur on those who are entrusted with the details of the various activities. This should not be so and we can all aid our Rector by doing cheerfully and willing those tasks which are either assigned to us or voluntarily assumed by us individually. The Rector asks no unreasonable things of us and we should be always anxious to do our part in the great work and to do it promptly.

Once again it becomes our sad duty to chronicle the death of one of the vestry of our church. Since our last issue Mr. James H. Ritter has been called to receive the reward promised to a good and faithful servant. For many years he was an active and devoted member of this Parish and was called upon to fill several important positions in our activities, in every case proving his sterling worth and ability. The last office he was called to was the superintendency of our Sunday School and during the very short period he was permitted to fill this position he demonstrated that his administration would have been eminently successful. In all the departments of church work he showed a deep interest and consecration and he will be missed very much. To have known Mr. Ritter even slightly meant to respect him; to know him intimately was to admire and love him. He was in every sense a Christian and a gentleman.

There seems to be a lack of interest in the work among the boys and men of our Parish. Numerous societies for these members have been organized only to gradually die out or at best to move along in a half-hearted way not growing at all. There are at present two societies in our guild which are organized to embrace all the male members of the Parish, "The Neighborhood Club" for men and "Christ Church Club" for the younger men and the boys. On other pages of this issue are printed articles about each of these clubs and every male reader of our paper is urged to read these articles and then to seek further information from some of those who are already members. It is a reproach that we have so few men and boys actively engaged in the work of the Church. The church needs men and the men need the church. Can we not get together and make an effort to give the church what is due her and at the same time reap the benefits which will surely come in return. Come fellows! let's do our share of the work, the Rector wants us. A man who does not help is to a certain degree a hindrance.

Parish Guild

Christ Church Club.



On Wednesday evening, June 12th, the regular business meeting of the club will be held at which time the election of officers for the year beginning with September will take place. It is very important that every member be present so that those elected to the respective offices shall be the choice of the majority and not of a few. Perhaps it will be well to call attention to the provision of the By-Laws which prohibits all members who have been absent from three consecutive business meetings without reasonable excuse, or who are three months in arrears for dues, from the privilege of voting. Quite a number are under the ban and it would be well for them to see the Treasurer, Mr. Hayhurst at once.

The tennis courts are about in condition and some action may be taken at the meeting regarding their use and maintenance. It will be necessary to provide nets; see that the courts are lined out and that they have other needed attention. This will necessitate some expense and it is only just that rules be made which will eliminate those who are not willing to bear their share of the cost from the benefit of the courts.

Through the Christ Church Club the young men and boys have an opportunity of being benefitted mentally, morally and physically and of doing something for the Parish which will make the Club a credit to Christ Church. The only question is—do you want to do this? Let every member who desires to accept this privilege signify his intention by being present on June 12, at 8 P. M.

C. H. J.

Neighborhood Club.

The annual meeting of the Neighborhood Club of Christ Church (formerly the Men's Club) was held in the Parish House on Friday the seventeenth of May. The important busi-

ness of the meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing year and the result was as follows:

President—Oscar N. Middleton
Vice Pres.—Chas. W. Sutcliffe, Jr.
Secretary—Charles H. Jackson
Treasurer—C. Lamar Hayhurst

The Executive Committee will consist of Colonel Sheldon Potter, Messrs. Davidson, MacIver, Owens and Dr. Rausenberger and the four officers as named above.

The Club is organized to afford the men of our Parish an opportunity to meet one another in a social way and to promote the feeling of fellowship and true "neighborliness" among the men of this community. Every man in the vicinity of Christ Church is eligible to membership and all will find a welcome awaiting them. The dues are not in any way burdensome and many more members are desired and needed to further our work.

Sunday School.

The Sunday School continues to show a steady growth. The attendance has been remarkably good in spite of the many stormy Sunday mornings. To this date Solid Gold Pins representing perfect attendance for four periods of thirteen Sundays each have been awarded to Mrs. Adkins, Walter Abrams, Walter Brown, Herbert Feist, C. L. Hayhurst, Charles H. Jackson, O. N. Middleton, Charles Sutcliffe, Sylvia Sutcliffe and Charlotte Westling.

The Sunday School sessions will be continued throughout the summer months, meeting at 9.45 o'clock instead of half past nine. Our School room is a very comfortable place in hot weather and the services will be made short and interesting so that all who can come will be repaid for their efforts.

The annual picnic will be held early in July. The arrangements are now being made and the full details will shortly be announced in the Sunday School. It is hoped that a large number will be able to participate in this event.

C. L. H.

Choir Notes.

The Misses Frieda and Anna Mueller have recently become members of the choir.

On Thursday evening, May 2nd, the members of the choir were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mitchell Lipp. The evening was spent in playing games, singing and dancing. After refreshments the choir members went their way all agreeing they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

On Sunday evening, April 21st, the choir members were both surprised and touched by receiving a large bunch of Carnations. The kind friend of the choir who sent the flowers is a member of Old St. Paul's Club in which our friend Mr. McHenry is so interested. Some two months ago this unknown "friend," who had not been leading a Christian life, was earnestly impressed by the reverent manner in which the choir conducted themselves in the chancel, as well as by their singing. He enjoyed the singing so thoroughly, and was so impressed, that he desired to give some thankoffering to the choir for what they had done for him. The bunch of Carnations was the outcome. They were distributed among the members who wore them as their unknown friend desired. Mr. McHenry says that the man from that evening has been living a most upright life. The touching compliment to the choir's singing, as expressed by this bunch of flowers, was appreciated by everyone.

It is with regret that the members of the choir have learned of the resignation of Miss Meisle, to take effect June 1st. Her many friends in the congregation, who have enjoyed her singing, will no doubt miss her. Miss Meisle has been under the doctor's care for some time, and it is at his advice that she is going to give up singing for the present. Miss Meisle has been a most efficient chorister and will be missed, not only as a singer, but for her personality which has made her such a popular member of the choir. Miss Alice Burnley will join the choir on June 2nd as contralto soloist.

Le R. M. R.

The Mother's Meeting

On Tuesday May the fourteenth, was held the thirtieth and last meeting of the year 1911-1912. After the opening service and a fine address by the Rector, we had a short report on the work accomplished during the past year.

Hoping that it may be of interest to our friends, we should like to give a few of the items for publication in the columns of the "Chimes."

Receipts	\$116.99
Expenses	97.69

Balance on hand	\$19.30
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The following are some of the items:

Receipts

Sale of clothing	\$30.37
Sale of rugs	12.25
Sale of rag carpet	3.20
Gift of materials	9.00
Cash from friends	15.75
Cash from other sources not included above	46.42

Total	\$116.99
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Expenses

Carpet weaving	\$12.60
Rug weaving	8.35
Materials purchased	34.33
Easter offering	15.00
Debt carried over	14.00
Other expenses	13.41

Total	\$97.69
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Number of meetings	30
Enrollment for year	23
Largest attendance	19
Smallest attendance	5
Average attendance	10

Two members were never absent from a meeting and one member was absent only four times.

During the year we made and sold many useful articles including 60 dish towels, 15 roller towels, 52 aprons, 12 rugs, 8 yards of rag carpet, 2 petticoats and 2 pillow cases.

We consider this has been a very successful year, but we shall strive to do even better in the future and hope for a much larger membership next year.

We still have twenty-eight yards of rag carpet of which we are anxious to dispose.

Most hearty thanks are due kind friends for many favors.

Miss Collison has furnished delightful music on several occasions, Miss Goodwin and Earl Biddle have given us readings, Mr. Hayhurst has given us valuable time for Stereopticon views, and other friends have contributed money and supplies for the Christmas dinner, clothing for sales and flowers for decorating the table at the last meeting.

The Mothers themselves have worked faithfully and deserve great credit for their successful year.

A. M. M.

The Altar Guild

The Altar Guild held its regular monthly meeting in the Parish House on Monday, May thirteenth, at which time it was a great pleasure to all to have our Rector with us once more.

Mrs. Baremore presided and after the Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted, Mr. Arndt spoke to the guild of the privilege in caring for the most sacred possessions of the church and urged upon all the members the necessity of thoroughly conscientious work.

In this connection it might be well to explain briefly the duties of the guild. In the first place the membership is divided into committees of three, each committee serving one week in the month, during which time they are held responsible for any service which may take place. Then they must see that the chancel is cleaned and in perfect order, they must put the linens on the altar, find all places in the Prayerbook, and Bible, polish the brasses and silver, take charge of the silver communion service, fixing the special linens for use during the celebration, and lastly they must arrange the flowers, which on great festival days is not an easy thing to do.

The officers of the guild for 1912-13 are as follows:

Mrs. Henry Baremore—President
Mrs. Wm. Avery—Vice President
Miss Helen Donlevy—Secretary
Miss Frances Cooley—Treasurer

H. C. D.

Junior Auxiliary.

The Junior Auxiliary has been meeting every Friday afternoon since October. Until Christmas we were busy preparing a box which was sent to a colored children's home in South Carolina. Since then we have been making infants clothes which are to be sent away next Christmas.

We have been collecting rubber of all kinds such as old rubber shoes, boots and garden hose to sell. Contributions to this supply if sent to Miss Frances O'Brien, 130 W. Duval St., will be gratefully received. The two superintending the work are Mrs. Topliff Johnson and Miss Ruth Henderson.

The officers are as follows:

Dorothy T. Rowland—President
Eleanor F. Lawrence—Secretary
Frances W. O'Brien—Treasurer.

New members are always welcome.

D. F. R.

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tropective—the Hamlet of conveyances. And it has had a most dishonorable history. It has been associated with more objectionableness than any other American, or European, form of conveyance. It has small attraction for the pedestrian, little, or none, for him whose head is unsteady with anything fermented, and none whatever for the man who is given to aviation. It is a contrivance that can be used for wrong doing, which leads me to the line at the head of this article.

Church attendance has suffered since the automobile has become a means of giving pleasure to the men and women who are fortunate enough to be an owner of one. It is true it can be used for going to and from church, for going on errands of necessity or mercy, but when used for pleasure, it is being used in a wrong way. Not only is a man starving himself and family by neglecting the house of God, and committing sin by desecrating the Sabbath day, but in many cases the hired chauffeur is a victim of indulgence on the part of his employer.

The poor man pleads the open air, boating, carriage riding, etc., as the Sabbath is the only day for recreation,

but the vast majority of persons using the automobile can go when and where they please.

When it is borne in mind that thousands of automobiles are in use in the United States (40,000 licenses were issued last year in Pennsylvania) and that more are used for pleasure on Sunday than on any other day of the week, the question keeps swimming into thought, what is all this going to mean to the future of the Church? If, as some claim, the workingman is not in the Church, the automobile is taking out of it not only the chauffeur, but the well-to-do man. On the Sabbath you can behold God's law being run over by the automobile. And then there is the Sabbath desecration by the dealers in automobiles, giving demonstrations and making sales or preparing for sales the following day, besides employees in garages.

Like other conveyances the automobile may be used on the Lord's day for holy and legitimate purposes, but not when it keeps persons from the house of God or turns Sunday into a holiday instead of a Holy day.

Personally, I believe the automobile is fast becoming one of the most serious Sunday desecrating questions before the Church. The men and women who are using it are after health and pleasure, and the sellers are after the money and both think they are performing a religious duty when caring for themselves. The automobile draws its devotees largely from business and professional life, excluding the poor preacher. It is a keen blade thrust into the very life of the Church. The foe that is to be feared most is the advancing foe. And if you ask what we as Christians ought to do about it, of course one hardly knows what to suggest. It is not going to be an easy thing to combat any more than the regulation of the speed. And, by the way, when the automobile is driven at a rapid rate, apparently regardless of life, the sin is committed of violating the sixth commandment, although the fourth may be zealously observed. The automobile is here to stay. Oh, that it might be used for God's glory, and that there might be written on it Holiness to the Lord!

We are losing our Sabbath day by leaps and bounds and flashes. It is running away with us at breakneck speed, automobile like. No use denying it. The man who denies it knows the facts. The automobile and the links are doing more to-day to empty our churches than any other lure of the evil one. They are the response of a worldly Christianity to the irreverent challenge of the age.

—Selected

As in previous years the July and August issues of the Chimes will be combined and will be published about the middle of July.

There is no sentiment about Christian work. It is a plain matter of duty. The man who waits for some emotional impulse to send him into the ranks is liable to find that the night of death falls before the impulse comes.

—John W. Wood.

And this is life—temptation, trial, struggle, conflict, possible victory—the strenuous life! You cannot cowardly give it up, and you need all the help you can have; and the only adequate help is Jesus Christ.

Why not recognize the principle that self-sacrifice is the salt of your religion and that when the salt has lost its savour then your religion is good for nothing.

No man who has never really tried to serve God has a right to object to His service. And has anyone ever really tried, and then objected?

A religious life that begins to stay at home from church because it is inconvenient to go will end by staying home because it is disagreeable to go.

It is so easy today to excuse ourselves from duty not because it is impossible to perform it, but because it is inconvenient to do so.

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An excuse, however disguised, always represents what we want to do, as opposed to what we know we ought to do.

The point is not have you had, what you call answers to prayer, but are you on prayerful relations with God?

It is not the grave we need to fear, but unrepented and unforgiven sins, spiritual death, unbelief.

We heard a man ask the other day, "When will this incessant begging for money (he meant for Church purposes) cease? It is call upon call, now for this and now for that, and I am sick and weary of it." More ask the question than those who like our frank friend put it into words. The answer is as easy as the question. It will never cease. It is a part of the law of the situation. While there remains a heathen on earth, an unfaithful Christian, a sick man, soul sick or body sick, an orphan, a cripple, an outcast, a wretched creature anywhere with any wretchedness, the demands will still be made, and they will still be answered worse or better. When all men on earth are blessed, when the sunlight of heaven gilds the hills and valleys of the world, and wraps the blue in celestial calm, then may men rest from their workings and their giving—not before.

Bishop Thompson

Whitsunday, or Pentecost

The Festival of the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the waiting Church (see Acts ii), has been annually ob-

served from the very beginning having at first been grafted on the Jewish Festival of Pentecost by Jewish Christians. It is, however, mentioned by the early writers as a separate Christian Festival; and Tertullian records it as one of the great days for baptism in the early Church. Pentecost means the fiftieth day from the Passover. It was on Whitsunday, June 9, A. D., 1549, the Book of Common Prayer in English was first used in place of the Latin Offices.

Only One Way.

There's only one method of meetin' life's test;
Jes' keep on a-strivin' an' hope fur the best;
Don't give up the ship an' retire in dismay
'Cause hammers are thrown when you'd like a bouquet.

This world would be tiresome, we'd all get the blues,
If all the folks in it held just the same views;
So finish your work, show the best of your skill,
Some people won't like it, but other folks will.

If you're leadin' an army, or buildin' a fence,
Do the most that you kin with your own common-sense.
One small word of praise in this journey of tears
Outweighs in the balance 'gainst cartloads of sneers.

The plants that we're passin' as common-place weeds
Oft prove to be jes' what some sufferer needs.
So keep on a-goin'; don't stay standin' still;
Some people won't like you, but other folks will.

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CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY { AT HOME MONDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. " " }

The Rector is pleased to report that he is steadily recovering his strength and, if he has no set-back, will be able (D. V.) to return to his work in the fall fully restored to health.

He wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many kind letters which he has received from parishioners expressing their sympathy in his illness and assuring him of their prayers for his recovery. He regrets that he is not able to reply personally to these kind friends who have written to him. The many kindnesses which he has received from the good people of Christ Church during his late illness will always be to him an inspiration in his work and will ever be cherished as one of the most sacred associations in his ministry.

On the first Sunday in July an offering was taken in Christ Church for the Children's Outing Fund. This fund enables poor children who live in the narrow streets and alleys of the city to enjoy a week in the country, where they can have good wholesome food and breathe the pure air. It has been the Rector's custom to get from various Charitable Institutions, the names of the poorest and most worthy families and to visit them in their homes (?), selecting from the list the most needy to be sent into the country for a week or ten days. This is one of the most worthy charities the Rector knows of.

It was somewhat of a disappointment therefore, that the offering on the first Sunday in July was not as large as usual, owing no doubt, to the fact that a large number of our people were absent from Germantown on their vacations. But the people who are blessed with the privilege of taking vacations are the ones who ought to be most anxious to share their blessings with the poor and especially the poor little children who are unable to go away.

The Rector affectionately appeals to every one, who has not, as yet, contributed to the Poor Children's Outing Fund, to send their contributions to our Warden, Mr. Wm. R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal Street.

Two dollars and a half will send one child to the country for a week. Surely every one will wish to contribute toward sending at least one little one out of the hot streets and alleys of the city to the fresh and green fields of the country. "Inasmuch," says our Lord, "as ye have done it unto the least of these my children, ye have done it unto me."

There is great danger comes to all of us in summer time to be careless or indifferent about our religious observances and especially about our Church attendance. Of course, no one who regulates his life on Christian principle will neglect his religious life in summer any more than in winter; but, unfortunately, many of us are not regulated in life

on principle. Too many of us act according to our whims, or convenience and, therefore, when warm weather comes we find it very easy to offer excuses for absenting ourselves from Divine Service. The weather, the distance from church, and other excuses are easily found and the conscience is lulled to sleep. Oh, what a fearful danger befalls the Christian man or woman when such excuses are allowed to keep them away from the regular attendance at the House of God.

How unspeakably sad it is to see Church men and women give way to these temptations and to find them on Sundays on the gulf links, automobiling or any place, save worshipping before God's altar. Golf, automobiles and other outdoor recreation are good and wholesome exercises and are refreshment for both the body and the mind. But no sane man or woman will say that these things, good as they are, are or can ever be substitutes for worship. They can and do refresh the mind and body. But man is more than body and mind. He has a soul which craves and needs refreshment and these recreations which give refreshment to the body and mind are not sufficient to nourish the soul; and "what shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

Let us beware, therefore, lest in resting of our bodies and our minds, we starve our souls. We must not, we can not afford in summer to lay aside our worship. The weary mind and the weary body need rest and refreshment and should have them. The soul, too, needs refreshment, and for it there can be only one service, one fountain from which it can receive nourishment and strength. "Come unto me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will refresh you." "Verily, verily I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you."

Seldom has there been greater cause for encouragement in the missionary field than by the information concerning the Chinese provisional-president, Sun Yat Sen, who has made possible the great revolution which has trans-

formed the Chinese Empire and is now retiring because of the success of the movement which he has led. Sun Yat Sen is a Christian convert and a Church man. He is a product of our Anglican School for Chinese in Honolulu, maintained by the S. P. G. under Bishop Willis, now a part of our own American Church Mission, and supported by the regular offerings of Churchmen. Moreover, three-fourths of those Chinese who have been factors in this remarkable movement in China are said to be Christians, and because they are Christians, the threatened massacre of Manchus has been averted. How thoroughly does this vindicate world missions! It tells of the world-mission of those who project them. It proves that our missions are not mere experiments, but forces that have the dynamic power to overturn the whole world. History in the Orient has been brought to a sudden climax and turning point by the simple force of Christian Missions!

The same force that has overturned the Chinese throne and ended the Manchu dynasty is the hope of the world in the solution of the present day problems of our American civilization, and no other force will solve them. With our present economic system in America that involves class supremacy, class rule and class hatred; the other is the Christian system that is based upon love. The question of the hour is, which shall prevail?

Let every believer in Christian Missions take courage. The force that went out from one of the humblest of our mission outposts has showed what is its power. The same force is latent wherever the Christian religion is truly presented, truly preached and truly lived.

The girls of All Saints' School, Sioux Falls, S. D., requested that they might go without one meal each day during Lent and devote the amount saved to the relief of the famine sufferers in China. This self-denial resulted in \$65. During Lent they also earned \$200 for general missions.

Parish Notes

KALENDAR

JULY

- 7. Fifth Sunday after Trinity.
- 14. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
- 21. Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
- 25. S. James.
- 28. Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

AUGUST

- 4. Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
- 6. Transfiguration of Christ.
- 11. Tenth Sunday after Trinity.
- 18. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.
- 24. S. Bartholomew.
- 25. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

The Rev. John R. Huggins very acceptably took charge of the services in Christ Church during the months of June and July.

During the remainder of the summer and until the Rector returns the services will be in charge of the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry. The Sunday services will remain at same hours, viz: 7.30 A. M., 11.00 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Rev. Mr. McHenry will be ready to respond at all times to any calls if word is left at the Rectory, or he may be called up by telephone at his residence, 238 Apsley Street, Germantown. His telephone number is Germantown 36-01.

The Rector wishes to call the attention of the parishioners of Christ Church to the following letter. It is very important and should call forth a generous response from our people:

Philadelphia, June 7, 1912
To the Rector of Christ Church.
Dear Sir:

As you are aware the recent Convention under the inspiring appeal of our beloved Bishop committed the Diocese to the building of "Six Churches in Six Years" and it has been decided to begin with the Memorial to Bishop Whitaker at 64th and Haverford Avenue.

Apart from the memory of our late revered Bishop, the opening at St. Barnabas Mission is especially promising. The work is rapidly developing so that in the near future the Mission hopes to be entirely self-supporting.

Will you, therefore, at the earliest moment, call this matter to the attention of your Vestry and Congregation and let us know how much your Church will contribute to this movement to carry into effect the recommendation of our Bishop as approved by the Convention of the Diocese.

We want to break ground in July so that the Church may meet the great need in this locality before January 1, 1913. About \$30,000 is available. We must have \$30,000 more in hand or pledged to warrant us in going forward.

Assured of your sympathy and awaiting your prompt action and reply, we are,

Faithfully yours,
ARTHUR E. NEWBOLD
JACOB LE ROY
S. LORD GILBERSON
JOHN A. GOODFELLOW
EDWARD H. BONSALE
JOHN J. COLLIER
THOMAS NEWALL

Committee
Subscriptions and pledges should be sent to Edward H. Bonsall, Treasurer, Board of Missions,
Land Title Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

A Letter from the Bishop

Philadelphia, June 25, 1912
Rev. Charles H. Arndt
Christ Church
59 W. Tulpehocken St., Germantown
My dear Mr. Arndt:

You probably know that contributions from Parishes in this diocese have never equalled the amount of the diocesan apportionment for General Missions. Consequently, towards the close of each fiscal year it has been necessary to appoint a special committee representing the diocese as a whole, to raise the amount of the threatened deficit by personal appeal to individuals. Last year, on an apportionment of \$132,912.00 there was a threatened shortage of some \$40,000.00. This year with an apportionment increased to \$157,970.00, the shortage seems to be only between \$20,000.00 and \$25,000.00. In other words, we had to ask a diocesan committee last year to raise 40 per cent. of our apportionment for us; this year we are asking them, at the most, to raise only 16 per cent. of a much larger apportionment. This is certainly a splendid step forward. We may well rejoice and take courage.

Meanwhile, what is to be done to prevent the injury to the church's work which would be the inevitable result should, our diocese for the first time fail to complete its apportionment? The Men's Auxiliary

has appointed a special committee to prevent such a failure. I am confident you will give them all the aid in your power. But will you not let me make two specific suggestions:

FIRST: If your parish has not yet completed or promised its apportionment in full, is it not possible to make a special effort towards this end within the next three weeks? If this could be accomplished in every case, there would be no deficit.

SECONDLY: If your parochial apportionment is already completed or pledged, could you perhaps find it in your heart to take a share of the burden which now rests upon the diocese at large, by writing to, or still better by seeing, at least three persons before July 8th, in order to lay before them the facts I have mentioned above and to ask them to aid us in this crisis?

I fully realize this is suggesting a task that is neither easy nor pleasant. Perhaps too, you and your people feel that you have already done your full share. But with the progress that is evidently being made in our attempts to educate and arouse all our people to the Church's missionary obligation, it seems hardly unreasonable or unchristian to urge that those who have shown their willingness and strength should for a little longer bear gladly a part of the responsibility which really belongs to those who are still weak. There might be unfairness in this were we submitting to it in silence; but we are not, and the evidence shows that the unfairness is correcting itself surely and not slowly.

Any sums given may be sent in the regular fashion through the parish; but I venture to ask that you notify Mr. W. W. Frazier, Jr., Lock Box 1630, Philadelphia, of the success you may have in order that the special committee may be kept abreast of the situation. Contributions may also be sent, should you prefer, direct to Mr. Frazier.

May I suggest that you read this letter in full or in part to your congregation next Sunday? It deals with a diocesan obligation of paramount importance; and the true situation, with its mingling of great encouragement with momentary need, should be made known to all our people.

Faithfully yours,
Philip M. Rhinelander
Bishop of Pennsylvania

Deaconess Louise Smart one of our missionaries in Alaska, working at Ketchikan, was called to her rest on April 12th. She contracted double pneumonia, and the end came after three days. She was one of Bishop Rowe's noble and self-sacrificing band of women workers, faithful in all things, and her loss will be severely felt.

Christ Church Parish House Germantown, Phila.

At a special meeting of the Vestry held on May 27th, 1912, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS it has pleased the Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from amongst us Mrs. Helen Butler Falkner, the wife of our beloved Rector Emeritus, Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., and

WHEREAS Mrs. Falkner, as wife of the Rector of this Parish, was for many years, actively engaged in the work of this Church, laboring with unselfish devotion, especially amongst the poor of the Parish, always ready with her sympathy, as well as more substantial aid lightening the cares and burdens of many, and, in every way, striving to do the Master's Will and to bring souls to Christ, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Vestry place on record their appreciation of her Christian character and untiring zeal and thank God for the memory of another devoted Christian of this Parish,

RESOLVED that we attend the funeral of Mrs. Falkner in a body and tender to our Rector Emeritus and the members of his family our deepest sympathy with them in their bereavement, and assure them of the affectionate regard in which we hold the family that has been so long and intimately connected with this Parish.

RESOLVED that these Resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the Vestry of Christ Church, and the Acting Secretary send a copy to Rev. John I. Falkner, D. D., and family.

CHARLES HEYER
Acting Secretary

The Church at home does not take its missionary duty very seriously. It does not realize its own importance in the great work. One cannot but think of this in reading words like these from a missionary in China: "I trust you are well and happy in your work, without which ours would be in vain, for it is that great army at home that is ever giving us strength and courage for the battle here."

Wardens and Vestrymen

By the Rt. Rev. William Laurence, D.D.
Bishop of Massachusetts

What are the duties of the Church Wardens?

The ancient traditions are that by them "churches be kept in sufficient reparation," "bread and wine be provided against every Communion," "loiterers be not suffered near the church in time of Divine Service," and "disturbing of Divine Service be prevented." These and a few other traditions, suggest the Warden's duties in three relations. What are they?

(1.) The Wardens have the general care of the fabric of the church, parish house and rectory. It is their duty to see not only that everything is kept in decent repair, but that the whole appearance of the buildings is worthy of God's temple. It is for them and not for the Rector to see that the walls are well painted and the roof tight; that the church lawn is well kept; that after a snow-storm the church's side-walk be not the last one on the street to be cleaned; also that the interior of the church be well appointed, that the carpet be whole, the walls and ceiling clean and free from weather stains, that the chancel and pews be fresh and dustless. To them belongs the arduous duty of seeing that the church is well ventilated and that the temperature of Church and Sunday School is good. Of course the Sexton, who is also at the Rector's command, is their agent, but such matters require vigilance, and all of them, as many other details, add to the comfort and the dignity of the church's service.

(2.) The Wardens with the Rector, prepare for all the services of the church. They are the body guard of the Rector, ready to respond to any reasonable request, quick to aid him in his work, attentive to his interests.

They "receive the alms in a decent basin and reverently bring it to the Priest." It is a dignified and representative act, that of the Wardens giving the alms of the people into the hands of the Priest.

To the Wardens, as representatives of the people, a wise Rector will turn

for counsel, criticism and guidance. I am convinced that neither Rector nor Wardens take sufficient advantage of the confidential relations in which they may stand to each other. I believe that, if Wardens would in all kindness sometimes speak their minds more frankly to the Rector, and the Rector would confide in his Wardens some of his questions, difficulties and personal cares, there would be mutual advantage and a gain to the Parish.

(3.) The Wardens guard and assist the devotions of the congregation. Whatever tends toward edification—the seating of the people, the reception of strangers, the provision for Prayer Books and Hymnals—falls within the Wardens' province.

I know that many of these duties have been taken, no doubt with increased efficiency, by members of St. Andrew's Brotherhood and other young men. I am old-fashioned enough, however, to feel that they are doing it as the agents of the representative Parish officers; and I trust that, while the Wardens will encourage the services of young men in every way they will not abdicate their offices as the responsible curators of the Church and of the general interests of the congregation.

What are the duties of the Vestry?

The Vestry as a body stands responsible for the financial condition of the Parish. The duty of raising money cannot be given over to the Rector or the Treasurer or some active Vestryman. While one or another may take certain lines of work, the responsibility is with the whole Vestry; and no good Vestryman will hear the Treasurer report a deficit or a delay in the payment of the Rector's salary without a sense of shame and a resolution that he will try to prevent its happening again. Above all other institutions, the Church should bear a high name for financial honor. Business integrity is essential to the efficiency of a Parish. I occasionally come across a clergyman who, unpractical or careless in finances, does not pay his debts. I have no excuse to offer for him. I can say, however, that I

look with admiration upon the great body of the clergy and their wives, for their economy, their good sense, their self-denial and sensitiveness to financial honor. And I know of few more cruel situations than that of a faithful clergyman who, keenly sensitive, has not been paid his salary and, therefore cannot pay his bills because of the listlessness of the Vestry and people. The work suffers through the Rector's anxiety, and thus the Parish suffers doubly in reputation and spiritual leadership. Fortunately such instances are few, but they exist; and I confidently ask every Vestryman to see to it that no such conditions find a foothold in the Parish of which he is an officer.

There is no doubt that the change from the Pew System to a Free Church or pledge or envelope system has made the collection of the Church's income far more difficult, and has also tempted Parishes to give less to missionary interests. Our Vestries have, therefore, a more difficult task before them than in other days. It is neither right nor wise to make the Rector appeal for his own salary. The officers of the church should have such a large conception of the Church's work, such a high estimate of its usefulness to the community, and such confidence in its Divine purpose, as to create a deep and abiding enthusiasm in themselves and the people, which will bring forth fruits in large and systematic offerings.

There is, as a rule, money enough in the people's income to support the Church. One discovers this when some object of special interest arises. I have known a Parish raise enough money in a few weeks to purchase a fine organ, while their Rector, an efficient man, silently endured the shame of unpaid bills because his salary was in arrears. The most valuable asset the Parish has is the Rector's best work and buoyant spirit.

We are well aware that, when a church depends upon fairs, entertainments, and spasmodic efforts, it loses its dignity and influence throughout the whole community. When a Vestry develops and sustains with energy

systematic and business-like methods for gathering in the income, it is surprising how steadily the amount increases; the raising of the Rector's salary becomes possible, and there is cheer and buoyancy all along the line.

There are a few other considerations that I would like to suggest.

(1) The Rector is the appointed leader of the Parish. In addition to his routine duties, he should be alert to opportunities for the development of the work of the Parish and the increase of its influence. Toward such movements the Rector should take the first steps. If, however, he be drawn by his enthusiasm into plans and enterprises which are not wise, the Vestry serve as a wholesome check; and a wise Rector will heed the Vestry's advice. At the same time, the Vestry should in general recognize the fact that the Rector is the appointed leader. If he has shown himself to be a man of judgment as well as enthusiasm, he has a right to expect a sympathetic consideration of his plans; and if, after full discussion, favorable action is taken, he should be able to count upon the support of the whole Vestry and through them of the Parish. In a well ordered Parish, Rector and Vestry work together as one, the Rector leading, the Vestry supporting him with full confidence and loyalty.

(2) As the Vestry represents the Parish, I wish that it were possible for the members of the Vestry to know personally a larger proportion of the people of the Parish. The Rector knows all. The Vestryman usually knows but very few. It is not his fault; he has no means of knowing them. At the same time, I am confident that, if the people of the Parish knew their officers better, and the officers, being earnest and enthusiastic men, knew the whole people, there would be vastly more unity and more momentum to the Parish life than there is to-day. How that may be accomplished I leave to you. I am sure, however, that our Parishes would do a mightier work if, by mutual acquaintance and a sympathy which comes with it, there were more esprit de corps. It is that which wins the battle,

whether it be in a South African war or in the battle against godlessness in a town in Massachusetts.

The Church on Business Principles

The Church is a business institution. Of course it is something other than that and more than that, but it is that and like every other business institution it is called to stand the test of efficiency. To make its people realize the parish's obligation and their own responsibilities is the vestry's business. Seldom have we seen this task so energetically undertaken as in the Church of the Ascension, Mount Vernon, N. Y., where one of the members of the vestry, himself an expert advertising man, has put his talent to effective use in leaflets that in their form command attention, and, having secured that, tell in a straightforward way where the vestry gets its money, what it does with it, how it organizes itself for the work of the church, and also, possibly quite as important, how it ought not to be expected to do business, and how haphazard and wasteful methods can be avoided if people will but think a little of the business end of the church.

Those who believe that special offerings will solve financial problems fool themselves and the parish. The greatest handicap to the successful operation of a church lies in the lack of knowledge on the part of the laity or the failure upon the part of the people to realize that the maintenance of a church is very much of a business proposition. It is a business in which every member of the parish is a part owner, and to which he owes constructive help in making the business more successful. They are bringing that home to the minds of the congregation so effectively in Mount Vernon that, starting with ninety contributors through duplex envelopes on March 1, with no canvass as yet, the subscribers in Ascension parish already number two hundred and ten.

—Selected

No man, is justified in pleading any interest, be it ever so sacred, as paramount to the interest of the kingdom of God. This lesson is sadly needed to-day when the great sin of our time is

not any particular overt violation of the moral law. There are, of course, violations and awful sins without number, but the great awful sin of our time is the sin of indifference to the divine claim. Men will deliver high tribute to the church and holy things in general. We do not really consider ourselves pagan, but the real offense is that of old—"when I have a more convenient season I will call for thee." Think of the smug complacency of the man who knows that eternal things are of paramount importance. He expects to share in all that the God of all glory has promised for faithful sacrificing service, and yet when business, pleasure, personal discomfort interfere with the routine of religious and necessary duty he permits the holy cause to go by default. One of the hardest tasks of the church today is not to combat atheism, or any particular form of opposition, but that spirit of good-natured indifference to the necessity for constant zeal and activity in every form of Christian service.

—Selected

Philips Brooks was once asked the question: "What is the first thing you would do if you had accepted a call to become the rector of a small, discouraged congregation that is not even meeting its current expenses?"

His reply was, so it is stated: "The first thing I would do would be to preach on, and ask the congregation to make an offering for, foreign missions."

Phillips Brooks was never called to that kind of a church. But he was enunciating a sound principle. Scores of congregations today are proving in their own experience that the best way

To keep out of debt,

To develop a healthy growth,

To serve the local community effectively,

To drive away the congregational blues is to adopt a world missionary policy, and make adequate offerings for telling the message everywhere.

The Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club, whose Secretary in this Parish is Mrs. Toppliff Johnson, is doing a good work in a quiet and unostentatious way. The

object of the club is to distribute periodicals and magazines to persons in far distant places, where good literature is scarce and difficult to get. The following letter recently received by a lady in this parish, who sends her magazines away, through our branch of the Church Periodical Club, is one of many which show how highly appreciated the work of the Club is by persons living in isolated places of the world.

The Parsonage. Kohala, Hawaii, H. T.
April 22, 1912

My dear Madame:

Please accept my very cordial thanks for the Magazines which were received in due time. We only have a weekly mail from Honolulu which makes our connection with the Coast mail very uncertain, so that it seems quite a long time before we can acknowledge mail received. I am very grateful for your kindness in sending me the Magazines. We are living in a very isolated part of the Islands where there is no Public Library or Reading Room and all kinds of reading matter is therefore most acceptable.

I shall also find the Magazines helpful in my work, as all the Clergy in this jurisdiction find it necessary to teach a Night School for the many oriental races who furnish the labor for the various sugar plantations. I have in my school, Japanese, Chinese, Koreans, Filipinos and a few Native Hawaiians. My pupils are all grown men and the ordinary school readers do not seem suitable for these men so that I make up their reading lessons from current literature and find pictures most helpful. I usually put a picture before them and get them to tell me all they can about it, this teaches them to speak English which is the thing they want to learn. Not many of my men are Christians but some are inquirers about our religion and it is by means of these night schools that we get in touch with them.

It is a great help and encouragement in our isolated life to have this help from those at home and I assure you that I do appreciate most highly the help that you give me.

Very faithfully yours,

J. W. Merrill

Persons in the congregation who take magazines of any kind, secular, scientific or religious, will be furnished with names and addresses where their maga-

zines will be highly appreciated, if they will communicate with Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Locust Ave., Germantown.

Do not let your good reading matter accumulate and be destroyed when it can be of such valuable service to others less fortunate than you are.

The Infant School held its annual picnic Saturday afternoon, June 8th on the rectory lawn. The day was ideal and the children had a very enjoyable time playing games; after which they were served with ice cream and cake. One and all went home feeling very happy.

E. L. H.

Big Quarter's Worth

On June 19th, after a lapse of six years, the people of Christ Church were treated to one of the old time "Big Quarter's Worth" entertainments; the only difference being the sign "Under New Management" which caused some a touch of sadness, which came from the fact that the tickets and programs bore the name of Christ Church Sunday School instead of Christ Church Club. However, "let the dead past bury its dead" and if the present generation continues to emulate in like manner other worthy principles of the Club the same results will accrue.

The entertainment was a success in every sense of the word. Many compliments have been paid the committee of ladies in charge and they deserve credit for the manner in which they performed their duty.

The proceeds will amount to \$45.00 and this sum will be used by the School in helping to redeem the pledge of \$1500 towards the Parish House Improvement Fund. But for the heavy expenses caused by a desire to give all the worth of their money the net return would have been close to \$60.00.

The Sunday School wishes to thank every one who helped in any way, both participants and audience, and trust that they will come to its aid in future when another equally deserving effort is to be made by the School. C. H. J.

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Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with
the Parish are requested to hand their names and
addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to
call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.
Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A
Communicant moving from one Parish to another
shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the
Parish of his late residence, or if there be no
Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate
stating that he or she is a Communicant in good
standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regu-
lar income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent
pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordial-
ly welcomed to seats in the Church and are in-
vited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through
the Envelope System such sums as they may be
able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to
support the work of the Church.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-
pointment.

Kalendar for October

October 6th—Eighteenth Sunday after
Trinity.
October 13th—Nineteenth Sunday after
Trinity.
October 18th—St. Luke.
October 20th—Twentieth Sunday after
Trinity.
October 27th—Twenty-first Sunday
after Trinity.
October 28th—3^d. Simon and St. Jude.

STATED MEETINGS OF PAROCHIAL SOCI- ETIES HELD IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Altar Guild 2nd Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 1st and 3rd
Thursday 7.30 P. M.
Choir Meeting Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club .. 2nd Wednesday 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King, 2nd and 4th
Monday 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary Friday, 3.45 P. M.
Ladies' Auxiliary (Christ Church Club)
2nd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Neighborhood Club (Men) .. 3rd Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting 1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Vestment Guild 1st Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Sixtieth Anniversary of Christ Church Parish

The Sixtieth Anniversary of the Par-
ish will be celebrated by a series of
meetings and services, beginning Tues-
day evening, October 22nd and con-
tinuing until the following Sunday,
October 27th, when the Bishop of the
Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhine-
lander, D. D., will preach in the morn-
ing. In the evening the preacher will
be the Rev. Robert Johnston, Rector of
the Church of the Saviour, West Phila-
delphia.

The days previous to this Sunday will
be devoted to a series of social meet-
ings, to be held in the Parish House.
The following is the provisional pro-
gram:

On Tuesday evening, October 22nd,
a Parish Reception will be held in the
Parish House from eight to ten. Every
member of the Parish and every atten-
dant at the Church is cordially invited
to be present at this reception. It is
hoped to make this one of the pleas-
antest socials in the Parish.

On Wednesday evening, October
23rd, a Men's Smoker will be held.
Good speakers have been invited to
speak on subjects of special interest to
men of the Church. Every man in the
Parish will want to be present on this
occasion. The Smoker will be from
eight until ten o'clock.

On Friday, October 25th, an entertainment will be given by "celebrated" local talent. Of course no one can afford to miss this treat. A full announcement of the program and the "celebrities" who will take part in it, will be made later.

The Anniversary will be brought to a close on Sunday, October 27th. The services on Anniversary Sunday will be as follows:

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion and Sermon by the
Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D.
D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, 11.00 A.M.
Parish Guild Service 7.30 P. M.

This service is especially intended for members of the Sunday School and all Parish societies. The special preacher at this service will be the Rev. Robert Johnston, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia.

The offering at all services will be for the extinguishment of the new Parish House debt.

A Memorial Pew to Mrs. James Y. Humphrey

The many friends of the late Mrs. James Y. Humphrey will be glad to learn that an opportunity will be given to them to contribute toward a memorial to this faithful and consecrated life.

The memorial will take the form of a perpetual endowment of the pew which Mrs. Humphrey was accustomed to occupy for many years in Christ Church. This pew will be known as the "Miriam Humphrey Memorial Pew" and will be perpetually free for use of strangers. The necessary amount to endow a pew will be \$2000.00. As Mrs. Humphrey's consecrated life in the parish for many years was known to all, and everyone, old and young loved and respected her for her unselfish service in every good work, this amount should not be difficult to raise. A committee of ladies, the chairman of which is Mrs. Sheldon Potter, has taken the matter in charge. It is desired that this memorial be an expression of love and esteem from every one who knew Mrs. Humphrey, and therefore contributions of any

amount will be appreciated. A suitable tablet will be placed in the Church, stating that the pew is given by friends in memory of Mrs. Humphrey.

Contributions may be sent to the chairman of the committee, Mrs. Sheldon Potter, 48 West Tulpehocken St., or to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal St.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

The Mothers' Meeting

On Tuesday, October the eighth at half past two o'clock, we hope to welcome all our former members and many new ones.

We shall begin our winter's work with renewed enthusiasm. Orders for more of the pretty rag carpet which we had for sale last year, make it necessary for us to appeal to our interested friends for all pieces of cloth they can spare for the carpet and rugs which were such a great success last year.

We have for sale as heretofore, white and gingham aprons, dish towels and dusters, and trust that every one in the Parish having use for such articles, will buy them from the Mothers Meeting. We shall be pleased to welcome new members into the meeting.

A. M. M.

Envelope Offering

During the summer months when many are away on vacation, the offering in the Church falls very far short. The Warden finds it difficult to meet the financial obligations of the Parish and is compelled to negotiate loans to tide over the time. It is therefore most urgent that all persons who are in arrears in their offering should pay their amounts in full at the earliest opportunity. Some are in arrears several months and if every one will pay up promptly the Warden will be relieved of a great part of his financial difficulty.

Boys' Club

It will be good news to the boys of the Parish to learn that the Club will be re-organized this fall and meetings will be held in the Parish House on Friday evenings. All boys over fourteen years of age are invited to join the Club.

Two basket ball teams will be organized and competing games will be held in the large new play room in the Parish House. Some of the boys want to put individual lockers in the shower bath room so that each boy may have his own locker. This and other matters will come up before the first meeting to be held, Monday evening, October 7th, at quarter to eight. Every boy who wants to join the Club is urged to be present on that evening. All boys over fourteen years of age are invited. The Club will be in charge of Mr. John Davidson and Mr. Keith R. Rodney.

Boys! Remember the date: Monday evening, October 7th.

The President of the Altar society requests that all the members be present in the Parish House on Thursday afternoon, October 7th at three o'clock. Arrangements of the Committees for the coming winter will then be made and some special work will be undertaken. An elaborately embroidered Altar Cloth for the main Altar was recently presented to the Church by a member of the Parish in memory of the late Walter J. Crowder.

Altar Flowers

As is well known, the Altar Guild supplies the altar vases with flowers. After the use on Sunday the flowers are taken to the sick of the Parish. The flowers on the Altar are mostly given by persons in the Parish in memory of friends. Any person who desires to contribute flowers in memory of a dear one in Paradise is invited to choose a Sunday nearest the anniversary of the death of the relative or friend and notify the Rector or President of the Altar Society, Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, who will be pleased to arrange to have the flowers placed on the Altar on that Sunday.

The Source of Civilization

We hear more to-day than ever before of the blessings of Christian civilization. Men are quick to recognize that this seems no more than an admission of the power of the Christ over the wills and affections of mankind. Yet many of them fail to recognize, or, if recognizing, are unwilling to admit that this power has been maintained and preserved, humanly speaking, at least, only through His Church. Go back only one hundred years, if you please, and ask yourself through what agencies have come the greatest achievements in all works tending to the betterment of human conditions. You will agree with me that they have come through the influence and teaching of the Church of Christ, when that Church has truly set forth the gospel of Christ. And yet multitudes of men who recognize this are unwilling to give that Church in any human form their personal presence and aid, the greatest gift of all.

—Selected

The various societies of the Parish will resume their regular meetings in October. The Rector desires to meet with each society of the Guild on the opening meeting. A full attendance is requested of every society, that plans may be made and the work arranged for the coming winter.

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EDITORIAL

With this issue the Chimes completes the tenth year of its existence. This is a record of which the people of Christ Church may justly feel proud. It is unusual for Church papers to have so long an unbroken continuity. When the Chimes was first presented to the parishioners it was hoped, but not very confidently expected, that it might have a life of five years or thereabout. However, at the end of twice that term of years we are still "doing business at the old stand;" and, although there have been times when it seemed certain that the end was in sight, we are in a position that would seem to warrant our continued existence for many years to come. This, of course, depends entirely on the financial support of our readers and we earnestly and confidently hope that the generous response that has marked the last few years will be the experience of most Church papers that the number of subscribers has steadily decreased until suspension of publication was necessary. Not so in

our case. The people of Christ Church have so shown their appreciation of our efforts that our subscription list has grown year by year until the number for the volume just ending has been the largest in our short history. The paper is yours and you have generously aided its Editors in meeting what has been a very considerable expense. May we not hope for even a larger number of subscribers for this year? All subscriptions end with this number and we earnestly request prompt renewals, in order that there may be no interruption in our publication.

While figures are usually tiresome it may be of interest to note that since our first appearance we have issued 109 numbers of the Chimes, that over 70,000 copies of our paper have been printed and distributed. In these ten years over 900 pages of reading matter, excluding advertisements entirely, have been prepared and presented to our readers.

It has been our endeavor at all times to present the local news of the Parish in a breezy and yet dignified manner, at all times bearing in mind that we represented a Christian Church and had her traditions and dignity to maintain. We have also tried to give our readers some general reading matter along churchly lines that might prove both interesting and instructive. Whether we have succeeded in our ambitions or have in any way failed to measure up to the desires of our readers we must leave to others to judge and we can find the only indication of your approval or disapproval in the measure of support which we receive. We appreciate your generosity of the past and will enter upon another year confident that it will be even better than the year now ending.

The Episcopal Church accounts reverence to be one of the indispensable foundation-stones of noble character, and is willing to run even the risk of formalism that she may foster in young and old the spirit that in humility adores. Therefore she uses a liturgy.

The Awakening in China

About fifty years ago Bishop Boone proposed to go to China and he was told there was a wall about it, but he said, there's a door. The reply given was, the door is closed. "I can go, however, and oil the hinges, and if I can accomplish that, I will consider that my mission is not in vain." Considering the fact that he worked eight years before he made a single convert, it was not surprising that there were those who made their criticisms as to the waste of men and the useless expenditure of money in trying to carry the Church where, it was said, it was not wanted. The work, however, was persisted in, and today we have in our Diocese there fifty clergymen, ten physicians, two hundred teachers and five thousand communicants.

Altogether in China, there are now over two hundred thousand members of Christian Churches and at least a million of adherents. The literary and student classes have been reached. The Bible has been adopted as a part of the teaching of the public schools in many of the provinces. A viceroy, nearest the throne, has published a book advocating Christianity as a part of the coming civilization in China. With the marvelous awakening in the East, there should certainly be on our part a corresponding awakening in supplying men and equipment, in entering the doors of opportunity that are now open and in responding to the calls of encouragement which are given.

—Selected

Unfaithful Messengers

A little street boy had learned in his few visits to a mission school the story of God's love, and he accepted with eager faith the thought of a watchful Father in heaven. Some older companions sneered at his trust.

"If you've got a great friend like that, why don't he take better care of you?" they asked. "If he's so rich and mighty, and thinks so much of you, why don't he send you decent clothes and shoes and the other things you need?"

The little fellow pondered a minute—it was the old hard question that has

tried the faith of many an older Christian—then his loving trust conquered, and he answered with simple loyalty, "I guess he did tell somebody, and they forgot!"

Somebody—somebody who has God-given money and time and responsibility—has always forgotten when the little ones go neglected and uncared for. A great share of the pain and need of the world, over which we mourn, and concerning which we challenge the Highest, comes through human forgetting. Somebody is neighbor to every case of grief and want our old world knows. Suppose each one should do all in his power to lessen it and to help those nearest to him, how far off would the millennium be? But the little boy's trusting, loving answer holds another lesson, also, for many of us older ones. When things go wrong, when hopes and plans fail, and the need and its answer seem slow to meet, we are often swift to murmur that God's promise had not been kept. Why should we grow bitter and hard as if he had deserted us? Why cannot we, too, remember how human weakness intervenes, and be lovingly, loyally sure that the Father is true, however man forgets? We may be sure that he sees the unfaithful messenger as well as the needy servant, and that his help will come to the one who trustingly waits.

—Selected

Some people are always complaining that they do not get any good out of going to Church and seem to feel that in some way the Church or the minister is to blame. These people need to look within and they will speedily find that the fault lies in themselves. We get from the Church proportionately as we give. The business man who desires to get larger returns from his factory or his shop knows that he must put more into it—more of his money, more of his time, more of himself. The same rule is equally true when applied to the Church—if we would get more out of our religious connections we must give more ourselves.

—Selected

"The Dangers of Prosperity"

"In all time of our prosperity, Good Lord deliver us" in our sublime litany reminds us of the danger that beset our path when everything seems secure and prosperous. It was when Israel of old "waxed fat" that the people "kicked" or rebelled against God and forgot all that he had done to redeem them and make them a great nation.

So in our own country our apparent strength, marvelous growth and wonderful prosperity bring in their train weakness and disease which, if not corrected and eradicated, must inevitably lead to decay and death, as with the nations of old. The increasing number of divorces, the foul crimes perpetrated, the wasteful extravagances of the rich and unrest of the people are simply superficial manifestations of a deeper trouble, which is nothing other than the worship of Mammon, and the false ideals of life which apostasy creates. Character, ability and worth sink into insignificance before the glitter and bauble of that which money can buy, and thus the desire to seem to be rich and the greed to obtain riches, the marriages for convenience or for material and social advantage: these eat as a canker into the fabric of society and destroy homes, corrupt the State, degrade the Church, and God and his service is forgotten; but He reigneth still and some day will call men to account and punish them for their sins. It becometh then the supreme duty of all his faithful servants to set their faces steadfastly against these things.

—Selected

A Blessed Death

A venerable colored minister, who had been pleading earnestly for Foreign Missions, closed his exhortation with these words: Brethren, I've heard of Churches dat's dying of 'spectability. I've heard of a Church where de souls of de people is all shrivelled up with selfishness, and I've heard of lots of Churches like a great barren desert, with no living waters, no waters of 'freshment running in 'em, 'cause dey refuse to do de Lord's will. But bredren, who ever heard of a Church

dat was killed 'cause it gave money to Foreign Missions? Who ever heard of a Church dat died 'cause it did what de Lord said? Neber! neber! Bredren, ef anybody would tell me of such a Church in all dis wide universe, I'd make a pilgrimage to dat Church, and I'd climb up its ivy-mantled walls in de moonlight, and up to de top of de steeple, and I'd put dis great black hand on de topmos' pinnacle of dat temple and say, 'Bressed am de dead dat die in de Lord."

—Selected

Bishop Morrison, of Iowa, says the Church will grow in almost any community, if the people—the laymen—will take hold and in a spirit of devotion to Christ and His teaching, begin an aggressive work **themselves**. He further says that in looking over his Diocese after seven years of service as a Bishop, he finds that while in many places there has been a change in the minister, he finds little change in the people. One thing is lacking—a body, large or small, of people consecrated to making Christ and His teaching a power in the souls of men, willing to make any personal sacrifice of time and inclination, ease and comfort, to set a good example and to rouse the indifferent. He adds with emphasis, that if any Parish or Mission is to grow the PEOPLE must make it grow.

—Selected

The Sunday School

The Sunday School has been kept open all Summer. Many of the teachers and scholars being away, the attendance was of course, small. The lesson was taught each Sunday from the chart by a different person. Those who taught the school during the summer were:

Mr. John Gallagher, Jr.
Mr. Wm. S. Owens, Jr.
Mr. John Davidson
Mr. Geo. J. Morgan
Mr. Charles H. Jackson
Mr. Frank O. Chaffee
Mr. O. N. Middleton

The School will resume its regular session on the first Sunday morning in

October. Mr. George T. Morgan, our recently elected vestryman, will take charge of the School, together with Mr. Middleton who has served the School so faithfully for many years. There will be a Corporate Communion of all the officers, teachers and confirmed scholars of the School on Sunday morning, October 6th at half past seven. A number of the teachers and scholars live at a distance from the School and cannot go to their homes and return in time for the opening of the school at half past nine.

The Rector and Mrs. Arndt will be pleased to welcome all members of the School to the Rectory for breakfast immediately after the service.

Choir Notes

The choir held their annual picnic at Belmont, Saturday, July 6th.

On Sunday, July 7th, the choir again visited the Eastern Penitentiary, and gave a service, consisting of anthems and hymns. The choir give as a rule, two services a year at the above institution, and are afterward conducted through the prison by the warden and chaplain.

Mr. Guthrie, baritone soloist, who gained such favor with the congregation, owing to his sympathetic rendition of solo parts, resigned July 14th. The choir presented him with a briar pipe, and several went down to Washington Street Wharf on July 27th, when he sailed for England with his family, where he will reside.

Mr. Warren Lightcap has been engaged as bass soloist to fill Mr. Guthrie's place.

Miss Cummins, who has been absent from the choir since the latter part of June, suffering from nervous prostration is now on the road to recovery, and expects to return to her place in the choir shortly.

The Christ Church Choir Saving Fund, started by the choirmaster September 1911, in which the choristers made deposits weekly with the object of having vacation money for this summer, stopped receiving deposits on July 1st, 1912, and returned to each depositor their share. The total amount deposited was \$428.11. Miss Jean Du-

ling, who acted as Treasurer, received the warm thanks of all the choir for her kindness in encouraging the members to save and for the arduous work she accepted so graciously.

Seeing the successful outcome of the Saving Fund, the choirmaster this past month, started the second yearly fund. Miss Duling declined to serve again as treasurer, preferring another to have the honor. No one has been appointed as yet to fill the vacancy.

On Monday, August 5th, a number of the choir left for Wildwood. Different choristers joined the party while there and all enjoyed the outing.

The prizes offered by the choirmaster for attendance during the summer months were won by Misses Frida and Anna Muller, first; Miss Laura Hayhurst, second; Miss Collisson, third.

Mrs. Anderson sailed for England on August 17th, for her health, and expects to return October 15th. During her absence, Miss Ethel Lightcap is filling her place.

Miss Elizabeth Barrett has joined the choir as contralto.

For the Sixtieth Anniversary of Christ Church to be held October 27th, the following musical program will be rendered: Kyrie, Gloria Tibi, Sursum Corda, Sanctus, Benedictus and Gloria in Excelsis from Gounod's celebrated St. Cecelia Communion Service will be sung in the morning. In the evening, Stainer's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis will be given. The anthem will be "Rejoice in His Holy Name," by L. M. Rile. This anthem is a festal setting for full choir, in four to eight parts, containing a fugue, and ending with a Coda, full choir and organ. It has been written for this service, and is dedicated to the Rector and Vestrymen of Christ Church.

L. M. R.

Rev. Murray W. Dewart of St. James Church, Roxbury, has this apt parable in his Parish paper: "Some of us can remember, some years ago, when the explorer Greeley was lost in the far north, a crew of men was collected, given a ship and supplies and sent out to find Greeley. It wasn't a matter of particular concern whether they would have

good weather or bad, except as the weather helped or hindered them in the finding of Greeley. Not a member of the crew ever supposed that that ship was given him for his own pleasure; no one thought of gauging the success or failure of the trip by the amount of pleasure or pain he had on that voyage; there was just one thing on their minds, one outcome that would spell success, one thing their happiness demanded, and that was to find Greeley. With a purpose no less distinct our Lord founded His Church. It wasn't for the personal comfort of the members of that Church. It was because He wanted an organization to go on a mission for Him."

—The Church Militant, Boston.

It Isn't the Thing You Do

It isn't the thing you do, dear,
It's the thing you have left undone
That gives you a bit of a heartache
At the setting of the sun.
The tender word forgotten;
The letter you did not write;
The flower you did not send, dear,
Are your haunting ghosts tonight.

The stones you might have lifted
Out of a brother's way;
The bit of heartsome counsel
You were hurried too much to say;
The loving touch of the hand, dear,
The gentle, winning tone,
Which you had no time nor thought for
With troubles of your own.

Those little acts of kindness
So easily out of mind,
Those chances to be angels
Which we poor mortals find,
They come in night and silence,
Each sad reproachful wraith,
When hope is faint and flagging
And a chill has fallen on faith.

For life is all too short, dear,
And sorrow is all too great,
To suffer our slow compassion
That tarries until too late;
And it isn't the thing you do, dear,
It's the thing you leave undone,
Which gives you a bit of heartache
At the setting of the sun.

—Margaret E. Sangster

Look thou within my thoughtless heart
and say
What thou hast done in this most precious day,
No longer thine to use in any way.
Hast thou been faithful to the truth and right?
Hast helped to make another's burdens light?
Art thou a better heart than yesternight?
Alas! alas! But wilt thou sometimes be
Good, noble, earnest, grand in ministry?
To-morrow's sunset gun may knell for thee.

Paul Pastnor

Gethsemane

In golden youth, when seems the earth
A summer land for singing mirth,
When souls are glad and hearts are light

And not a shadow lurks in sight,
We do not know it, but there lies
Somewhere, veiled under evening skies,
A garden each must some time see—
Gethsemane, Gethsemane—
Somewhere his own Gethsemane.

With joyous steps we go our ways,
Love lends a halo to the days,
Light sorrows sail like clouds, afar,
We laugh and say how strong we are,
We hurry on, and, hurrying, go
Close to the border land of woe
That waits for you and waits for me,
Gethsemane, Gethsemane—
Forever waits Gethsemane.

Down shadowy lanes, across strange streams,
Bridged over by our broken dreams
Behind the misty cape of years,
Close to the great salt font of tears
The garden lies; strive as you may
You cannot miss it in your way.

All paths that have been or shall be
Pass somewhere through Gethsemane

All those who journey, soon or late
Must pass within the garden's gate;
Must kneel alone in darkness there
And battle with some fierce despair,
God pity those who cannot say—
"Not mine, but Thine;" who only pray
"Let this cup pass," and cannot see
The purpose in Gethsemane.
Gethsemane, Gethsemane—
God help us through Gethsemane!
—Northwestern Christian Advocate

The Habit of Going to Church

The sense of duty, the love of truth, the desire to do good to all men, are not inseparably connected with the habit of going to church. Yet many a man may also make a noble use of the opportunities of public worship. They may deepen his nature and character; they may strengthen and steady him. They may draw him towards others and prevent his becoming isolated. They may enable him to resist temptations of evil to get rid of levity and egotism. They teach him to know himself, they may lead him to think seriously of life; they may enable him to preserve consistency when other men are going backwards and forwards from one pole of religious belief to another; they are the natural balance of

the amusements and excitements of youth, when the pulse beats quickly and the heart is eager, and the sorrows of life have not yet been felt. There is nothing in this which is necessarily formal or unreal or constrained. He who does not under some hasty misconception lay aside the habits of religion, as many in the present day seem apt to do, will find that they are in no way inconsistent with the love of truth. And he will learn, as years go on, that truth does not consist in a series of abstract propositions, or in systems of philosophy, or discoveries about facts of science or history, but that of truth too there is a higher and more living image in the perfection of human nature, the likeness of God in Christ.

—Benjamin Jowett

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gins the eleventh volume of its publi-
cation. With this issue a new Board
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faithful service of ten consecutive years
the former Board retires at the request
of its own members. Few persons, who
have not had the experience, realize
the amount of time and labor entailed
in getting out a monthly parish paper.
The Editors of the Chimes have labor-
ed faithfully during the past ten years,
solely with one object in mind—the
best interest of Christ Church, and it is
gratifying for them to know that their
labors have been appreciated by the
Rector and people. As an evidence of
the favor in which the Chimes stand in
the estimation of our people it may be
stated that at no time in the past has
the subscription list been as large as at
the present, and each month its publi-
cation is looked forward to by an in-
creasing number of interested friends.
The splendid spirit of loyalty to the
Parish, which pervades all classes of
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creasing number of persons who are co-
operating in the support of the Parish
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terests of the Parish and bringing all
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It is greatly to be desired that the
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willing to do the work if the people
will continue liberally to support it.

To the retiring Board the Rector ex-
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the successful completion of the first
decade of the publication of the
Chimes and his appreciation of their
faithful efforts and loyalty on behalf
of Christ Church Parish.

The Rector greets the incoming
Board with sincere best wishes and be-
speaks for them, on the part of the
congregation, a cordial co-operation.

The Sixtieth Anniversary

Estimated by any standard, the
meetings and services held in commem-
oration of the Sixtieth Anniversary of
Christ Church Parish were a great suc-
cess. Despite the rain that fell on both
Tuesday and Thursday evenings, the
the Reception and Entertainment held
in the Parish House were both very
largely attended and thoroughly en-
joyed by all. The Reception will long
be remembered as one of the most de-
lightful social functions ever held in
the Parish. The entertainment on
Thursday evening reflected great cre-
dit on all who participated and was
highly appreciated by the large au-
dience that gathered in the upper room
of the Parish Building. The Men's
Social and Smoker gathered together a
larger number of men than had been
seen at any one time in the Parish

House for many years and a hearty good fellowship prevailed among all present. The speeches on that occasion were noteworthy in that they were full of inspiration to the strong, virile manhood of the community to recognize their Christian duty and obligation and to discharge that Christian duty through the Church of Jesus Christ. The legal profession seemed to predominate on that evening, all the speakers, save one, were lawyers.

The culmination of the week was the wonderful services held on Sunday, October 27th. Beginning with the Celebration of the Holy Communion at half past seven and ending with the Guild Service in the evening, the attendance was very large and the services were inspiring.

The Celebration of the Holy Communion at eleven o'clock, will long be remembered as one of the most impressive services ever held in Christ Church. The Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., preached an impressive sermon on the text: St. Mark 12:30.

Gounod's St. Cecilia Mass was rendered by the Choir in so beautiful and reverent a manner that, in the words of a worshipper, "it seemed a trance of worship and I shall never expect to be nearer Heaven, than I was at that service, until I gain the Gate."

In the evening the Guilds of the Parish, including the Sunday School, marched into the church from the Parish House, the Sunday School and some of the societies carrying with them their banners. The large congregation listened to an inspiring sermon on "Consecrated Service" by the Rev. Henry M. Medary, Rector Memorial Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia.

With this service ended the observance of the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Parish. Outwardly the Anniversary was, in every particular, a success. We hope that it was more than this. We pray that this Anniversary may mean a fuller consecration of every soul in the Parish to Jesus Christ, which will manifest itself in a deeper devotion to His Church and an unselfish service in His Kingdom among men.

Faithless Communicants

In connection with the late anniversary service of Christ Church the Rector has had occasion to go carefully over the list of the members of the Parish. There are something more than six hundred names of communicants on the books, about seventy-five per cent. of this number are faithful and loyal to the Parish. They attend the services of the Church with more or less regularity, and contribute to the support of the work according to their ability. Many are inspiring examples of faithfulness and generosity.

Of the remaining 25 per cent., about twenty per cent. are "indifferent." They come to Divine Service "when they feel like it," and that is not very often—and drop a small coin on the plate, as they may chance to "have it at hand."...Of course their attendance at Church is not based upon any Christian principles, but is regulated according to their "convenience," and their "giving to the Lord," averages about as much as they would give to a beggar at their door or a grind-organ man on the streets. They do not know what it means to give "an offering unto God."

And then there is a third class—consisting of about five per cent. of our communicant list who are absolutely "worthless," so far as any usefulness to the Church is concerned. They seldom, if ever, attend the services of the Church, yet they consider themselves "members in good standing." Notices, letters and appeals are sent to them, as they are sent to others; yet they never reply when the Rector asks support for some especially worthy charity, they never respond—much less do they give to the support of their Parish. As far as any service to the Church or any support, personal or financial to any of its charities, is concerned, they are worthless. And yet they are the people who are as a rule the most severe in their criticisms of what "other people ought to do," and who, often make the most exacting demands upon the Rector's time and complain most often because "he does

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Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived:

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Classes (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for November

November 1st.—All Saints.
November 3rd.—Twenty Second Sunday after Trinity.
November 10th.—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
November 17th.—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.
November 24th.—Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.
November 28th.—Thanksgiving Day.
November 30th.—St. Andrew.

Thanksgiving Day.

The services on Thanksgiving Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Morning service and sermon 11.00 o'clock. The offering on Thanksgiving Day will be as usual for the Episcopal Hospital.

The Parish Reception

The reception at Christ Church Parish House, on Tuesday evening, October 22nd, was the first event of the week devoted to the celebration of the Sixtieth Anniversary of Christ Church Parish.

In every way it was a most pleasant beginning of a successful series of reunions.

Mr. George T. Morgan and Mr. Henry R. Baremore were appointed to attend to the arrangements for this reception, and showed their wisdom by calling to help them several of the capable and willing ladies of the congregation, who met at the residence of Mr. Baremore, and it is solely due to their efficient work, that the reception was such a successful and enjoyable affair.

Mesdames, Shinn, Roddney, Avery, Lewis, Jones, Crowder, Bland, Bains, Morris, the Misses Woodruffe, Morgan, Pugh were asked to attend to decorations and accomplish wonders.

Mrs. Richard Morris and Mrs. Topliff Johnson, the music committee, did their part so well, that the music was a distinct feature.

Faithless Communicants

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not come to see them." They expect a great deal of the Rector, yet they never do anything for the church, or give anything for the furtherance of the great cause which the Church represents.

The Rector wants to do by these people what is right. But the question rises, "what is right." When this class of people need his ministrations, every Rector yearns to do all he can for them—to dedicate their children to God in Holy Baptism, to be at their side to help them in time of trouble to comfort them in their sorrows and to kneel in prayer with them at the bed of death.

But surely, if people feel the need of the Church in the time of trouble and sorrow and at the hour of death, ought they not to remember their duty to the Church in the time of their prosperity? Should people be encouraged to believe that they can live all their lives without discharging any obligations to the Church and then, when they come to die, expect the ministrations of the Church and that her ministers will read over their graves—"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

They who think that they can afford to live without Christ and His Church ought—were they consistent—to be content to die without Christ and the ministrations of the Church.

But no soul can afford to do this. Sooner or later there comes into every life a time when the soul cries out for God and turns to Him as the only source of comfort and strength.

To meet this universal need the Church of Jesus Christ is in the world. But the Church, her ministry, the Sacraments, are intended to help men now, not to wait until they are dying or after they are dead.

Ought not these men and women who do next to nothing for Religion and seldom attend Divine Service to recognize their obligations to Religion and the Church, while they are living, while they are enjoying God's blessings of health and prosperity, and not wait until after they are dying or after they have passed away?

Mrs. Henry Marot and Mesdames J. M. Ritter, Heyer, Rowley, Simcox, Cannon, Robinson, Morrison, Johnson, and Miss Chase filled their mission of providing for the inner man very successfully.

Mrs. Alexander Jones, regarded by all as indispensable, presided at the coffee urn at one end of the well filled table, and Mrs. Walter J. Crowder ably supported her at the other end.

There is no doubt that every one at this well attended reception passed a pleasant evening, the mark of approval was on every face.

Colonel Sheldon Potter made a short address in his always happy way, and called attention to the fact that our much beloved Rector had been with us for twenty years; and most gracefully presented him with a token of the esteem in which all hold him.

H. R. B.

The second of the Social meetings of the week to commemorate the Sixtieth Anniversary, was an entertainment given in the Sunday School Room on Thursday evening, October 24th.

The talent was entirely local and was furnished by the members of the choir, the Ladies' Auxiliary and the Girls' Friendly Society.

The evening was anything but inviting, being wet and stormy, yet notwithstanding this the room was filled to its utmost capacity.

A piano duet in which both performers were heard to great advantage was followed by a soprano solo, beautifully rendered, and then came the sketch, "Surprise" by a number of the members of the Auxiliary. The story of the troubles of the new school "maam" ending in the happy triumph of the young and pretty leader, was well brought out by the members of the Auxiliary, and reflects great credit on the leader who had worked so hard to train the amateur actresses.

Another duet on piano, and a vocal duet, soprano and contralto, very efficiently given, brought the first part to a close.

The second part opened with a delightful soprano solo and was followed by an ambitious effort in amateur

theatricals by the Girls' Friendly Society, entitled "The District School."

This was in three acts and gave in detail the troubles, trials and triumphs of scholars, teachers, parents and principal connected with the village school. A number of local hits were interpolated and many of the speeches and situations were received with shouts of laughter.

The audience showed their appreciation of the work of the Girls' Friendly by prolonged applause.

A very effective bass solo, and a duet on piano in which the organist and Miss Collisson again displayed great talent closed the entertainment.

The following was the program rendered on the above occasion:

Program

Part I.

1. Piano Duet, (a) Prelude to Carmen
(b) Serenade
Miss Collisson and Mr. Rile
2. Vocal Solo, "The Poppies have Come"
Miss Alice Brunley
3. Sketch, "Surprise"
By the Ladies' Aux. of Christ Church Club
4. Piano Duet, "Les Preludes"
Miss Terrill and Mr. Rile
5. Vocal Duet, "O that we two were
Maying"
Misses Brunley and Steinmetz

Part II.

6. Vocal Solo, "The Valley of Laughter"
Miss Woerthle
7. Sketch, "The District School"
By the Girls' Friendly Society
8. Vocal Solo, "The Horn"
Mr. Warren Lightcap
9. Vocal Solo, "Zillanelle"
Miss Edna Steinmetz
10. Piano Duet, "2nd Hungarian,"
Rhapsody
Miss Collisson and Mr. Rile

The "Smoker" which was held in the Parish House on Friday evening, Oct. 25th was attended by about 125 persons, and proved to be a very enjoyable affair. Colonel Sheldon Potter presided at the meeting and introduced the gentleman who addressed the gathering. Very interesting addresses were made by Mr. Francis A. Lewis, of Philadelphia, Mr. Butler of Mauch Chunk, the Rector and Colonel Potter, while Mr. Montgomery enlivened the meeting with several humorous selections. After the speeches, those present were very pleasantly en-

tertained by the ladies' who served refreshments, Mrs. Arndt, Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Rodney presiding in the most delightful manner. The evening's entertainment closed with the singing of a number of popular songs accompanied by the piano and the participants separated at a late hour, having apparently enjoyed a very pleasant evening.
J. M. W.

Neighborhood Club

Mr. Bernard J. Newman, Executive Secretary, of the Philadelphia Housing Commission, has kindly consented to address the next gathering of our Neighborhood Club, telling us of their work and the City's needs and illustrating his talk with lantern slides.

The usual "Smoker" will be the indulgence, and all men interested, as well as all members, are requested to note the date, Friday, November 15th, 8.00 P. M., and make special effort to be with us.

The subject is one of interest to us all and we anticipate an interesting presentation; let us show our appreciation by our presence in goodly numbers.

O. N. Middleton, Pres.

The Annual Missionary Meeting of the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets, on Friday, November 15th, from 10 A. M. until 4.30 P. M. The Bishop of the Diocese will preside and the other speakers will be announced later.

The Mothers' Meeting

Since our opening meeting, October 8th, we have been working industriously, filling orders for Colonial Rugs, many of them corresponding with decorations and colors of rooms in which they are to be used.

We have also had an urgent appeal from St. John's Mission, Home and School, Corbin, Kentucky, to help clothe and care for six children of one Mountain family, ages respectively, 15, 12, 9, 8, 5 and 3 years. The step mother only two years older than the senior child. It is not unusual in these

mountains to find wives and mothers 16 years of age. The father is wanted by the Sheriff for the illegal manufacturing of "Moonshine Whiskey." We want to purchase material to make clothes for these six children. The girl mother must of course go to work, as cold weather will soon be here. We purpose to fill a box and send it to make these poor little waifs comfortable for the winter. Any donations of money, clothing, picture books, toys, dolls, will be gratefully received. We would like to send the box as a Thanks giving offering, for, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

We shall also continue our Parish House Sales of clothing, as we had them last year, and in asking for clothing laid aside, we want to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to all kind friends, who so promptly and liberally responded to our home-needs in this way last year. "The poor ye have always with you."

L. H. D.

O. A. B. C.

The attendance at the Sunday School has steadily improved since "Rally Sunday," first Sunday in October. It is anticipated that the two hundred mark, which is the normal attendance during Fall and Winter season will soon be passed.

It is proposed to form in the near future a Men's Bible Class to be run on the latest plans which have been found so successful in other churches.

Our organized Adult Bible Class should be a great help to the Rector and Vestry of the Church. Christ Church must not be without this help. The Superintendent sends out the usual call for more teachers—Volunteers will be welcome at any service.

An assistant in the Primary Class, one who can play the piano, is needed at once.

G. T. M.

Choir Notes

On Thursday evening, Oct. 17th, the members of the choir were entertained at the home of Miss Duling in Germantown. The committee in

charge of arranging the party, appointed by the hostess of the occasion, decided it was to be a children's party. The result was that all the choristers appeared costumed appropriately, and the novelty caused much merriment. Songs, games and recitations in keeping with the occasion were indulged in the evening closing with all gathered 'round a well laden table. Favors were distributed, both by the hostess and other (shining lights) of the choir. The affair was the most successful ever given by the choir, as all present agreed, and the thanks of all the choir are due Miss Duling, (also Mrs. Lening and Miss Strien, who assisted Miss Duling in the entertainment) for a most delightful evening.

Miss Cummins has returned to the choir after a long absence due to illness. All her co-workers were glad to see her and know of her recovery.

Mrs. Anderson has returned from Europe, where she had gone for her health. She rejoined the choir, greatly benefitted by her vacation abroad.

The following members of the choir assisted on the program rendered in the Parish Building on Thursday evening, October 24th: Miss Woerthle, Miss Steinmetz, Miss Burnley, Miss Collisson, Miss Terrill, Mr. Lightcap and Mr. Rile.

Miss Woerthle, one of the soprano soloists of the choir, sung her last service in Christ Church on October 27th, resigning to take a similar position in the city. Miss Woerthle while in the choir always did the work assigned her conscientiously, and by her invariable good nature and pleasing manner, became a general favorite among the choristers. Her absence will be felt by her many friends.

Mr. George B. Latham has been engaged as tenor soloist; taking the place of Mr. Cox, who has left the choir.

Mr. Geo. J. Corbett has joined the choir as tenor. Mr. Ed. Hutchinson has entered the choir as baritone.

Miss Irene Sharer, soprano, is now a member of the choir.

Miss Margaret Hayhurst has accepted the appointment of choir treasurer.

L. R. M. R.

Ladies' Auxiliary of C. C. C.

The Auxiliary resumed its regular meetings in September, at which time it was decided to give a play in the fall. The proceeds to be given to the Sunday School Pledge Fund.

As it is the custom to celebrate the birthday of the Auxiliary every year, the members attended a theatre party on September 25.

After the business meeting on October 10, a "kitchen shower" was tendered Miss Millie Bolton.

The memorial corporate Communion was celebrated on September 29. The flowers on the altar at that service were in memory of the deceased members of the Club and Auxiliary.

E. R. A.

Envelope System

The envelope system of giving is gradually being extended more and more throughout the Parish. A larger number of persons in the Parish now give through this systematic method than ever before. The system ought to be extended until it embraces every man, woman and child in the Parish.

It is the most business like method; it is the most regular and systematic; it is the thoroughly Christian; it is the spirit of Apostolic teaching. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." 1 Cor. 16:2.

Cards for envelopes may be had in the vestibule or may be procured on application to the Warden.

It is our desire to publish monthly an official showing of the Receipts and Expenditures or rather expenses of our Parish. Having talked this over with the Rector and several of the Vestry, and expecting to confer further on the matter, we hope to arrange to receive such a monthly statement in time for the next issue of the "Chimes."

This should show receipts of our Pew rents, Envelopes, Collections and all sources; Expenses of light, heat, music, salaries, etc., and bring home to us all the larger and necessary expenditures in conducting the Church and Parish. Also the too often uncertain and slim support given.

Girls' Friendly Society

In past years the Friendly, like other societies in the Church, did not hold any meetings during the summer. This year, however, a meeting was held every other Tuesday. The attendance of course was not very large, owing to various members being away on their vacations. The meetings, however, were greatly enjoyed by all who came.

The first Tuesday in October ushered in the regular fall and winter meetings.

Plans have not been definitely laid for work this winter, as the month of October was spent in arranging for the 60th anniversary celebration.

Only one suggestion for the winter's works has been made, that is, that a basket-ball team be formed. Mr. Arndt has promised to furnish an instructor if the class is started.

Any girls, members of the Friendly or not, who are interested in this should see Miss Phyllis Morgan our Branch Secretary.

O. G. K.

The Daughters of the King have taken up the Winter's work with the following Officers:

President, Miss Grace M. Roop; Vice President, Mrs. C. H. Arndt; Secretary, Miss C. Parker; Treasurer, Mrs. Quay.

We hope to take up the study of Blakesley's Apostolic Age. On last Monday evening we had a rededication service in the Church, conducted by Mr. Arndt. It was very impressive, and those who were present will carry the memory of that service through the years work in all we do for His sake.

All women (communicants) who are interested in spreading Christ's Kingdom among women are invited to visit us in the Parish House on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings of every month, and to come over and help us.

E. L. M.

"The greatest thing in life is to spread as much happiness as possible among those with whom we live."

When you doubt whether an action be good or bad abstain from it.

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EDITORIAL

Editorial

With this issue the "Chimes" enters upon its eleventh year and under new Editorial management. Ten years is a long period of time. For the new management we ask your co-operation and help; help not only of its readers but of all communicants and friends of the Parish; for the retiring management an appreciation of long continual and well rendered service.

In the leading Editorial on completion of the tenth year is the statement, "The paper is yours and you have generously aided its Editors in meeting what has been a considerable expense." This is true and not true. Every year many of the congregation rally to the support of the "Chimes" upon the necessary threat that if they do not so do, it must cease to live, but how many there are who, month after month, take the "Chimes" from church or Parish House and never pay for it? And what is worse how many times does our good and beloved Rector go down into his own pocket for the ne-

cessary ten, twenty, thirty dollars to pay bills and keep the Parish paper on an honorable basis. Do we pay such an extravagant salary and do we stop to think how many, many calls our good Rector has upon his purse. Let us be fair in this matter. We want every one to have the "Chimes" so let those who cannot send 50 cents for the years subscription send us as much as they can, 40cts, 25cts, 10cts and their subscription will be credited in full without a word. Let each and all send as their conscience dictates.

Many changes have come to Christ Church and its people during the life of the "Chimes." To look back is to note the many and silent changes that have taken place. We reverently say, thank God the Rector is still with us. May his years be many and his health improve.

A search through past issues strongly marks the fact that while there are many male communicants on the list, and many men seen at the church services, there are but few who have it upon their consciences to work. The number of male teachers in Sunday School at any one time as published totals but three. The present list shows better than this, but are there no others in the Parish with a sense of obligation for mercies shown?

As the Rector has written fully and freely regarding the 60th celebration of our Parish, and as individual accounts are given by several of the Vestry, we will not take it under Editorial comment at this time.

Some people think that written prayers are only form and do not come from the heart. Does any one doubt they came from the heart of those who first used them? They meant every word of it. Cannot we use them as earnestly?

"Train the mind to dwell on great themes, and it will soon make its home among them."

Hearty Recognition and Praise

We remember having read years and years ago an article written by the late Right Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, Bishop of Mississippi, on this subject; it made a deep and lasting impression; and we believe it will do good to many others to read it. Here it is:

"There is nothing better for a human being, sometimes, than a little hearty praise. Many good people conscientiously act on the directly opposite principle, and seem to think nothing better than a little hearty blame. They are mistaken, be conscientious in their blame as they may. There are sore burdens enough in life, bitterness and pain enough, hard work enough, and little enough for it, enough to depress a man and keep him humble, a keen enough sense of failure, succeed as he may; and a word of hearty commendation, now and then, will lighten his load and brighten his heart, and send him on with hope and energy, and if he has any reasonable amount of brains at all will do him no harm."

"Children are sometimes heart-starved for a little hearty praise. Conscientious teachers and parents refuse it on principle. They are conscientious fools for their pains. Boys will act up to the estimates put upon them, or at least try to, if they are worth their salt. A hearty word of commendation is meat and drink to them for the next endeavor.

"It is just so with men. The strongest of us can not work without some recognition of our work. We want to know that it is considered good. Our own judgments are not sufficient for us. A 'well-done,' now and then, makes us certain of better doing still in the future."

"We are not speaking of the silly nonsense of flattery. We mean sensible, honest, hearty commendation, because a man deserves it. We mean a showing that a man's good work is appreciated, that the doer is regarded for the doing, and that other people are happy in his doing, and want to cheer him on to do more. It will not hurt anybody, boy or man. To hold it back often does great harm, and inflicts on many a sensitive soul sore pain. For

our own part, we consider it only an honest man's duty, when he sees another man doing good work, faithful and hearty service, and doing it well, to say so; and, if it will help him at all in his work, to say it to him freely and heartily.

"Sincere commendation is the wine of life. He who withholds it, when he can give it, is a churl, a churl from the best of motives, but he is a churl nevertheless."

"Think kindly, and thy thoughts shall the world's famine feed;
Speak truly, and each word of thine shall be a fruitful seed;
Live truly and thy life shall be a great and noble deed."

"God nothing does, nor suffers to be done,
But thou thyself wouldst do—if thou couldst see
The end of all events as well as He."

Up or Down?

We do not know who said it, but it was well said. "People who are down on missions are usually those who are not up on missions." There is a world of truth in this simple statement which lies at the bottom of all the modern movement toward missionary education. Again and again it has been demonstrated that opposition to missions as such, has its foundation only in ignorance. How many times have we heard of persons who had "no use for missions," yet after a trip through foreign lands, with seeing eyes and an open mind, have become enthusiastic advocates of that which they once condemned?

The grand essentials of happiness are something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.

Have faith in God, 'twill give sweet cheer,
God's good, just trust and live,
He'll comfort give, and wipe each tear.
So trust. His peace he'll give.

Parish Organization

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Cradle Roll
Miss Mary Dahl

Parish Guild

Altar Guild
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Directress—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore
Vice Directress—Mrs. William H. Avery
Secretary—Miss Helen P. Donlevy
Treasurer—Miss Frances Cooley

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(Meeting, First Thursday in month, 8 P. M.)
Director—Charles H. Jackson
Secretary—

Christ Church Club
(Meetings, Second Wednesday, 8 P. M.)
President—Charles H. Jackson
Secretary—
Treasurer—Samuel Baxter

Christ Church Club (Ladies' Auxiliary)
(Meetings Second Thursday, 8 P. M.)
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Treasurer—Mrs. C. L. Hayhurst

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Girls' Friendly Society
(Meetings, Tuesdays, 8 P. M.)
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Now

If you have a word of praise
In these busy heedless days,
Of some striving, helpful one,
For the good that he has done,

Do not wait

Until too late,

Till the weary hands at rest,
Folded on a silent breast,
Leave your praises unexpressed,
Say it now.

Lest some earnest, struggling soul
Falter ere it reach the goal,
Lacking the encouragement
That you surely might have sent,

Do not wait

Until too late

Open both your lips and heart,
Comfort, courage, strength impart,
Bid his gloomy doubts depart,
Do it now

If you know that by your side
Others walk with hope denied,
Do not keep your sympathy
In your bosom silently,

Do not wait

Until too late

Their sad hearts to soothe and cheer,
Let your pity reach their ear,
They may not be always near,
Give it now.

If you love them, tell them so,
Ere the treacherous moments go,
Do not keep affection hid,
Till above a coffin lid,

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Till the hearts that would have stirred
Gladly to your spoken word
Silent are, with love unheard,
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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
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Advent and Christmas

The four weeks which precede Christmas compose what is known as the Advent season. Advent means "coming." The lessons read in the Church and the thought towards which our minds are directed bear upon the "coming of Christ;" they are threefold.

First: The greatest fact in the past history of the world, namely, that the Lord Jesus Christ took upon Him our flesh, came into this world and thereby redeemed it.

Second: That He now comes to every life, and calls through His Church to every soul to come unto Him. "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him and will sup with him and he with me."

Thirdly: That some time, "the day nor the hour knoweth no man," He will come again to judge both the quick and the dead.

The purpose of the Church in this season of Advent is to have its members dwell upon these thoughts, to meditate upon this subject, with joyful hope, preparing our minds and hearts for the coming of our Lord. We are commanded to do so by our Lord, Himself. Christ says: "Watch, therefore, for ye know not when the Master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping."

It is this preparation in mind and heart for the Advent of Christ that

makes Christmas Day so real to the devout Churchman and gives to the Day its true spiritual significance. Christmas to him, is not simply a holiday. It is, what the Prayer Book terms it, "the Nativity of our Lord, or the Birthday of Christ."

Christmas, therefore, without Christ is no Christmas.

Christ is the beginning, the center and the ending of the Day. Its joys, its gifts, its merry-making all spring from the Gospel,—the "Good News" that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son."

He who conceives of Christmas in this spirit, remembering its religious, its spiritual significance, will not allow the Day to be spent in wholly secular amusements, but will dedicate the day unto the Lord and, like the wise men of old, will seek Jesus and opening up the treasures of their hearts, will present them unto Him and fall down and worship Him

The Bishop has appointed March 12th as the date for his visitation to Christ Church for confirmation. Lecturers and Instructions on Confirmation will therefore be begun by the Rector on Wednesday evening, Jan. 10th, at eight o'clock in the Parish House. Persons contemplating Confirmation, or who desire information or instruction on the subject, are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. The Rector may be seen in the Church after any service.

The Rector is pleased to announce that, by the authority of the Vestry, he has called the Rev. Howard W. Gernand to assist him in the work in Christ Church. Mr. Gernand has been pursuing his theological studies at the Divinity School in West Philadelphia and was ordained to the Diaconate last month. He has had, however, considerable experience in Parish work, before coming to this Parish, having been engaged in the work at St. Simeon's Church, Philadelphia.

Mr. Gernand is a young man of ability, and we believe, will be instrumental in doing great good, especially among the young people in the Parish. The Rector bespeaks for him a cordial welcome into the hearts of all our people.

The following letter is sent out to the Rectors of the Diocese. We hope that many teachers and others interested in Sunday School work will avail themselves of the opportunity.

The Church House

"Will you kindly announce to the Teachers in your Sunday School that Teacher Training Classes are held at the Church House at 2.30 P. M. on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month during the winter season, which they are most cordially invited to attend.

We would be glad to give what assistance we can to any Rector desiring to form a Parochial Teacher Training Class."

A memorial window is being made and is expected to be placed by Christmas Day in the West porch of the Church. The window is in memory of two little boys, sons of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Lippincott. The window represents the Saviour holding in His arms two little children and underneath are the words "Of such is the Kingdom of God."

The window is of excellent workmanship and beautiful in tone.

A Men's Bible Class

A new Bible Class for men is being formed to meet in the Parish House on Sunday mornings at a quarter to ten o'clock. The first meeting of the class will be held on Sunday, December 15.

The class will be under the instruction of the Rev. Howard W. Gernand, who has recently come to the Parish as Curate to the Rector.

A cordial invitation is extended to all young men to join this class. Mr. Gernand will be pleased to meet any young man who desires to join this class.

My Childhood Saint

The following poem was written by a young mother in this Parish, shortly before her death. She gave her life in the birth of her first-born child, a little daughter who survives her. The sentiment of the poem shows the tender affection of a devoted daughter to her mother.

How well do I remember,
In the days that have gone by,
Of a friend, so kind and tender,
Whose love shall never die;
Of a face so full of beauty,
Of a beauty no art can paint,
The one I loved so dearly,
My Saint, my Childhood Saint.

In childhood she watches o'er me,
Like an angel from above,
With loving words she cheered me,
And guided with her love;
Her praises I would chant,
In words, they may be quaint;
I love, yes! I adore her,
My Saint, my Childhood Saint.

When life's trials shall overtake me,
And I fall beside the way,
I know she'll ne'er forsake me,
But for my soul's health pray;
Her peace shall come upon me,
When I am worn and faint;
My sweet, my holy mother!
My Saint, my Childhood Saint.

The tongue no man can tame;
hence thou canst not tame thine own,
for thou art a man. So thou must
needs have continual recourse to God,
that He may do for thee what thou art
not able to do for thyself.—St. Augustine.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for December

Dec. 1st—First Sunday in Advent
Dec. 8th—Second Sunday in Advent
Dec. 15th—Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 22nd—Fourth Sunday in Advent
Dec. 25th—Christmas Day
Dec. 26th—St. Stephen
Dec. 27th—St. John
Dec. 28th—Holy Innocents
Dec. 29th—Sunday after Christmas

Christmas Services

The Services on Christmas Day will be Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M. Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion at eleven o'clock.

The Sunday School Christmas Carol Service will be held the following Sunday at 3.30. This afternoon service will take the place of the usual night service. There will, therefore, be no Evening Service on Sunday after Christmas.

The Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund

The offering on Christmas Day will be devoted as usual, to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund. The people of this Parish have usually been very generous in their offerings to this worthy object. The appeals which come to the Clergy Relief Fund are many times more than can be responded to and the Secretary of the Fund reports many cases of dire need among old and infirm Clergy of our Church. The fund is gradually increasing by generous givers but, at present is wholly inadequate to provide for the needs of the old Soldiers of the Cross, many of whom have little or nothing to keep them from want in their old age. It is hoped that no member of the Church will forget on Christmas Day to give or send an offering to help make the latter years of these faithful old servants of the Church free from want and care. Those absent are asked to send their contributions to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal St.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild meets on the second Monday of each month. The last meeting was largely attended. At this meeting Miss Bessie Chase and Miss Maud Wismer, were given charge of the linens. It is requested that memorial flowers be sent to the Rectory before two o'clock on Saturdays.

Any one desiring a memorial Sunday in commemoration of their dead, will please notify Mrs. Wm. H. Avery, 54 W. Tulpohocken St.

The Altar Guild will be pleased to receive donations of money or flowers for the Christmas decorations.

Girls' Friendly Society

A very inspiring neighborhood conference was held at St. Luke's Parish House, on Monday evening, November 25th. There were members present from branches in Chestnut Hill, Germantown, Tioga, Frankford, and other nearby points.

The program consisted of supper from 5.30 to 7 o'clock, recreation hour from 7 to 8 and the conference from 8 to 10. About 290 girls were present for supper, which was served by the members of St. Luke's Branch, and which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were there. The recreation hour, of which St. Paul's Branch, Chestnut Hill, had charge, was also a splendid success.

Many attended the conference in the evening who were unable to be present at the supper. Dr. Upjohn, rector of St. Luke's Church, opened the conference with prayer, after which Miss Wilson our Diocesan President, gave us a short talk. Following this, papers were read by members of the various branches. There were about fourteen papers, written by the girls themselves. The topics, which had been selected by the committee, were as follows: Our Name, How and When to Wear the Badge, Good Citizenship, and the Advantage of Education. Many valuable thoughts were brought out in these papers, which will be useful to the members of the Friendly in the work in their own branches.

Nineteen members were present from Christ Church Branch, one member having written a paper.

The Girls' Friendly Society is the

largest organization of girls in the world. Christ Church Branch meets in the Parish House every Tuesday evening, at eight o'clock. We extend a cordial invitation to all girls in the Parish to join us.

The Mothers Meeting

We are still busily working on rugs and trying to fill the orders constantly coming in. Unfortunately it is almost impossible to secure the material for this work and for the rag carpet which was ordered several weeks ago. We must make another very fervent appeal to our friends for contributions from their scrap bags to help on the good work.

The last sale of clothing was the most successful one yet held. We hope to have another one before Christmas, by which we may add to the snug little sum set aside for an Easter offering. No garment is sold for more than one dollar and it is understood that we reserve the right to give away any articles, when a very needy case is called to our attention.

We have had given us recently, by one of our members a very pretty dark red cover for the table.

Having received a very touching appeal from one of our Missions in the Mountains of the South, we have gathered together with the help of kind friends, warm, comfortable clothing, underwear, hats, shoes and toys to fill two barrels, and partly fill a third. We have also decided to send ten dollars in money, beside the clothing. Cannot some one else be inspired to help us fill that third barrel.

At our last meeting, we were delighted to welcome Mr. Arndt and our new Curate, Mr. Gernand. It being the first Tuesday in the month, we were able to offer our visitors a share of the extra good things served on those occasions, ice cream, coffee and cake. We were glad to hear again one of Mr. Arndt's helpful talks. This time he chose for his theme, the Advent season and work for Missions.

All of us enjoy these weekly meetings and the greatest harmony prevails. There is still space for new members on the roll.

A. M. M.

Neighborhood Club

This is an organization of men which meets the first Friday of each month in the Parish House. Its object is to bring the men of this community into better acquaintance by enjoying a social smoke and chat and to spend a pleasant evening according to the program arranged by the Executive Committee.

On November 15th, we had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Bernard J. Newman, Executive Secretary of the Philadelphia Housing Commission, who gave a very interesting and enlightening talk on the conditions in the congested portion of the city. The talk was to have been illustrated, but unfortunately our lantern refused to work and Mr. Newman had to speak and the men gathered a mental picture of these conditions without the aid of the slides. After the address the men were served with light refreshments by several of our young ladies, and the thanks of the club was extended to Mr. Newman for his very interesting talk and to Mrs. C. L. Hayhurst and the Misses Martha Insinger, Elsie Moore and Jessie Kirkland for the kind assistance rendered.

The Executive Committee deem it best to omit the meeting for December as its proximity to Christmas will make it very difficult to secure either attendance, speaker or entertainment. At the January meeting we hope to make up for the loss of the December meeting and full notice will be given later. It might be well to mention that the Neighborhood Club has no dues. The expenses of each meeting are borne by those present as each may feel inclined to give. In this way the man who can only be present a couple of times does not pay a years dues for the privilege. Let every man bear in mind the Jan. meeting and try to be present.

C. H. J.

The Guild Choir

This Guild has not been disbanded. Its apparent inactivity has been due to some changes in its officers, as well as some unavoidable detentions. We hope to take up our work very soon.

L. J. J.

Church Periodical Club

This club is one of the most far-reaching organizations in the Parish for doing real material good as well as giving whole time, deep-down pleasure to many you little dream of—and think! it literally costs you nothing and are giving away what you do not want. Is not that an alluring proposition in itself? To say nothing of the pleasure of helping some man or woman, shut off from even the veriest scrap of reading matter, not to mention the splendid reading we have 'round us on every hand.

If you have not given it a thought—please do so at once—there is hardly a person you know that has not one periodical, mechanical, secular, religious, scientific and especially childrens magazine.

The club is doing a big work—but it cannot work without your co-operation. So men, women, and children wake up to what is at your hand to do—we want magazines, money, books—and your interest!

But do not send anything to the Parish House; first consult the Librarian.

Mrs. Topliff Johnson
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Women's Bible Class

The Women's Bible Class of Christ Church meets in the Parish House on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. Mrs. Henry R. Baremore is the teacher, and the class at present is regularly attended by the following: Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Hurst, Mrs. Baisbrown, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Rudolph, Mrs. Case, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Gallagher and Miss Lapp. One hour is devoted to Bible study and music. They are now practising Xmas carols in preparation for the Christmas Sunday School gathering in the church.

Mrs. Baremore is anxious to extend the class and will be pleased to welcome new members.

The Mothers Meeting needs material for rag carpets. Please send to Parish House whatever you have.

Vestment Guild

The Vestment Guild consists of ten women of the Parish, two of which are assigned to each one of the four—and if it so happens—five Sundays of the month, to assist the choir in the Vesting Room—with a general supervision over all things appertaining thereto—looking after the making and purchasing of new vestments when needed and keeping same in repair.

These ten women are most faithful in their attendance upon their respective Sundays besides meeting once a month to consult together over matters relating to their work.

One of the members of this Guild makes herself entirely responsible for the care and condition of the Rector's Vestments. This too is most carefully and conscientiously done.

L. J. J.

Junior Auxiliary Band of Mission

We Juniors are very anxious to increase our numbers and our good work in this Parish and feel that this Advent season is a most fitting time for us to awaken to the splendid opportunities that are at hand for us to help those of our own ages, but lacking our comforts and advantages—in other lands. So we beg of you to join us on Fridays at four o'clock and bring your friends—we know you will be delighted with the interesting things we are planning.

Devotedly yours,

Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Miss Ruth Henderson

Leaders

Kalendars for 1913

A limited number of Christ Church Kalendars may be purchased from Miss Mary Dahl or from the Verger at thirty cents a piece. These Kalendars mark the seasons for the Christian year, giving the Saints Day and Festivals in their appropriate ecclesiastical colors. There is also printed on the back the proper lessons appointed to be read on Sundays and Holy Days throughout the year. The supply last year was easily exhausted and all who wish a Kalendar for 1913 are advised to purchase at once.

Sunday School Christmas Service

The Sunday School is practicing the Christmas Carols which will be sung at the Sunday School Christmas service which will be held in the Church on the Sunday after Christmas, Dec. 29th, at three-thirty in the afternoon. The scholars will assemble in the Parish House at three o'clock and will march from there in procession into the Church. Addresses to the school will be given by the Superintendent, Mr. George T. Morgan and the Rev. Mr. Gernand.

The parents and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to this service.

The Sunday School Christmas Entertainment

The Christmas Entertainment for the Main and Intermediate Schools will be held in the Parish House on Friday evening, December 27th. A special "entertainer" has been engaged for that evening and an interesting program is promised to all the scholars. Of course old Santa Claus will be present to remember each member of the school.

The Primary Department will hold its Christmas Entertainment in the afternoon of the same day, (Friday December 27th,) at half past three in the Parish House. A letter has been received, stating that Santa Claus has already prepared his presents to give to "each good little boy and girl of Christ Church Primary Department." Santa Claus is expected to arrive promptly at half past three and will remain about one hour. So every little boy and girl must be promptly on time. Bring with you your mother and father and room will be made for them.

Envelope Subscribers

Will persons in arrears in their envelope subscriptions kindly place in their envelopes the amounts due at their earliest convenience? The support of the Parish is entirely dependent on the rental of pews and the envelope subscriptions and payment on the part of parishioners allows the Warden to meet promptly the financial obligations of the Parish.

Musical Service**Christmas Day, Dec. 25th, 1912**

Processional Hymn 49—"O come, all ye faithful" - J. Reading
Venite Chant - Dr. W. Crotch
Te Deum in E flat A. H. Brewer
Jubilate in E flat A. H. Brewer
Introit Hymn 60—"Angels from the realms of glory" - H. Smart
Kyrie in F - T. Tertius Noble
Gloria Tibi in F T. Tertius Noble
Office Hymn 51—"Hark the herald-angels sign" Mendelssohn
Offertory Anthem—"Sing, O Heavens," B. Tours
Sanctus in F - T. Tertius Noble
Hymn 225—"Bread of the World" J. S. B. Hodges
Hymn 220—"Draw nigh and take" A. H. Brown

Gloria in Excelsis in F T. Tertius Noble
Retrocessional Hymn 59—"It came upon the midnight clear" R. S. Willis

Sunday, Dec. 29th, 11 A. M.

Processional Hymn 49—"O come, all ye faithful" - J. Reading
Venite Chant - W. Savage
Te Deum in E flat A. H. Brewer
Jubilate in E flat A. H. Brewer
Introit Hymn 60—"Angels from the realms of glory" - H. Smart
Kyrie in F - T. Tertius Noble
Gloria Tibi in F T. Tertius Noble
Office Hymn 51—"Hark the herald-angels sing" - Mendelssohn
Offertory Anthem—"O come, Redeemer of Mankind" J. E. West
Retrocessional Hymn 59—"It came upon the midnight clear" R. S. Willis
3.30 P. M.

Sunday School Carol Service. No Evening Service.

Women's Missionary Society

(Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions)

A meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House on Friday afternoon, January 10th, at half past three o'clock. This will be a very important meeting and every woman in the Parish is urged to be present. Missionary work for the Epiphany Season and for Lent will be planned, and interesting speakers are expected to be present to give important information about the work in the missionary fields.

New Year's Eve Midnight Service

A service will be held on New Year's Eve in Christ Church, beginning at eleven o'clock.

The Church will be open all evening for prayer and devotion. The Chimes will peal forth their usual New Year's greeting, immediately after the service at the beginning of the New Year.

Sunday, Jan. 5th, 1913, 11 A. M.

Processional Hymn 311—"Ancient of days" - T. A. Jeffery
Introit Hymn 661—"As pants the wearied heart" Mendelssohn
Kyrie in F - T. Tertius Noble
Gloria Tibi in F T. Tertius Noble
Office Hymn 418—"O God, our help in ages past" - W. Croft
Offertory Anthem—"Break forth into joy" - H. Alex. Matthews
Sanctus in F - T. Tertius Noble
Benedictus que venit in F T. Tertius Noble
Hymn 220—"Draw nigh and take" A. H. Brown

Gloria in Excelsis in F T. Tertius Noble
Retrocessional Hymn 205—"From glory unto glory" B. Tours
7.45 P. M.

Processional Hymn 540—"Once in royal David's city" H. J. Gauntlett
Psalter Fifth Evening—Chants by Goss, Hopkins and Macfarren
Magnificat in A Geo. C. Martin
Nunc Dimittis in A Geo. C. Martin
Prayer Hymn 325—"Light of those" (ver. 1,3,4) - Beethoven
Office Hymn 65—"As with gladness men of old" - C. Kocher
Offertory Anthem—"There were shepherds" - B. Tours
Retrocessional Hymn 66—"Brightest and best" - S. Webbe

Choir Notes

Special musical services, at which various cantatas, appropriate to the different seasons of the church, which started on Dec. 1st, with "The Advent" Schaecker, will be continued until spring. The next to be sung will be "The Life Everlasting" by H. Alex. Matthews (a Germantown composer) which will be sung Jan. 12th, at the evening service.

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EDITORIAL

Ye, Sages Three!

Susie M. Best

"Ye, Sages Three a-gazing

Upon the heavens afar,
Why seem ye so illumined?"
(Behold! we see His Star!)"

"Ye Sages Three a-faring

Across the desert wild,
Why do ye dare such dangers?"
(“We go to seek the Child!”)

"Ye Sages Three a-laden

With Treasures manifold,
What Lord is worth this largess?"
(“The King by seers foretold!”)

"Ye Sages Three a-kneeling

Before the cattle-stall,
Who's this so light-enhaloed?"
(“The Saviour of us all!”)

Lippincotts Magazine

We promised a monthly report of Parish receipts and expenditures and hoped to have it for this issue but after consultation with the Accounting Warden, it being necessary to originate and adopt a form that would be permanent, it was decided to publish the first showing in the January number.

We publish in this issue a Poem, written by our good Rector, and first published in the "Chimes" of June, 1903 but now set to music as a Hymn. The expense of making plate is borne by a few friends who wish to pay him a personal compliment and do him honor at this Christmas season, although the Hymn is of the Ascension season.

Cannot you help the Periodical Club? Most of us are overwhelmed these days, and our houses cluttered up, by the rapid accumulation of the monthly and weekly journals bought or sent us. Notify, or send to, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Librarian, who knows where they are badly wanted and will be welcome. Read the report published on another page of this issue.

In the November issue we commented upon the cost of publication and necessity of obtaining more subscriptions. While some 20 odd have since then been obtained by personal solicitation, the unsolicited subscriptions total 6. We printed 600 copies; not fifty are left and our total number of subscriptions is now 82. There are over 500 communicants in Christ Church Parish.

60 cents per mail; 50 cents unmailed, and your own price if you cannot afford the full amount.

The Rector wishes notice called to the inoperative societies and expresses a desire that where no work is being done, as shown by repeated failures to report, they be removed from the list and be considered non-existing. It is certainly much better to concentrate on a few live, working and workable societies than have a number that exist but in name. Fallstaff's army but excites ridicule.

Several of the Societies in the Parish are preparing to give entertainments in the Parish House, immediately after Christmas for the benefit of the Parish House fund. Our Church people should encourage these young people in their efforts to contribute toward this Fund by purchasing tickets and patronizing the entertainments.

Hymn

by

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt.



J. H. S., Op. 116.

1. O Sav - iour dear, whose work on earth Is fin - ished and com - plete,
2. With - out Thy words, Thy lov - ing face, The world is dark and drear;

Who now as - cends a - bove the skies To Thy great mer - cy seat;
But Thou hast prom - ised us to send A Com - fort - er to cheer

Who taught Thy Church these for - ty days With doc - trine from on high,
And guide our way in - to the truth, And light our path be - low;

O gen - tle Je - su, bend Thine ear And list - en to our cry.
O gen - tle Je - su hear our pray'r, That we Thy will may know. A - men.

3 Thy words, O Lord, are life and truth,
Thy Flesh and Blood alone
Can feed these hungry souls of ours
And for our sins atone.
Send us Thy Holy Comforter,
That Sacrifice to plead;
O gentle Jesu hear our prayer
And help us in our need.

4 O Saviour dear, Who now in heaven
Doth hear us when we pray,
May we in heart and mind ascend
And be with Thee alway,
And when Thou call'st us to resign
What here we call our own,
O gentle Jesu hear our prayer
And lead us safely home.

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We are rich only through what we give, and poor only through what we receive.

The following poem, composed by our fellow parishioner of Christ Church, Mr. Washington VanDusen, appears in one of the leading magazines. We publish it, by permission, in the "Chimes" as appropriate for this Christmas season.

The Prince of Peace

(By Washington Van Dusen)

The smile of peace is on the land,
Where castle walls were wont to stand,
And where the clash of arms did sound
Now flowers hide the battle-ground;
And olives crown the hills to-day,
The blooming hills that seem to say
All war and strife will pass away.

Syria's fortresses lie low,
But, as of old, the lillies blow;
Her ancient towns in ruins lie,
But there's a light will never die;
For Jesus lives, and everywhere
His spirit charms the very air,
And makes the land He trod more fair.

All ills that mankind ever knew
In Palestine took root and grew,
Yet Jesus came with truth to found
His kingdom on the bloody ground;
To hold an olive branch and pray
The coming of a better day,
When war and strife will pass away.
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*In his Dictionary of the Bible, Dr. Smith alludes to the fortresses in ruins, as one of the main features of the Holy Land.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

Special Request

I am very anxious that every member of the Parish shall take a personal interest in the service, mentioned elsewhere in this issue, which will be held in Christ Church, on the first Sunday morning after the Epiphany, January 12th. George Gordon King, Esq. Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Church, has most kindly accepted my invitation to come over from New York to speak to our people on the subject of the Missions of the Church. Mr. King's wide experience for many years as a prominent man of affairs in the City of New York and lately, the magnanimous surrender which he has made, to give his time to the Church in the cause of Missions, entitle him to the thoughtful and appreciative attention of all who have at heart the uplift of mankind. Mr. King will speak at the Morning Service in Christ Church, Sunday, January 12th. I ask, as a personal request, that every member of Christ Church, who can possibly do so, will be present at this service and, also, will endeavor to bring others.

I hope that there will be a cordial response on the part of all to this request.

The Rector wishes to call attention to all unconfirmed persons and others in the Parish, who desire information in regard to the Episcopal Church, that he will begin a course of informal instruction for minors on Friday afternoon, January 10th, and Wednesday evening, January 15th, for adults to which he issues a cordial invitation to all to attend. The Rector may be seen personally after any service or by appointment.

The Season of Lent begins early this year. Before the next monthly issue of the "Chimes" shall have appeared Septuagesima Sunday will have come and gone. This Sunday comes three weeks before Ash Wednesday, which, this year, occurs on February 5th. In the Septuagesima Season the Church enters the penumbra of her Lenten Eclipse and all her services are shadowed with the sombre hue of her approaching season of fasting and prayer. The name of this Sunday (Septuagesima) implies that it is seventy days to (the last day of) the feast of the Resurrection; next Sunday it will be Sexagesima, in round numbers, sixty days; then Quinquagesima Sunday, fifty days; and then comes Lent, or forty days to the great Feast of Easter. Thus, we have turned our back upon dear old Christmas and the group of holy days that followed it; and setting our faces toward the more sober, but still more glorious, light of Easter, we begin to number the days of preparation, which, if duly observed, will fit us to keep the Paschal as the Apostle commands, "not with the old leaven but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

Nor is the way in which the Church counts these days to be regarded as teaching nothing. It is the way of the world to reckon advancing time by addition; but the Church now gives us seventy days, and gently hints to us how life is passing as she bids us daily to subtract one, that so "we may number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom."

In these seventy days, we thus see a striking emblem of our three score

years and ten, a model of the Christian life, which passes through shadows and tears and trials to the Resurrection. While we persevere through Lent, the sunrise of Easter and rejoicing to find the appointed days diminish as that Day draws near, we learn also to pass the few days of our sojourning in the world, feeling every day that we have one day less to live, keeping the Great Day always in view, and singing with the Psalmist, "when I wake up in Thy presence, I shall be satisfied."

Thoughts on the Epiphany

The Feast of the Epiphany follows immediately after Christmas. It occurs twelve days after the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord and has, therefore, often been called "Twelfth Night." Epiphany is a Greek word meaning "showing forth," or "manifestation," and commemorates the occasion when the Christ-Child was made manifest unto the three wise men, representatives of the Gentile world, who saw His Star in the East and traveled from afar to seek the King of Kings, that they might fall down and worship Him.

We, in these western lands, ought to commemorate the manifestation of our Saviour to the Gentiles with great thankfulness, because it is due to this great fact, that we, "Who dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth," have had brought to us the Gospel of the Kingdom of God and have enjoyed the blessed privileges of the Christ and His Church.

In His infinite goodness He was pleased to offer salvation to all mankind and to receive all humble supplicants as objects of His mercy.

"Blessed be God's Holy Name for that glorious Light, which dispersed itself through the dark regions of this world; which dispelled the thick clouds of ignorance and idolatry, of folly and vanity; which directed mankind to the true and most worthy object of their worship, and raised their nature to its utmost improvement.

The mercies of God seemed for ages to be pent up within the narrow banks of the Jewish Church. Beyond this all was desolate, it was a land of drought and of the shadow of death, lying waste from generation to generation. And when at length the "mystery which from the foundation of the world had been hid in God," began to disclose itself in the awakening of the Gentiles and their earnest inquiry for the Bread of Life, such was the ignorance of the Christians at Jerusalem that even Apostles were reluctant to enter on the work, while the whole Church was prepared to condemn the enterprise. It was with unfeigned astonishment, no less than with pious joy, that they exclaimed, when at length the will of God as to the conversion of the heathen was fully understood, "Then hath God to the Gentiles also granted repentance unto life."

We see then why the calling of the Gentiles should be made the occasion of a Christian festival.

Through the sufferings and the sacrifices and the martyrdom of others, the blessed privileges of the Gospel of Christ have come down to us. How eager we should be, therefore, to impart these blessings to others, who still "live in darkness and in the shadow of death." "Freely have ye received, freely give." This Epiphany Season, which sets forth the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, is the great Missionary Season of the Church; it should impress upon the mind and heart of every follower of Christ his duty and privilege to let his light shine out to others, to give and work and pray God that all men everywhere may seek after Him and find Him; that all nations may be brought into the fold, and all heathens into His inheritance; and shortly to accomplish the number of His elect and to hasten His Kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar For January

January 1st—Circumcision.
January 5th—Second Sunday after Christmas.
January 6th—Epiphany
January 12th—First Sunday after Epiphany.
January 19th—Septuagesima.
January 25th—Conversion of St. Paul.
January 26th—Sexagesima.

The Bishop has notified the Rector that he will (D. V.) visit Christ Church, March 12th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation.

A beautiful stained glass window has been placed in the western porch of the Church in memory of the two little sons of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver C. Lippincott. The window represents the Saviour in a sitting posture and in his arms are two little children looking up into His face. Beneath the figures are the words: "Of such is the Kingdom of God." To the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dudley Lippincott, December 24, 1906, August, 1907; and Oliver Clarence Lippincott, Jr., September 8, 1910, September 5th, 1911.

The window is from the celebrated D'Ascenzo Studios and is fully up to the high standard of art and workmanship for which this firm is justly known.

Appreciation is desired to be expressed to a number of subscribers through the envelopes who are gradually making up their arrears. It is not the wish of the Treasurer to push any person for payment but some persons, no doubt have overlooked the fact that they are in arrears and it is hoped that all who are able to do so will please place in their envelopes the amounts due as soon as may be convenient.

Mother's Meeting

Since our last meeting we have packed three barrels of clothing of all kinds, not old, but many of the articles being very nice and well made, including also, shoes, hats, games, toys, etc., which we know will make many hearts, small and large, glad this Christmas-tide in those Southern mountains. These have all come from interested kind friends. We want to thank these kind friends who have so generously and promptly responded to our appeals. Also one kind friend (who is continuously kind) for shipping our barrels without expense to the Mother's Meeting.

Our Annual Dinner will be on Tuesday, January 7th, in the Parish House at three o'clock, and we shall be most grateful to our friends who in the past have given so generously if they will, this year repeat their donations of money, turkey, ham, cake, celery and anything that in this line may suggest to them something that may appeal to the "inner man."

Our Mothers have worked with such zest and good-will and are so interested in all that we want to accomplish (that it is a real pleasure to have this Annual good time).

Our Mr. Gernand we include as one of our dependable friends and his presence, when he can join us, is most thoroughly appreciated.

Tuesday morning, January 7th, we will gratefully receive any donation at the Parish House.

With a Happy New Year to all, and God's blessing we are

Gratefully yours,

Mother's Meeting

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club is entering upon its 25th year of work, and Jan. is the month in which we reap our greatest harvest and at the same time have our greatest discouragements. In this month many new subscriptions are taken and also many dropped. Will you not, good people, let us have some of your wealth of reading? The Librarian cannot reach every one, so will you not reach her?

You are also urged to inform the Librarian of any magazine that you are discontinuing to send away, also do not exchange one magazine for another without notifying the Librarian.

The Church Periodical Club is also packing a box of books to go to St. Andrews School at Sewanee, Tenn. The boys are reading nothing because they have read everything the school possesses. Will you not notify the Librarian of any books of any kind, secular, religious or novels, and of course boys books and school books, maps, etc., that you may have, before the 10th of January. Those that the committee may deem unsuited for the boys, can be exchanged for others. The call is important. Will you not respond?

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Confirmation Classes

Classes for Confirmation are being formed and the Rector asks all persons who are desirous of being confirmed or who wish information on the subject to give their names to him as soon as possible. He will be pleased to confer with any person after Church service or by appointment and he will gladly loan literature on the Church or other religious subject to any who may apply. Lectures on Confirmation will begin on Friday afternoon, January 10th, at four o'clock for minors and for adults on Wednesday evening, January 15th, at eight o'clock. These lectures will be held in the Main Room in the Parish House and will continue every Friday afternoon and Wednesday evening until the Bishop's Visitation, March 12th.

All are invited to these lectures, whether they have been confirmed or not. Those who have been confirmed and may wish to renew their confirmation vows, as well as those who are newly seeking information on the subject will be cordially welcomed to these lectures. Minors, Friday afternoons at four o'clock. Adults, Wednesday evenings at eight o'clock in the Parish House.

**The Sunday Morning Nickel
Is It Yours?**

The other day a man went to church. It was a beautiful Sunday morning. He was well dressed and at peace with the world. The church was filled, the music was well rendered, the sermon interesting and inspiring. He was glad that he was at church and was greatly satisfied with himself. The offering was received and he put a nickel in the plate that Sunday morning.

The next day he went down town and before he arrived at his office he had his boots blacked. It cost him five cents, and he gave the bootblack a nickel as a tip; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

As he sat in the boot black's chair, he bought a newspaper for a penny and he handed the newsboy a nickel and told him to keep the change; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

During the morning, feeling the need of refreshments, he went out to get a drink. Meeting a friend, he took him with him, and when he had paid for what he had had, he gave the barkeeper a dime as a tip; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

When luncheon time came, as he had worked hard and felt rather hungry, he treated himself to an unusually good meal. When he arose from the table he gave the waiter fifty cents as a fee; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

In the afternoon he bought some cigars, and as there was a friend with him, in a spirit of pride, he paid twice as much for one for his friend as he would if he had been alone; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

At the close of the day he went to get a shave, after which he gave the barber a ten cent gratuity; and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

He had stood up on that Sunday morning with the rest of the congregation when the offering was presented

and he had joined lustily, for he had a fine tenor voice, in the singing of the offertory sentence, "All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee;" and he had put a nickel in the plate on Sunday morning.

Now, to whom did he give this nickel on Sunday morning? Was the favored recipient his newsboy, his bootblack, his barkeeper, his waiter, his cigar dealer, his barber? O no! This person to whom he gave the nickel which he had put in the plate on that Sunday morning WAS HIS GOD!

—Cyrus Townsend Brady, D. D.

A Precious Legacy

Persons who have not had the advantages of the beautiful service of our church in their earlier years often become in their latter life, when this privilege is enjoyed by them, the most enthusiastic admirers of the church service and the most devoted and loyal members of the church. They are able from their past experience to contrast the barrenness and simpleness of other forms with the richness and fullness of the grand historic liturgy of the church. The following extract from the Memoirs of Professor Austin Phelps, the scholarly Congregational preacher is a case at point:

"The Liturgy of the Episcopal Church has become very precious to me. The depth of its meaning it seems to me nobody can fathom who has not experienced some great sorrow. We have lost much in parting with the prayers of Old Mother Church, and what have we gained in their place? I do not feel in extemporaneous prayer the deep undertone of devotion which rings out from the old collects of the Church like the sounds of ancient bells. I longed for and prayed for, and, worst of all, waited for, some sublime and revolutionary change of heart; and when that was, as a fact of a child's experience, I have not the remotest idea. If I had been trained in the Episcopal Church, I should at the time have been confirmed and entered upon a conscious and religious life, and grown up into the Christian living of the Episcopalian type."

A Greeting to Young Men

A New Year Greeting to the Young men and boys of Christ Church Parish. We greet you in Christ's name, and wish for you a bright, happy and prosperous New Year. The clergy are deeply interested in you, brothers, and are going to help you make this year the brightest and best in your lives. How?

First of all by appealing to you to begin the New Year with a heart in full allegiance to your Lord. He has done much indeed for you. Can you count the blessings of the past year? No! But what have you done for Him? Very little, doubtless. You can't retrieve the past. It is gone forever. But you can redeem the present, and fill the future with purpose. Let this be your purpose then, "Loyalty to Christ." That's a grand resolution, isn't it? Make it! Keep it! And it will return you joy.

Secondly, every Sunday in the year 1913 write in your engagement book "9.45 A. M., Y. M. B. C." What does that mean? It means you are a member of the Young Men's Bible Class of Christ Church, and intend to be on hand at every session. A duty and a privilege. If you are not already a member, you are missing much. Get busy and become one. It's not difficult. Just drop in any Sunday morning, and somebody will grip your hand, and you will be at home in a jiffy. "Remember the Bible Class next Sunday," said the Curate, parting from one of our splendid young fellows one evening. "Sure," he replied. That's the Spirit, brothers. Cultivate it!

And thirdly, don't go for a good time where you wouldn't take your mother. You will regret it and you know it. A word to the wise is sufficient. Brothers, God wants you to have a good time, with an emphasis on the "good," and Christ Church means to help you get it, in the right way.

So keep your ears open for future announcements. They will interest you, and also your friends. Tell them!

Young men of Christ Church, A happy New Year. And this is our wish for you. H. W. G.

Missionary Service in Christ Church

A Missionary Service will be held in this Church on Sunday morning, January 12th, at eleven o'clock. The people of this vicinity will have the privilege of hearing George Gordon King, Esq., of New York, give an address on the Missionary work of the Church. Mr. King is the treasurer of the Board of Missions and as a layman, and a business man, will present the subject of missions from a practical and business standpoint. In the Gospel for that day—the first Sunday after the Epiphany—occur these words of Christ, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"

A cordial invitation is extended to all persons in this vicinity to attend this Missionary Service, Sunday morning, January 12th.

The Weekly Pledge

It may seem like a small thing for the Church to set itself the task of securing a contribution from each one of its members and to collect the same every week. But that is just what some of the big corporations of the country are doing. One of the captains of industry, the head of one of the great life insurance companies of this country, recently stated that his company has 9,600,000 policies on which agents of the company collect each week five, ten or twenty cents. The children of this generation are wise in their generation, and the children of light, we must insist, should learn from the example they set. The seas and mountains are made up of grains of sand and drops of water. If the Church will gather from the millions of her people weekly the tributes of their hearts, the little streams will flow into great rivers and fill all treasuries of the Kingdom as the waters fill the great deep.—Selected.

It is in the minor actions of our daily life that our true character is revealed.

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This is encouraging, but we would like to double this number and must have at least 75 more subscriptions to carry us safely through the year. We printed 800 copies of the Christmas issue and inserted about 200 subscription cards in free copies given out in the vestibule after service, but as yet not one signed card has been returned to us.

Services on Epiphany

Services on the Feast of the Epiphany, Monday, January 6th, will be Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

Service and sermon at eleven o'clock.

Statement for November, 1912

To Balance on Hand Nov. 1st,	
Offertory 1st Sunday in Nov.	\$75.15
Offertory 2d Sunday in Nov. . .	68.25
Offertory 3d Sunday in Nov., . .	65.42
Offertory 4th Sunday in Nov. . .	58.91
Offertory Thanksgiving Day	
(Episcopal Hospital)	34.03
Int. rec'd. Cheltenham Trust Co. . .	\$ 3.44
Pledges to P. H. Bldg. Fund	159.73
Interest received Cheltenham Trust Co.	
	\$ 3.44
Pledges to Parish House Building	
Fund	159.73
Pew Rents	91.83
Other contributions	17.25

Total \$272.25
Total \$583.15

By Salaries for Nov.	\$431.16
By Insurance	16.00
By Laundry	2.97
By Stationery	2.60
By Lighting	11.00

Total \$463.73
Balance on Hand \$119.42

Total \$583.15

Amount required to pay all fixed expenses (exclusive of Appropriations for Missions) per Sunday \$138.50

William R. Pugh
Accounting Warden

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary is very happy in having been able, out of its little band of twelve, to send a Christmas box containing about 21 toys, and an infants outfit to Rev. Mr. Clearland, of Stanardsville, Va. This will go a little way towards making a merry Christmas among the children in his isolated as well as impecunious Parish. Each one of the Juniors contributed something toward this box and the baby's outfit was made entirely by them.

At our next meeting, which will be in the New Year, we will plan some new work, in which we hope all our Juniors will be deeply interested.

L. J. J.

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EDITORIAL

The Bridge of Sociability

"If after kirk you bide a wee,
There's some would like to speak to ye;
If after kirk you rise and flee,
We'll all seem cold and stiff to ye.
That one who's in the seat wi' ye
Is stranger here than you, maybe.
All here have got their fears and cares;
Add ye your soul unto our prayers;
Be ye our angel unawares."

Make Christ your companion. Read
Him every day. Talk with him hour
by hour and He will create all things
new for you as He did for Paul. No
power on earth could overcome Peter
or any modern disciple who has had
experience with the risen Christ.

Dare to look up to God and say:
"Make use of me for the future as
Thou wilt. I am of the same mind; I
am one with Thee. I refuse nothing
which seems good to Thee. Lead me
whither Thou wilt. Clothe me in
whatever dress Thou wilt."—Epictetus.

Money cannot save a soul, but it can
open doors of service. It can open
gates into fields where souls can be
saved.

We now publish in this number the
first of the monthly statements from
Accounting Warden showing receipts,
expenses and the amount required to
pay all fixed expenses for the month,
hoping it will lead to a feeling of per-
sonal interest and responsibility and an
individual effort to at least raise the
necessary amount as stated.

The Church was again this year
beautifully decorated for the Christ-
mas season, the work being done by
some of the young men of the Church
who deserve the appreciation and
thanks of the congregation. This
work is difficult and took two entire
evenings up to midnight.

The Editor welcomes suggestions as
to matters of interest to Church or Par-
ish and, if answer is requested, will
either do so through the "Chimes" or
by personal letter direct.

He also welcomes contributions to
be inserted at the discretion of Editor
or Rector and limited space permitting.
"The Bridge of Sociability" printed
elsewhere, was sent by one who also
sent "little sentences to fill in when
Editor is hurried." We thank her for
these and for the thought and will be
glad to hear from others.

Why not use the "Chimes" as a
medium of free advertising for the mu-
tual benefit of the members of the
congregation and Parish. There are
many among us who have some pro-
fession or business, valuable at times
to each of us, and we would rather turn
our patronage to the members of
Christ Church than to others if we but
knew whom to call upon. Under a
proper heading and with the Rectors
assent, we will publish the names, ad-
resses and occupation of those who
believe we can be of use to them in se-
curing work.

We suggest a few occupations.
Book-keeping and Accounting; Ad-
dressing and Collecting; Massage,
Manicuring; Hair Dressing; Nurses;
Piano tuning; Stenographer; Cooking;
Preserving; Gardening; House and
Rug Cleaning; Teaching; Music; Gen-
eral work.

Drift Toward the Episcopal Church To the Editor of the "Chimes":

It is a rare occurrence for the daily or
secular press to comment intelligently on
Church affairs, except when something
sensational is occupying the public at-
tention. For this reason I take plea-
sure in sending you the accompanying
editorial from the Memphis "Com-
mercial Appeal," in reference to seces-
sion of certain Episcopal clergymen to
the Church of Rome. These figures
give the story of the other side. You
might publish it in the "Chimes" and
keep it conveniently near when one
speaks of our "Romanish tendencies."

B. M. C.

A few years ago several Episcopal
priests withdrew from their Church to
join the Roman Catholic Church, and
this incident created the impression
that there was a drift away from Epis-
copalianism. The Rev. William C.
Richardson, Rector of St. James
Church, Philadelphia, made some in-
vestigation on this point and he finds
that there is a decided drift toward
Episcopalianism. He wrote to 96 Epis-
copal Bishops and received answers
from 88 of them. He asked them to
state how many clergymen from other
denominations had come over to the
Episcopal Church during the year and
he publishes the result in the Southern
Churchman.

6 Methodist in two years; another 11
Methodists and 6 Congregationalists
in twelve years; another 7 Methodists
and one Baptist since 1903, and an-
other 300 Roman Catholic laymen in
four years.

These facts, taken in connection
with recent statistics showing the
steady growth in the number of com-
municants in the Episcopal Church,
prove that the influence of this relig-
ious organization is steadily growing
and that it was never so strong as it
is now.

Just stand aside, and watch yourself
go by;

Think of yourself as "he" instead of
"I."

Pick flaws; find fault; forget the man
is you,

And strive to make your estimate
ring true.

The faults of others then will dwarf
and shrink,

Love's chain grow stronger by one
mighty link,

When you with "he" as substitute for
"I"

Have stood aside and watched your-
self go by.

Stricklan W. Gillillan

Meeting of Women's Auxiliary (Women's Missionary Society)

A meeting of the Women's Auxiliary
will be held in the Parish House on
Friday afternoon, Jan. 10th, at half past
3 o'clock. This will be a very important
meeting. Every woman in the Parish
is urged to be present. Missionary
work for the Epiphany Season and for
Lent will be planned. Every woman
who has been baptized in the name of
the Trinity is a member of the Mis-
sionary Society of the Church. The
command of our Lord to all His dis-
ciples was: "Go ye out into all the
world and preach the Gospel to every
creature." Every baptized person is
therefore a Missionary. Will not every
woman bear this in mind and be pre-
sent to help at the meeting to be held
on Friday afternoon, Jan. 10th, at half
past three?

It appears that 93 ministers from
other denominations were received or
ordained during the year and that
there are 36 applicants pending, while
a number of applicants, upon careful
examination, were refused. Of those
received or ordained, 28 were Metho-
dists, 10 Presbyterians, 13 Congrega-
tionalists, 12 Baptists, 8 Roman Ca-
tholics, 5 Lutherans, 2 Dutch Reform-
ed, and 5 of various minor denomina-
tions. Among the applications pending
9 were from Presbyterians, 7 from Me-
thodists, 6 from Congregationalists, 3
from Baptists, and the rest "scatter-
ing."

It appears that the figures for the
year are not exceptional. For instance,
one Bishop writes that he has taken in

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
{ 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

The schedule of special Lenten Services will be found on another page of this issue of the "Chimes." The hours of the services have been arranged, as far as possible, to meet every class of people within the Parish. The early Celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday has been appointed at half-past seven o'clock, so that business people and others may attend before going to their work and thus avail themselves on Ash Wednesday of a proper beginning of the Season of Lent. The mid-day and afternoon services are put at an hour to meet the largest number of Parishioners who remain in Germantown during the day. The Wednesday night services are especially intended for those who are not able to attend at an earlier hour in the day. It is earnestly hoped that every person in the Parish will select certain services which they will endeavor to attend each week and will not allow anything—except a most serious cause—to interfere with the conscientious discharge of a solemn duty. I am very anxious that this Lenten Season shall be a real spiritual help to every member in the Parish. Let each one of us try to make it such. Parents! Set the example to the children in your household; and let every man, woman and child in Christ Church endeavor during this Lent, to develop by God's help a truer Christian character.

A speaker at one of the noon-day Lenten services began his address with

these words: What are you driving at? Then in his forceful manner he emphasized the purpose of Lent as the striving after the correction of some particular fault; bending every energy of our manhood in one direction. The typical American in business is successful because he is putting forth his effort to do some one thing well—persistently driving away at it.

The mere performance of Lenten duties in a vague, general way is not enough. Be definite! What is your one great fault? Find it out and then "go at it" and, by God's help, conquer it! If you do not consider that you have any faults, then ask some one else what your faults are. Your neighbor knows them; perhaps, if you ask him, he will be frank enough to tell you. If he will not, then, better still, go apart into some quiet place by yourself—into your bed-room, or into Church; there read and picture before your mind the only One True, Perfect, Life; His purity; His unselfishness; His forgiveness; His suffering; His patience; His steadfastness; His sacrifice; His love. Measure yourself along side of that One Perfect Life and, I am sure, every honest man will realize how small and mean and full of sin he is and the wonderful possibilities there are in store for him to become truly great and good by keeping near to that Life, that lighteth every man who cometh into the world. I hope that, with some such definite purpose as that—every member of this Parish will strive to

keep this Holy Season of Lent. Let each one ask himself this Lent—**what am I driving at?** And then, seeking some definite faults, some definite failure, some definite sin—endeavor by faithful, conscientious effort to overcome it and, by God's help, to conquer it.

The Vestry will soon issue a letter to the members of the Congregation, setting forth the financial condition and the needs of the Parish. It is earnestly desired that not only the customary deficit in the current expenses should be fully met at this coming Easter but that an extraordinary effort be made to greatly reduce the debt on the Parish House. This debt can be very soon wiped entirely out, if our people, one and all, will determine, even at the greatest personal sacrifice, to do it. At the Sixtieth Anniversary of our Parish, held last fall, a generous offering of about a thousand dollars was given by the members of CHIMES.

THREE Christ Church to go toward the extinguishment of the debt. This Lent let us make it at least double that amount over and above the amount asked for to meet the current expenses. Surely, the same spirit of self-sacrifice which the people of Christ Church have always shown in the past, will not be lacking during this coming Lent and Easter Day! Let every one make a heroic effort to cancel the Parish house debt of \$5000.00 on Easter Day.

There are a number of persons in this community, who attend the services of the Church with more or less regularity, but have been putting off from year to year the very important duty of being confirmed. For some trivial reason they are refusing to make the decision, which, when once made and acted upon, will mean so much to their own future happiness and to the happiness of others. They are denying themselves a most blessed privilege which God intended and wants them to enjoy and which will always be to them a source of spiritual strength and joy.

How much they would gain by putting themselves under the full privi-

lege of the Church of Jesus Christ! How much good they would do to others by setting an example of manliness in enlisting in the service of Christ and His Church!

It is desired to make the Sunday evening services in Christ Church during Lent especially interesting and helpful.

Several of the best preachers in the city have kindly consented to speak and not only all of our own people should endeavor to be present but let every member of Christ Church constitute himself a practical missionary, and bring others to Church with him. Here is an opportunity for every one. Let this be the endeavor of every Vestryman, every Christian man and woman in this Parish during this Lent—to interest some one else and bring them to the evening service in Christ Church.

Familiar, inspiring hymns will be sung, a practical Gospel sermon will be preached and the service will last one hour.

Let this, then, be the practical Lenten work of every member of Christ Church—to bring at least one person, each Sunday, to the hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Why Be Confirmed.

In order that I may be a strong Christian. In order that I may obey God's Will. In order that I may become filled with God the Holy Ghost. In order that, realizing in a deeper way every day that my body is God's temple, and that my heart is a shrine of His Holy Spirit, I may grow as my spirit responds to the appeals of that Holy Spirit, and daily increase in the fruits of that same Spirit, more and more, until I come unto His everlasting kingdom.—Selected.

The question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had means, time, influence, and educational advantages but what he will do with the things he has.

H. W. Mabie

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion } Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Lenten Kalendar

Feb. 5th—Ash Wednesday.
Feb. 9th—First Sunday in Lent.
Feb. 16th—Second Sunday in Lent.
Feb. 23rd—Third Sunday in Lent.
Feb. 24th—St. Matthias.
Mar. 2nd—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
Mar. 9th—Fifth Sunday in Lent. (Passion).
Mar. 16th—Palm Sunday.
Mar. 20th—Maundy Thursday.
Mar. 21st—Good Friday.
Mar. 23rd—Easter Day.

The Lenten list of services will be found on page 6 of this issue of the "Chimes," together with a list of the special Sunday evening preachers.

This list of services should be kept so that it can readily be referred to by every member of the Parish.

Confirmation will be administered in this Church on Wednesday evening, March 12th. Instruction on Confirmation is now being given in the Parish House every Friday afternoon, at 4.15 for minors and on Friday evening at 8.00 o'clock for adults.

The Rector cordially invited all persons, whether they have been confirmed or not, to attend either of these instructions. He will be pleased to confer with any one personally on the subject after any service or by appointment.

Mr. LeRoy M. Rile has resigned as organist and choir master of Christ Church. Mr. Rile has been choir master for the past four years and given satisfaction. Owing to the failure of the Music Committee to select his successor he is to continue to rehearse with the choir until relieved. Miss Emily Colisson will act as temporary organist.

Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

The first meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church for the season of 1912-13 was held in the Parish House, on Friday, January 10th, at 3.30.

There were present as follows:

Mrs. Wm. N. Johnson	Miss Sally Y. Johnson
Mrs. T. H. Carmichael	Mrs. Phelps
Mrs. Cook	Mrs. Garrett
Mrs. Balshroune	Mrs. Robert Mogridge
Mrs. Henry H. Marot	Mrs. John H. Shinn
Mrs. J. M. Woodroffe	Mrs. George Morgan
Miss Bosile Chase	Miss Morgan
Mrs. T. P. Robinson	Mrs. Chas. Henry Arndt
Mrs. Henry Baremore	Mrs. H. C. Thompson
Mrs. Topliff Johnson	Mrs. VanDusen
Mrs. Walter Crowder	Mrs. J. I. Morrison
Mrs. Algernon Thacher	Mrs. C. B. Williams

Mr. Arndt opened the meeting with prayer and after the singing of a hymn, the Rector introduced Mr. Prevost, of the Alaskan field, as the speaker for the afternoon.

Mr. Prevost went briefly over some of the work done in that far away territory, bringing before us quite sharply the wonderfull advance made there in the last twenty years, changing almost complete isolation into instant communication. The great number of sand storms peculiar to some of the Alaskan districts causes much eye trouble; he had just received a letter from one of the medical missionaries, Miss Graves, who had recently gone to Tanana, asking for certain books on diseases of the eye. Mr. Prevost said that he would much appreciate it if these books could be sent. An immediate response to his appeal assured that the books would be sent at once.

The later part of the meeting was devoted to the election of officers for the remainder of the year. The following named persons were elected:
President—Miss Sally Johnson
Vice Pres.—Mrs. J. I. Morrison
Treasurer—Mrs. Henry H. Marot
Secretary—Mrs. Topliff Johnson

A motion was made to take up some specified work for the remainder of the Epiphany season and through the coming Lenten season. This was unanimously carried. Mrs. Garrett had several suggestions from Miss Emory, with whom she had communicated on this subject, also mentioned one of her own pet missions in Virginia. The vote lay between Virginia mountaineers and Alaska. Virginia carried the vote.

These meetings are to be held every Thursday morning from 10.30 to 12, and it is earnestly desired that every woman in the Parish will make it her conscientious duty to be present at as many meetings as possible.

A Purchasing Committee composed of Mrs. Shinn and Mrs. Carmichael was appointed to buy materials and these ladies spared no time in making the necessary preparation for the work to be done. Their purchases were most satisfactorily made at Strawbridge and Clothier's from which company they not only received a generous discount, but were presented with 32 yards of materials over and above their purchases.

A cutting committee took charge of these materials and put them into shape for the women to begin sewing on Thursday morning.

The cutting committee is as follows: Mrs. George Morgan, Mrs. P. T. Robinson, Mrs. H. C. Thompson. A machine was presented by Mrs. William Land, and Mrs. Cook kindly volunteered to do any of the stitching. These were received with much appreciation.

An Executive Committee to assist and advise the President, also to welcome new comers, was appointed as follows: Mrs. John H. Shinn, Mrs. T. H. Carmichael, Mrs. Keith Rodney, Mrs. Robert Mogridge.

Committees are to be appointed to represent Christ Church on the Foreign, Domestic, Indian and Colored Branches of the mission work at the monthly meetings at the Church House in order to keep abreast with the work that is being done.

Before closing, an offering was taken which proved to be sufficient to purchase the books for Mr. Prevost, buy material for our sewing guild and leave some still in the treasury to meet other worthy calls.

Notice will be given of the regular monthly meetings for business discussions and to hear reports from various committees of the work in the field.

The meeting adjourned with high hopes for more united interest and good work for the spread of the Gospel.

L. J. J.

Women's Auxiliary will hold its monthly meeting on the first Thursday in each month at 10.30 A. M., when the committee will make their reports and special speakers will be invited to address the meeting.

We hope to have with us on February 6th the Rev. Mr. Cleaveland, of Stanardsville, Va., to tell us of the works among the Virginia mountaineers for whom we are working.

Delegates from Christ Church to Diocesan Missions.

Indian Hope

Mrs. F. L. Donlevy, Mrs. H. H. Marot, Mrs. Topliff Johnson.

Domestic

Mrs. Charles Heyer, Mrs. J. L. Ritter, Mrs. H. L. Reed.

Foreign

Mrs. J. W. Crouder, Mrs. F. M. Brigham, Mrs. A. P. Stockwell.

Colored

Miss S. Y. Johnson, Mrs. K. R. Rodney, Mrs. C. H. Arndt.

Diocesan

Mrs. Robert Mogridge, Mrs. Henry S. Abel, Miss L. W. Fell.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club has just celebrated its 25th anniversary, which was held in the Church Missions House in New York.

The C. P. C. has also just completed its annual gift of books (sent to different parts of the diocese) to St. Andrews School at Sewanee, Tenn. Our Parish contributed 25 books.

The Librarian has just heard of a rumor that the C. P. C. had discontinued its work in this Parish. If you read the Church "Chimes" each month you will certainly see it is making a vigorous effort to live and is living. Call up Gtn. 3241 and you will find a ready address for any and all periodicals you are willing to send to those who have none.

Some one asks, "What magazines are wanted?" Answer, ALL MAGAZINES! Religious, secular, mechanical, agricultural, sporting and children's. Anything that will uplift, instruct, amuse or divert.

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The following are especially wanted by the Librarian as the contributor has ceased his subscription and it is too bad to destroy the recipients pleasure. 2 copies Literary Digest, 1 or more Current Opinion, Outlook, Good Housekeeping.

Many other people are patiently waiting to be supplied with your cast off magazines.

Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Librarian

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary to the Board of Missions has decided to take up some work for the children of Alaska, and intend to have by Easter a very fair showing for their efforts.

L. J. J.

Vestment Guild

The Vestment Guild had its regular monthly meeting on January 14th. Six of the ten members were present which enabled us to come to satisfactory conclusions as to the best way to keep up our supply of vestments for the choir.

The Lenten Meeting of the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Sts., on Monday, February 24th, at 2.30 P. M. The speakers will be the Bishops of Idaho, Eastern Oklahoma, South Carolina and the Bishop Suffragan of this Diocese.

Lenten Reading

The Board of Missions has issued a very interesting book entitled "Japan Advancing Whither," which is highly recommended to the members of the Church for Lenten reading.

By reading this book much information may be gained of the great work that is going on in the transformation of this mighty Empire, now so close to our shores and which is bound to play an important part in the history of our own land.

The Rector has ordered and received fifty copies of this book, and they may be purchased from the Verger at 70 cents a copy.

SERVICES IN LENT

Holy Communion	
Every Sunday	7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in Month	11.00 A. M.
Ash Wednesday	7.30 A. M., 11.00 A. M.
Every Wednesday	9.30 A. M.
St. Matthias (Feb. 24th)	9.30 A. M.
Maundy Thursday	8.00 P. M.

Sundays	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Morning Service, Sermon	11.00 A. M.
Children's Illustrated Service (Parish House)	4.45 P. M.
Evening Service—Special Preachers (See List Below)	7.45 P. M.

Ash Wednesday	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office, Sermon	11.00 A. M.
Litany	4.45 P. M.
Service and Address	8.00 P. M.

Mondays	
Evening Prayer	4.45 P. M.

Tuesdays	
Evening Prayer, Address	4.45 P. M.

Wednesdays	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer	4.45 P. M.
Service and Sermon	8.00 P. M.

Thursdays	
Evening Prayer	4.45 P. M.

Fridays	
Confirmation Lecture for Minors (In Parish House)	4.00 P. M.
Litany	4.45 P. M.
Confirmation Lectures for Adults (In Parish House)	8.00 P. M.

Saturdays	
Evening Prayer	4.45 P. M.
Services for Holy Week will be announced in next number of the "Chimes."	

Special Sunday Night Preachers

February 9th—The Rev. H. McKnight Moore	Rector Church of the Mediator
February 16th—The Rev. William T. Capers	Rector Church of the Holy Apostles
February 23rd—The Rev. H. Cresson McHenry	Associate Superintendent City Mission
March 2nd—The Rev. George J. Walenta	Rector Church of St. Simeon
March 9th—The Rev. Charles L. Hutchinson	Rector St. Clements Church
March 16th—The Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley	Rector St. Jude and the Nativity

Confirmation on Wednesday Evening March 12.
Person desiring to be confirmed or who wish information on this or kindred subjects are invited to see the Rector after any service or by appointment.

Young Men's Bible Class

The Young Men's Bible Class is growing rapidly. New members are coming in at the rate of two a Sunday. This is very encouraging. Next Sunday we shall be looking for you. May we expect you? Don't forget the hour, 9.45 A. M.

Howard W. Gernand

Statement for December, 1912

Bal. in Bank, Dec. 1st	\$119.42
Offeritory 1st Sunday	63.82
Offeritory 2nd Sunday	76.96
Offeritory 3rd Sunday	96.03
Offeritory 4th Sunday	103.00
Offeritory 5th Sunday	62.51
Christmas A. & I. Clergy	110.38
Contributions Episcopal Hos...	4.50
Mrs. Jefferies, Envelopes	65.00
Pew rents received	878.00

	\$1579.62
By Return of Loan	\$100.00
By Salaries	356.00
By Salaries, Choir	142.01
By Ins. on Parish House	53.13
By Work on Parish House	20.00
By Repairs to Organ	20.00
By Repairs to Church Bldg.	90.55
By printing, 60th Anniversary	43.24
By Hauling	7.50
By Hauling, Harp	4.00
By Music	15.20
By Printing	14.25
By Postage	1.00
By Sundry Supplies	11.10
By Lighting	11.20
By Sunday School	90.00
By Board of Missions	275.56

	\$1254.74
Bal. in Bank	324.88

\$1579.62

Amount required to pay all fixed expenses (exclusive of Apportionment) per Sunday \$138.50

The following bills are due and unpaid:

Celten Trust Co.	\$500.00
Sustentation Fund	39.86
Convocation Fund	190.00
Convention Fund	181.81
Indebtedness, Parish House	320.06
Coal Bill	349.75
Episcopal Hospital	40.50
Aged and Infirm Clergy	115.98

	\$1737.96
Unpaid pew rents due	\$229.50

Little things are little things;
But faithfulness in little things is something great.

The Mothers' Meeting

Tuesday, January the seventh was a red letter day in the Mothers' Calendar for 1913, being the day of the annual dinner. It proved a feast of reason and a flow of soul, besides providing for the inner man, or should we say woman in this case. We were so fortunate as to have with us our dear friend and former President, Mrs. Garrett, only recently returned from a two years stay abroad. She gave us a fine description of her experiences in foreign lands. The story was enlivened by anecdotes and illustrated by numerous souvenirs picked up in various cities and towns of Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Holland and England. At the close of this delightful talk we were all given candles in small candlesticks, the lights were turned off, the small tapers were lighted and we sang, "It came upon the midnight clear." Miss Donlevy playing the accompaniment. This was followed by "Onward Christian Soldiers," all marching into the dining room. All found seats at the prettily decorated table and enjoyed the good things so kindly provided by friends. Turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stewed tomatoes, cold slaw, rolls and butter, coffee, ice cream, cakes, salted nuts and after-dinner mints comprised the bill of fare. All this was made possible by the gifts of the many friends whom we wish to thank through the columns of the "Chimes." Also we wish to thank Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Garrett and Miss Donlevy who waited upon the table and assisted in the kitchen. Several of the Mothers' helped in the preparation of the dinner.

Mrs. Dayton, who was not able to be with us was greatly missed, and we were sorry to learn that Mrs. Garrett's stay in our midst will be so short, as she will make her home on the Pacific Coast.

We are starting the New Year with thankfulness for past blessings and hopes for greater opportunities for future usefulness.

A. M. M.

Sunday School

At the Teachers' Meeting on the second Friday in the month the subject of finance was discussed at some length. It was proposed that a duplex envelope system be established for the classes, the teachers to take charge of the amount for each class and the sum collected each Sunday to be turned over to the Accounting Warden. In return the Accounting Warden would pay all expenses of the Sunday School when vouchers were submitted to him approved by the Finance Committee of the school. As the matter was of importance and the attendance at the meeting small, further discussion was suggested for the next Teacher's meeting.

A boy choir is to be started for the Sunday School and Mr. Miles has kindly agreed to train the boys who are invited to be at the Parish House at 3.00 P. M. every Saturday.

The attendance at the School is increasing and the interest in the lessons is encouraging.

The Superintendent again asks for volunteers as Teachers. One who could play the organ on an emergency would be especially welcome.

G. T. M.

The following is the list of those Scholars and Teachers of the Sunday School who were "perfect" in attendance during the year 1912:

Charlotte Westling, Francis O'Brien, Florence E. Why, John F. Arndt, Frederick H. Belfield, Elizabeth Connor, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Miles, Mr. Hayhurst. The following attended 51 Sundays:

Walter Abrams, Miss Insinger, Mr. Middleton.

The following attended 50 Sundays:

J. Walter Brown, Mrs. Adkin.

The following attended 49 Sundays:

William J. Feist, John Cookstock, Frank Ellis, Margaret J. Hannan.

Once to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side.

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EDITORIAL

The subject of the Apportionment is so generally misunderstood, but is so important, that we endeavor in this issue to treat the matter fully and exhaustively, and not only quote from the address of Mr. King in our own Church but also from a speech of Bishop Rhinelander given at length in the December issue of "The Church News." In our own Church it is remarkable to find how little real knowledge of the subject even leading, active members of the Parish have. The most common statement being that the new Parish House is responsible for a large raise in the amount Apportioned us. In the first place the Apportionment is now but in its second year, the following resolution being adopted at the last Diocesan Convention: "Resolved," that the Men's Auxiliary as provided for be instructed to make the Apportionment for the ensuing year, September 1st, 1912, to September 1st, 1913, to the Parishes, on a sliding scale from 7½ per cent. to 35 per cent. on current expenses, and without discretionary power to make any changes."

The sliding scale applied to the current expenses of the several Parishes divided them into seven groups as follows: Under \$1,500 7½ per cent.; under \$2,500, 10 per cent.; under \$4,000, 15 per cent.; under \$6,000, 20 per cent.; under \$8,500, 25 per cent.; under \$13,000, 30 per cent.; under \$25,000, 35 per cent.

There are 46 Parishes in group 1; 37 Parishes in group 2; 35 Parishes in group 3; 25 Parishes in group 4; 14 Parishes in group 5; 9 Parishes in group 6; and 8 Parishes in group 7. There is a total of 174 parishes showing expenses of \$675,722.36 and Apportioned \$154,130.71. Christ Church reported expenses of \$6,650.50, was therefore placed in group 5, assessed 25 per cent. or \$1,662.62 for the year. You will note the Apportionment is at a fixed rate upon total expenses as furnished by the Church through the proper authorities, and that no one has authority to change the amount or rating.

To quote Bishop Rhinelander "I learned how greatly blessed a diocese would be, in all its parts and members, if only it would raise its Apportionment aright." "The Church has adopted the really perfect principal. Apportionment is the Divine Law. Each has his portion given him—given that he may give it. As ye have received the gift, even so minister the same as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." "Men everywhere are telling the same tale of great revival by faithful use of the Apportionment. Some of the most eager and compelling witness comes from vestrymen, who are not always the first to be converted." "The ugly little perforated envelopes come to bless but equally to warn. They offer a ready opportunity of reasonable, holy and living sacrifice. They knit our mission into our worship." "Has any one of us sufficient inspiration to foretell, what might happen in God's love, if the 57,000 of us took a hand in the Apportionment? No, but it is for each of us to try and see."

We quote from the speech of Mr. King in another article.)

You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.

Having kindly consented to come and fully explain just what the apportionment of the Board of Missions meant, and how the sum asked for them Christ Church was complied, J. Nicholas Mitchell, M. D., of the Diocesan Board of Missions made a most interesting and instructive address in the Parish House on the evening of Tuesday January 7th. All the members of the Vestry, with the exception of Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Morgan, were present and in addition about fifteen men and women of those interested in Church work. We regret to say there was but little discussion of the subject, and we fear Dr. Mitchell received an unfortunate impression of the real interest of our Church in the subject of Missions. No comment was made or question asked by members of the Vestry and but two of the ladies present made remarks. The Rector, as usual, rose to the occasion and thanked Dr. Mitchell for giving Christ Church an evening of his much sought for and valuable time.

Sunday morning, January 12th, George Gordon King, Esq., Treasurer of the Board of Missions, gave a most earnest statement of the work of the Board and an eloquent plea for the money necessary to carry on the work during the current year ending September 1st, 1913. We regret space will not permit us to publish the speech in full nor will we attempt to give a condensed, connected resume but the following facts and figures are of the utmost use and interest. We quote Mr. King.

"We are living in days of great visions—not dreams, but visions which are daily becoming realities."

"75 years ago the Board had in its employ 1 Missionary Bishop, 25 Clergy in Domestic work, 4 Clergy in Foreign work. Today it has 32 Missionary Bishops, more than 2550 workers of all kinds. In addition the Board assists 43 Dioceses in the United States in Missionary work."

"75 years ago receipts from all sources were \$54,000; last year they were \$1,700,000."

"33 years ago Sunday School children gave \$7,000; last year \$167,000."

"Contributing Parishes to Apportionment, in 9 years, increased from 2,200 to 4,900."

"31 Dioceses and Missionary Districts completed their Apportionment this year against 18 so doing 9 years ago."

"2,900 Congregations and Mission stations completed their Apportionment the past year against 754 so doing 9 years ago."

"To pay 32 Missionary Bishops (each receives \$3,000) and 2550 workers salaries, outfit and expenses of various kinds, the Board appropriated last May \$1,352,000. This is an average salary of less than \$600 per capita if no expenses were attached to it. The deficit on September 1st, 1912 was \$197,000."

"Sum required for year ending September 1st, 1913, \$1,559,000. Receipts from various sources \$265,000. Apportionment, \$1,200,000."

"Toward this apportionment we expect Women's Auxiliaries and Sunday Schools to give \$300,000, leaving \$1,000,000 to be secured from Parishes and individuals. Last year these two sources contributed \$725,000. Is it visionary to believe \$1,000,000 can be secured in this way?"

"There are 930,000 recorded Communicants in the Church, 5 cents each per week equals \$2,400,000. 2 cents per week about equals \$1,000,000."

"Long ago words 'Stranger' and 'Foreigner' had real meaning but Jesus said 'I am my brothers keeper' and brother is an other name for all the world."

"You may extend your personality across sea and land. You do the work through your money. Your personality is behind it. You alone make it good or bad money. You set it in motion for either selfish or unselfish aims."

"When the Treasurer is collecting money, he is actually collecting influences and personalities; and sending them out into the world to do the Masters work."

"The real remittances are your love, zeal, prayers, and your belief in the Son of God."

Mr. King, also at some length, told of a house to house canvass that more than realized the Apportionment and in addition caused an increased interest in Parish and other work that resulted in the cancelling of the then present Church debt.

Our Apportionment of \$1,662.62 will be raised from two sources, Duplex Envelopes and Voluntary contributions on the one hand; Sunday School Missionary offerings, Lenten offerings and Womens Auxiliary on the other.

According to printed report dated, The Church House, Oct. 15th, 1912, Christ Church last year gave \$307.07. This year in Apportionment we are asked to give \$1,662.62. Last year the 14 Parishes in group 5 gave \$3,261.61; they are Apportioned \$24,093.63. Of the 14 Parishes but one reached or exceeded its Apportionment. 6 gave a total of \$9,122.33 leaving 8 to give \$1,139.28 between them. But two gave less than Christ Church.

It is proper to call attention to the fact that Christ Church is also assessed in addition to the Apportionment of \$1,662.62, the sum of \$210.00 for the Germantown Convocation, about \$40 for the Sustentation Fund, and some \$300 for Convention and other funds or a total of about \$2,100.

Several complaints have come indirectly to the Editor regarding mistakes of various kinds found in the "Chimes" particularly in printed names of the subscribers published in last issue. Please notice that no mistake can be properly corrected through verbal notice and in future only written communications sent direct to the Editor of "The Chimes" will receive attention. All matter for publication must be on hand on or before the 20th of the month.

While the Editor reserves full right to condense, extract, or omit entirely any article or report submitted they will, as far as possible, be published exactly as sent.

The "Chimes" is the organ of the people of the Parish, not of the Editor.

Listen! boys and girls. Here's a service especially for you. Every Sunday evening during Lent, beginning Feb. 9th, a children's lantern slide service will be held at 6.45 in the Parish House. The service will consist of Bible stories illustrated by lantern views, and the singing of hymns thrown on the screen. All parents are earnestly invited to urge their children to attend these interesting, instructive and helpful services, and if your children are too young to come unaccompanied, bring them yourselves.

Here is the schedule of services and subjects.

Feb. 9—Life of Christ.
Feb. 16—Life of Christ (Concluded)
Feb. 23—Story of David.
Mar. 2—Story of Daniel.
Mar. 9—Pilgrim's Progress.
Mar. 16—Pilgrim's Progress (Concluded).

BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign thee with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Dec. 1st—Josephine Elizabeth Sauter
Dec. 9th—William Hollar Knox
Dec. 10th—Gwendoline Elizabeth Morrison.
Dec. 10th—Joseph Charles Morrison.

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."
Dec. 27th—Alexander H. Jones.
Dec. 13th—Gwendoline Elizabeth Morrison.

A comparatively small number of subscribers through the envelopes are in arrears. Several persons have enclosed their subscriptions in full during the past month. A few, however, are still neglecting depositing their envelopes. Will all persons please endeavor to meet their full amounts as soon as possible. The fiscal year of the Parish is nearing a close and it is desired to balance all accounts as soon as possible.

WANTS

Names and addresses when satisfactory to the Rector, will be inserted here for three months, free of charge.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
} 8.00 to 8.00 P. M. " } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

Holy Week draws near! It is the Holy of Holies of all the weeks in the year. Every day, every moment is sacred. Day by day we draw nearer to the Cross. Surely, no heart can be so hard as to be indifferent to the solemn, awful events of this Holy Week.

To those who really know the love of Christ—how dear will be the services, the Meditations, the Communion of this week! Day by day will be rehearsed in our Church what Jesus said and did as He passed along the Via Dolorosa from Bethany to Calvary. Thus will the Gospel story sink deeper and deeper into the hearts of all who listen aright and the sad lessons of Holy Week will be more fully realized and will lead up to the joyous, triumphant hope of Easter Day.

Only they who follow Jesus in His trials and suffering and Crucifixion can enter into the joy of His Resurrection!

May I ask every member of Christ Church to pray daily—between now and Easter Day—the following prayer for our Parish?

There are so many in this vicinity who have become cold and indifferent to God, to Christ, to the Church and to their Christian duty. Only by the power of the Holy Spirit of God can they be aroused from their impending spiritual death. As we pray this prayer daily I ask that each one keep in mind some particular person or persons in this Parish and mention the name before God in this prayer.

Prayer for the Parish

O Almighty and merciful God, who doth govern all things in heaven and

earth, mercifully hear the supplications of thy servants and grant unto our Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful (especially.....) visit and relieve the sick, (especially.....) turn and soften the wicked (especially.....) arouse the careless and indifferent (especially.....) recover the fallen (especially.....) restore the penitent (especially.....) remove all hindrances to the advancement to Thy truth; and bring all to be one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Easter Joy

"The strife is o'er, the battle done,
The Victory of life is won;
The song of Triumph has begun."
Alleluia!

With what triumphant joy the Christian heart sings these words! Out from darkness into light; from the sadness of Gethsemane and Calvary into the joys of Easter; away from thoughts of suffering to hymns of victory; from the dark tragedy of Good Friday to the empty tomb—such is the great transition today in Christian thought, voiced in anthems and flowers, in carols and hymns, and emphasized in the message of joy proclaimed from Christian pulpits and Christian altars. The good news that encircles the globe today and visits each hamlet and village and city and makes hearts beat the quicker for joy, is the announcement made to the

disciples of old, and repeated through all the Christian centuries: "The Lord is risen, indeed!"

How strong a hold, the fact of the Resurrection has gained upon the hearts of men! As the centuries multiply, the thoughts grow stronger and stronger. The whole world keeps Easter Day. Men and women are studying the fact from every joint of view. Sentiment has laid hold upon it. Reason has accepted it. The man of science finds the law of Resurrection capable of demonstration. The spiritual truth beneath the fact itself far outweighs the seeming physical difficulties. And who can find words to tell of the comfort which this thought gives to those who grieve over the loss of loved ones, gone before us? Who can express in language the hope with which it cheers and inspires the heart of one called to suffering and pain.

There is power in this central fact of Christian history!

There is an uplifting in this key-stone of the arch of Christian truth.

Let us rejoice, then, as we look this day into the sepulchre, "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" Let us weave this truth and fact into our lives! Let it give courage to the struggling, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every heart, because Jesus Christ has brought life and immortality to light.

Through the proper observance of Holy Week shall be better prepared to enter more fully into the joys of Easter Day. The time between now and Easter should be devoted to a thorough, conscientious preparation for the Easter Communion, endeavoring to crucify the old man and utterly abolish the whole body of sin." Surely no good Churchman, without "grave and serious cause," will be absent from the Holy Communion on this "Queen Festival" of the Christian year. At the Lord's Supper, we not only have in remembrance "His blessed Passion and precious Death" but, also, as the Prayer Book tells us, "His mighty Resurrection, rendering unto God most hearty thanks for the same."

Thousands of altars throughout the world will be spread on Easter Day

and millions of souls will kneel before God's throne and receive the Bread which came down from Heaven and with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of Heaven" will be "knit together in one Communion and fellowship, in the mystical Body of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let every Churchman, therefore, begin now carefully and conscientiously to prepare himself for his Easter Communion. "Draw near with faith and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Our Easter Offering

Our Easter Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall chose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16:16.)

If this was the custom in Old Testament times how more abundantly and gladly should the Christian pour out his heart to God in thanksgiving on Easter Day.

Whilst I am very anxious that the full amount asked for by the Vestry shall be realized this Easter, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come from all, from every man, woman and child, and that it shall be an expression of deep, true Christian devotion and shall be according as God hath blessed each one of us.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for March

March 2nd—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
March 9th—Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 16th—Palm Sunday,
March 21st—Good Friday
March 23rd—Easter Day
March 25th—Annunciation B. V. M.
March 30th—First Sunday after Easter

HOLY WEEK SERVICE

"Is It Nothing to You all Ye that Pass By?"

Monday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Service and Address on Sacred Events
of the Day 4.45 P. M.

Tuesday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Service and Address on Sacred Events
of the Day 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Litany and Penitential Office .. 9.30 A. M.
Service and Address on Sacred Events
of the Day 4.45 P. M.
Service and Sermon 8.00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Service and Address on Sacred Events
of the Day 4.45 P. M.
Holy Communion 8.00 P. M.

Good Friday

Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora, Address 10.00 A. M.
Three Hours Meditation on the Seven
Words from the Cross .. 12 noon, 3 P. M.
(Conducted by the Rev. Henry Ransome,
Rector Christ Church, Media, Pa.)

Easter Even

Evening Prayer 4.45 P. M.

Easter Day

Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 P. M.
Morning Prayer, Holy Communion,
Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Sunday School Choral Service .. 7.30 P. M.

Three Hour Meditation

At the Meditation on Good Friday as many as possible should endeavor to be present at the noon hour and remain throughout the service. Persons coming late or leaving the church should do so only during the singing of the hymns.

Girls' Friendly Society

That members of Christ Church may know more about the Girls' Friendly Society, it has been suggested that a brief history of it be given here.

It was started in England in 1875 by Mrs. Townsend. Its purpose was to bind together Churchwomen and girls for religious help. This Society was brought to America in 1877, when the first branch was started in Lowell, Mass., by Miss E. M. Eason. It is now to be found in 64 diocese in America, with 667 branches and 43,200 members. It is the largest society of women for women in the world. Our motto is "Bear ye one another's burdens."

The objects of the Society are as follows: 1st. To bind together in one society Churchwomen as Associates, and girls and young women as members, for mutual help, (religious and secular) for sympathy and prayer. 2nd. To encourage purity of life, dutifulness to parents, faithfulness to employers, and thrift.

3rd. To provide the privileges of the Society for its members, wherever they may be, by giving the man introduction from one Branch to another.

The rules of the Society are:

1. No girl who has not borne a virtuous character can be admitted as a member of the Girls' Friendly Society: such character being lost, the member to forfeit her card.

2. Girls and young women may join the Society, from the age of 12 years and upwards, on the recommendation of an associate.

3. Members to pay not less than 9 cents a quarter to the Society; those refusing to pay their subscription lose their card.

While a girl is a member of the Society an associate always keeps in touch with her. After marriage, members may continue in the branch as Married Branch Helpers. On leaving the Society, card, guide-book and badge are returned.

The Christ Church Branch is very desirous of increasing their membership and will cordially welcome any girl or young woman who cares to join us.

O. G. K.

Guild Choir

The Guild choir has come forward splendidly during these Lenten days and the services have been helped greatly by their assistance.

They have taken the service every alternate Wednesday and the first was a choir of fourteen. We hope to continue this interest throughout the season of Lent and wish to thank the regular choir for their co-operation on these Wednesday nights.

L. J. J.

Women's Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions held its monthly meeting on Thursday, February 6th at 10.30 A. M. in the Parish House. We had hoped to have with us the Rev. Arthur M. Cleaveland from Stannardsville, Va. who has charge of some of the work among the Virginia mountaineers, for whom we are working, but due to a heavy cold, he could not be with us, so the meeting resolved itself into a sewing meeting.

These regular weekly meetings have certainly been a great success and by Easter we will have a splendid box to send to these needy mountain people.

We have an average attendance of twenty-two and the mornings fly by most pleasantly. Those women in the Parish who do not attend are certainly missing a great deal. But it is not too late to come, you are always welcome.

The Auxiliary has the pleasure of thanking the James S. Jones Co. for a donation of outing flannel, John Wanamaker for a donation of gingham, Lit Brothers for a donation of outing flannel.

With the splendid generosity we have received from the dry goods houses it ought to behoove us all to greater energy to put them into wearing apparel. There are some seventy five garments already finished and many more ready for anyone who feels inclined to take work home, as many are doing.

Soon after Easter a complimentary afternoon tea will be given by the Woman's Auxiliary, Girls' Friendly and Mothers Meeting, to display their work

and it is hoped the members of the Church will show their interest in the efforts of these societies by being present, the date to be announced later.

L. J. J. Sec.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary is increasing in numbers and our work is going on nicely. Last week we had six new members and we would be glad to welcome new ones each week to our pleasant Friday afternoons. We meet at 3.45. Mr. Gernand is going to talk to us next week on Alaska, the mission for which we are working.

Altar Guild

Commencing with "The Chimes" for April—there will be a monthly record of the "Memorial Flowers" for each Sunday.

Contributions of money for the Altar Guild will be most acceptable—also a new Bible for the Lectern and new Altar Prayer Books and Hymnals. Should any one wish to give the above kindly consult the Rector or President of Altar Guild. Those sending memorial flowers will kindly have them at the Church before one o'clock Saturday afternoons.

Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King held their winter meeting of the Local Assembly at the Church of the Incarnation on Tuesday, February 18th.

Those who attended the Parochial Service at 4 o'clock heard a most inspiring Sermon by the Rev. Mr. Carpenter from the text "As thy day so shall thy strength be." After the service the meeting was called together by the President Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt. After all the business of the meeting was over the Rev. E. J. McHenry of the Church of the Holy Comforter, West Philadelphia, spoke very helpfully on the influence of Women in Church work.

At the evening session there were the Revs. Dr. Levis, Mr. J. Lugins of the Incarnation, Dr. Pierce and Mr. West of St. Matthew's, Mr. McHenry of the Holy Comforter and Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt, of Christ Church, Germantown in the chancel.

After the evening prayer, Dr. Levis received 4 new members into their Chapter, then followed a helpful sermon by our own Rector. He began by reading the account of the healing of the demoniac boy as given in St. Matthew's Gospel. Mr. Arndt showed that Faith, Prayer and Self-sacrifice are the only means by which we can give efficiency as servants of Jesus Christ, even then we must take Him at His word, that without Him we can do nothing and be as the dumb organ waiting the touch of the Master, or as tools idol but in readiness for the great Artisan.

E. L. M.

Boys Club

The Boys Club under the energetic management of Mr. Keith Rodney meets each Friday evening in the new play room in the Parish House and a number of the coming men of the neighborhood have enjoyable, healthy evenings.

Two Basket Ball teams have been organized from among the members while other boys are practising hard in an endeavor to make one or the other of these teams. Challenges are out and several will be accepted in the near future with neighboring teams. Not all of these boys are of our own church but a good work is being done in inculcating a manly, healthy, spirit of sport and a desire to keep their physical in first rate condition. Also that the Church and those from it are anxious and willing to help them and look after them in both a spiritual and a physical way.

Envelope System

Let every one in the Parish subscribe now through the Envelope System of giving.

Pledge cards in vestibule.

Mothers Meeting

We are pursuing the "even tenor of our way" with nothing very unusual or exciting to report.

Every member enjoys these weekly meetings, when we sew, and chat or listen to some amusing or otherwise interesting reading, followed by an inspiring address from, either our dear Rector or our friend, Mr. Gernand. The serving of tea and buns is a little diversion, after which there are cheery good-byes and hopes for meeting all again the following week.

Our rug industry moves briskly along our only drawback being a lack of material. We have recently sold nine rugs and have received orders for nearly as many more. The very moderate price at which we sell these rugs, prevents the buying of material for making them, so we have to depend entirely upon our friends for our supply of scraps of woolen and cotton cloth for this work.

We are planning for a clothing sale before Easter. As we do not ask more than a dollar for any garment, these sales are a great help to many.

The proceeds from these sales of clothing and from the rugs will be used to complete the Easter offering from the Mothers' Meeting.

A. M. M.

Young Men's Bible Class

Seventeen young men are now enrolled in our Bible Class, four new members having come in this past month. We should like to have at least twenty five on our roll by Easter. Will you help to make this possible by contributing your own presence and interesting other men in the class? Our organization is now complete. We have a good teaching staff, a new pianist, a violinist and better still, splendid enthusiasm in our meetings. On January 26th we held a joint discussion with class No. 11 on the question, "Is war ever beneficial to the human race." Interest was enlivened by the reading of specially contributed opinions from Bishop Rhinelander, Mayor Blankenburg and John Wanamaker. We are now taking up the book of Amos.

adopting in our study, the real seminar method of personal research into the hearts of this grand old prophet's stirring message. All men, both young and old, who love God's work, and sincerely want to know more about it, will find it very profitable to attend our Sunday morning circle of Bible study.

H. W. Gernand

The Sunday School

The attendance at the Sunday School though improving is still a little below the two hundred mark. We should like to reach that number before Easter and we are sure that a little individual missionary work on the part of the older scholars would soon make up the difference.

The unavoidable absence of teachers is a great drawback to the school. If the Superintendent could have a list of names of men and women who will occasionally teach, this difficulty would be largely overcome. Teachers should always notify the Superintendent if they know that they cannot attend to their duties on a certain Sunday.

The Lenten boxes have been distributed and it is hoped that with the co-operation of the family the contribution of the Sunday School to the Apportionment for Missions will be maintained.

Carols and Hymns for the Easter celebration have been selected and are now being learned on Saturday afternoon and before and after the lesson on Sundays.

G. L. M.

On the three Fridays following after Easter the Rector will continue his instruction to the members of the Confirmation class. The subject of the lectures will be "How to use the Prayer Book." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Friday afternoon at four o'clock and Friday evenings at 8 o'clock in the Parish House.

We older children group our way
From dark behind to dark before;
And only when our hands we lay,
Dear Lord, in Thine, the night is day.
And there is darkness nevermore.

Church Periodical Club

There seems to be a very vague understanding as to what the C. P. C. really stands for, so we present the following, trusting that it will be carefully read and digested. In another issue we will publish some of the replies from grateful recipients. These we are sure will move your hearts to deep repentance for what you have thrown away as old papers.

The Society was formed to supply periodicals and books to those of the clergy and laity who are unable to procure good literature in other ways.

1. It obtains from the Bishops names and addresses of those who need books and periodicals.

2. It appeals to those who have periodicals to send them, regularly every week or month, to the persons who ask for them, always prepaying postage.

3. It keeps lists of donors and of the recipients of such periodicals, so that a change in the address of either may be at once noted, and that any magazine, when discontinued, may be quickly replaced.

4. It receives packages of books and papers, notes contents, and sends out lists to the clergy, afterwards forwarding to each one, for his Reading Room or Sunday School, such books, etc., as he needs.

5. It sends out also Christmas and Easter cards, Prayer Books, Hymnals, Bibles, Carols, Service Leaflets, Games, etc., to Schools and Reading Rooms.

It needs 1st, books and magazines to supply the constant demand.

2nd. Money to pay for the room where the books, etc., are received and the salaries of the clerks receiving.

Also to pay postage on the letters and postals sent out during the year.

To pay postage, expresse or freight on the books and papers forwarded from the Central Office.

It needs the interest and prayers of every person in the Church.

In all your dealings remember today is your opportunity, to-morrow will be some one else's.

Statement for January

Bal. on hand Jan. 1st	\$ 324.88
Offertory, 1st Sunday	56.28
Offertory 2nd Sunday	90.48
Offertory 3rd Sunday	75.26
Offertory 4th Sunday	60.07
Pew Rents	299.50
Mrs. Jefferies "Chimes Master" ..	37.50
Aged and Infirm Clergy	6.60
Episcopal Hospital	2.00
Parish House Debt	5.00
Missions	47.82

\$1005.39

By Salaries	\$379.17
By Salaries Choir	139.82
Supplies	24.45
Repairs	44.38
Gas and Electric Light	18.00
Int. Mortg. Parish House	131.47
Rector "Incidentals"	37.50
Balance in Bank	230.60

\$1005.39

Amount required to pay all fixed expenses per Sunday exclusive of Apportionment

\$138.50

Unpaid Bills Overdue

Cheltenham Trust Co., Loan	\$500.00
Germantown Convocation	190.00
Epis. and Con. Fund	181.81
Parish House Indebtedness ..	320.06
Coal Bill	349.75
Episcopal Hospital	40.50
Aged and Infirm Clergy	115.98

\$1698.10

Pew Rents due and unpaid .. \$163.00

It is hoped that the Easter offering will be so generous that all our unpaid bills will be liquidated, and a liberal amount added to pay off Parish House indebtedness.

William R. Pugh

Accounting Warden

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EDITORIAL

A Lenten Creed

Let me be a little kinder,
Let me be a little blinder
To the faults of those about me,
Let me praise a little more;
Let me be, when I am weary,
Just a little bit more cheery,
Let me serve a little better
Those that I am striving for.

Let me be a little braver
When temptation bids me waver,
Let me strive a little harder
To be all that I should be;
Let me be a little meeker
With the brother that is weaker;
Let me think more of my neighbor
And a little less of "me."

Let me be a little sweeter,
Make my life a bit completer
By doing what I should do
Every minute of the day;
Let me toil without complaining,
Not a humble task disdaining,
Let me face the summons calmly
When death beckons me away.

In a leaflet signed by the Finance
Committee and distributed widely
through the Parish, the regular In-
come and Cost of maintaining prop-
erty and conducting worship from Eas-
ter 1912 to Easter 1913 is (estimated
from Feb. 1st) given as follows:

Expenses

Salaries	\$3823.19
Choir	1700.00
Repairs	401.87
Coal Bill	419.75
Lighting	115.00
Taxes, Water Rent and Insurance	349.79
General Supplies and Sundry Ex- penses	535.00
Including Interest on Notes	

Income

Pew Rents	\$2675.00
Envelope Pledges	2578.93
Plate Collection	700.00
Deficit	\$5953.93
	\$1390.67

"This includes no donations to
specific objects, nor expenditures
on account of such objects, but pre-
sents (approximately) only the ne-
cessary running expenses and the reg-
ular receipts, and shows what amount
must be made up by Free Will Offer-
ings in order to maintain public wor-
ship, without incurring debt.

There are mortgages on the prop-
erty aggregating \$7,000; interest on
which will be an additional expense to
be provided for annually."

In the Accounting Wardens state-
ment for January we note there were
overdue bills amounting to \$1698.10.
We also call attention to the fact that
in addition to the expenses given above
there is some \$2100 to be raised for Ap-
portionment, Convention, Sustentation
Fund, etc.

We received most interesting verses
on the Women's Aid Society but are
unable to publish for want of space, the
entire poem taking almost a full page.
We thank the writer and hope others
will send us for publication concise
writings concerning the Church and
Guilds or Societies with which they
are connected.

The prompt, immediate and gener-
ous response from a majority of the
various Guilds and Societies for re-
ports on the work and activities of the
Church has been most gratifying and,
we hope, a means of interesting others
in their behalf. We cannot but com-
ment that almost without exception
these are from the women of the Par-
ish. Where are the men and their
work.

We are compelled to report that un-
less money is forthcoming this will of
necessity be the last issue of the
Chimes for this year. We should pub-
lish the April, May and June issues,
but must have at least 20 additional
dollars with which to do it. The
"Chimes" costs net about \$8.00 per is-
sue of 600 copies. The Christmas is-
sue of 800 copies, cost about \$14.00 and
the February issue, 800 copies, about
\$12.00. If publication suspends with
this issue the two or three subscrip-
tions received since January 1st, will
be proportionately refunded.

We were disappointed when of the
200 or more subscription cards inserted
in the January issue not one was return-
ed signed. We regret figures already
published. There are over 550 com-
municants in the Church; we issue
from 600 to 800 copies per month and
have 109 subscribers. Who will con-
tribute towards the \$20.00 and the con-
tinuance of the "Chimes"?

As this is the last issue of the "Chimes"
before Easter it is proper to remind
all members of the Church that the an-
nual election of Vestrymen is held on
Easter Monday and that it is a most
important event in the life of the
Church. Rightly or wrongly there is al-
ways more or less unrest in the church
and criticism as to this or that thing
done or left undone, while in reality
no one has any reason to complain who
does not enter actively into the life of
the Church and exercise at the election
authority and rights given them
through Charter and By-Laws.

At the last election but six votes
were cast and at previous election but

11 votes. We are informed that in time
past it was customary for one man an-
nually to go and cast the one vote elect-
ing the Vestry. This was wrong. Nor
will the Church ever be in a thorough-
ly healthy condition until all take an
active interest in the election, consider
most carefully who they believe will
most successfully and widely represent
the entire congregation and conform
and contribute most to uplift and suc-
cess of the cause and Church. All
members entitled to vote should do so
but only after prayerful consultation
and consideration and then they should
have no hesitation in expressing their
views and wishes in casting their bal-
lot.

We do not say that the present Vestry
should not be re-elected but do say
it should be reorganized, made more
representative and consult always and
fully before any important steps effect-
ing the entire congregation is taken.

Extract from Christ Church Charter
"The Vestry of said Church shall
consist of 12 persons " " and the
election of such Vestry shall be made
every year, on Easter Monday, by a
majority of such members of the said
Church as shall appear by the Vestry
books to have paid two (2) suc-
cessive years immediately preceding
the time of election for pew or a sit-
ting in the said Church."

This extract from the Charter seems
to show that Vestry should be elected
by a majority of the Church members.
The By-Laws state the same but add
the words, "male, adult" making it
read, "by a majority of said male, adult
members" etc. We understand it is
the intention of those in authority to
have the charter and by-laws modified
and widened and we now ask that the
new Charter read, "By a majority of
such adult communicants as shall ap-
pear by the Vestry books to have con-
tributed two successive years imme-
diately preceding the time of election
the sum of one dollar per year towards
the expenses of said church." We
advocate the right of all adult commu-
nicants to vote.

Parish Organization

Rector
The REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

Rector Emeritus
The REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

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Rector's Warden—James M. Woodroffe
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Librarian—
Morning Bible Class—Colonel Sheldon Potter
Afternoon Bible Class—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore
Young Men's Bible Class—Meetings: Every Sun-
day Morning, 9.45; 3rd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Director—Rev. H. W. Gernand

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Teachers
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Mr. Thomas M. Bains Mr. Richard H. Morris
Mr. John F. Davidson Miss Phyllis Morgan
Mrs. Laura H. Dayton Miss Bessie Nutt
Miss Mary Dahl Miss Virginia Thacher
Miss Margaret Falkner Miss Maud Wismer
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Miss Haley Col. Sheldon Potter

Intermediate School

Mrs. Rittenhouse Reaver, Principal
Miss Helen Donlevy Miss Woodroffe
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Miss C. A. Woodroffe

Primary School

Mrs. Charles Heyer, Principal
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Miss Regina Baremore

Teachers Meeting
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Miss Mary Dahl

PARISH GUILDS

Altar Guild

(Meeting Second Monday in Month, 3 P. M.)
Directress—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore
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Secretary—Miss Helen P. Donlevy
Treasurer—Miss Frances Cooley

Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

(Meeting, First Thursday in month, 8 P. M.)
Director—Charles H. Jackson
Secretary—

Boys' Club

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Christ Church Club

(Meetings, Second Wednesday, 8 P. M.)
President—Charles H. Jackson
Secretary—
Treasurer—Samuel Baxter

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(Meetings, Second Thursday, 8 P. M.)
President—Miss Olive G. Kirkland
Vice President—Mrs. S. N. Baxter
Secretary—Miss Esther R. Alexander
Treasurer—Miss Martha J. Insinger

Church Periodical Club

Librarian—Mrs. Topliff Johnson

Daughters of the King

(Meetings, Second and Fourth Mondays, 8 P. M.)
President—Miss Sally Johnson
Vice President—Mrs. J. I. Morrison
Secretary—Miss Carrie Parker
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Girls' Friendly Society

(Meetings, Tuesdays, 8 P. M.)
Branch Secretary—Miss Phyllis Morgan
Associates—Mrs. T. H. Carmichael, Mrs. Charles
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Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

(Meetings, First Thursday, 10.30 A. M.)
President—
Vice President—Mrs. W. N. Johnson
Secretary—Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Treasurer—

Junior Branch of Woman's Auxiliary

(Meetings, Fridays, 4 P. M.)
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Secretary—Miss Dorothy Roland
Treasurer—Miss Frances O'Brien

Mothers Meeting

(Meetings, Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.)
President—Mrs. J. I. Morrison
Associate—Mrs. Laura H. Dayton

Neighborhood Club, (Men)

(Meetings, Third Friday, 8 P. M.)
President—O. N. Middleton
Vice President—
Secretary—
Treasurer—C. Lamar Hayhurst

Vestment Guild

(Meets Second Tuesday, 3.30 P. M.)
President—Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Secretary—Mrs. Thacher
Treasurer—Mrs. Sheldon Potter

Rector's Vestments

Miss Bessie Chase

S. S. C. (Young Men)

(Meetings, Mondays, 8 P. M.)
Director—The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt

Guild Choir

(Meetings, First Wednesday, 8 P. M.)
President—Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Secretary—Mrs. R. Mogridge

BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign thee with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Jan. 26th—Jane Isabelle Courtney
Jan. 26th—Mary Elizabeth Heaton

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen.

Feb. 5th—Emmie Glovina Ivins
Feb. 8th—Gilbert Jordon

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

February 8th.—William F. Schwartz
Mary Jakeman

We receive from time to time anonymous communications and regret name and addresses of those sending are not signed in full. It is not only a well-known Editorial rule that anonymous articles go to the scrap basket but no names will be published or mentioned by us unless permission is given.

It is reported from the Women's Auxiliary Society that a member of this Parish disposing of her house hold goods gave practical thought to Christ Church in presenting a fine sewing machine. Are there not others who have articles to give that will be of use in the work of the Parish.

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CLERGY:

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Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

CURATE

REV. HOWARD W. GERNAND

Parish Visitor, MRS. LAURA H. DAYTON

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 8.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

The Rector wishes to express his appreciation of the generous offering received on Easter Day. There were two or three large contributions, but by far the largest part came from all the people, showing a wide spread and general interest of the people in the Parish. This is as it should be. The Parish should be supported by every one and this Easter offering shows that the people of this Parish recognize, as a rule, their individual and personal responsibility. It is a privilege for any clergyman to work among a people who are responsive and sympathetic and try to measure up to their personal responsibility. By far the greater majority in this Parish are of this kind. There are only a comparatively few who shirk.

Among this number referred to above the most hopeless individuals are they who always have some plausible excuse.

There is no excuse that is so often put forth by persons who wish to avoid doing what they do not want to do, as the excuse, "I have no time." Opportunities for doing unselfish service for Christ and His Church are on every hand and within the reach of all; and yet, when the clergy seek persons to undertake the work, the same old excuse that is so familiar to their ears, and sounds so shallow and is so disheartening, is every where present—but is more apt to be found among the self-complacent, selfish, self-centered individuals.

It is the really busy, active, energetic big-minded man or woman who always can find time to do more. In the busiest lives there is room for what we want to do. It all depends upon the inclination. The votaries of pleasure are those who oftenest use the threadbare plea of "I have no time."

The man of business, who "fills the unforgiving minute with sixty seconds worth of distance run," is the man who is apparently placid, unruffled and at leisure to give ear to the claim of duty wherever or when ever it presents itself.

We began as children by being "too busy" to practice the piano or to do some long problem in our school. But we were never too busy to play. Anything that was fun displaced what was no fun. Some of us have never grown and never have lived down the juvenile proclivity to neglect our work for the sake of amusement. The person who seems to have been morn with that "tired feeling" and the person whose excuse is "I have no time," ought to be buried together in the same grave, where they both may rest and have all the time they want. Certainly the living have no use for them or their kind. There is no white lie so popular as "I haven't time." It enables us to evade an unpleasant appointment where our real duty lies. Nearly always the real and honest reason is, "I don't want to." For what we want to do, we shall find time to do.

The Rector desires to commend most highly the members of the Women's Auxiliary (Women's Missionary Society) for the splendid work which they have done during the past Lent in their weekly meetings. The money they have raised for Missionary purposes, the large number of garments they have made for the poor, and the full attendance at all the weekly meetings have made this one of the most successful as well as one of the most encouraging and delightful winters. A report of the work done by this Society is printed on another page of this issue of the "Chimes."

The financial year of the Parish begins at this time, (Easter). The past year has been marked by a wide-spread generosity on the part of many in the Parish. The Envelope system has been extended, and the offerings have largely increased. This is encouraging. There are many, however, who do not co-operate in the support of the work of this Parish, or, if they do, it is in a spasmodic manner or in a way not at all commensurate with their ability. It is hoped that these persons will soon awaken to their duty and responsibility in this matter and will come forward and help in this work for God and humanity which this Parish is doing. Everyone should do his or her share according to their ability.

The envelope system of giving should be extended to every man, woman and child in the Parish. It encourages regular systematic, conscientious giving and is the most satisfactory method yet adopted.

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules or will be furnished by the Verger. Persons are invited to indicate by a cross on these cards how much they are willing to subscribe each week to the support of the Parish and to Missions. These cards, when signed with names and addresses, are to be placed on the alms basin or sent to the Rector and a package of envelopes will then be sent to the address.

These envelopes, with the amount subscribed, are to be placed on the alms basin each Sunday. If persons are absent from any service, the amount in

arrears, together with the amount due for the Sunday present, is to be placed on the alms basin. If every one in the Parish would give liberally in this way a regular and assured income for the support of the work of the Parish could be depended upon.

It is hoped that every one who does not give through this system will begin at once. Every member, including each child in the home, should make an individual pledge and have a separate set of envelopes. In this way personal liberality will be encouraged and a sense of personal responsibility—so important a principle in every life—will be fostered in the character of young and old alike.

Aids to Memory

The clergy of every large parish have their minds burdened with such a variety of engagements and care that the question of faithfulness or neglect often reduces itself to the mechanical status of mere memory. They forget things that ought to be done on the moment, because there are other matters of importance which claim the attention of the moment. A failure of memory is sometimes charged to neglect, but only persons who never forget are allowed to cast stones at the offenders.

Some of the best and truest friends we have in the parish are people who voluntarily serve on our staff as "Aids to Memory." Whenever they note anything that ought to be done, they come, in confidence and with helpful consideration, and whisper a friendly suggestion in ears that are always open. There are no better or truer helpers in the whole parish than these dear friends, who are always suggesting to us ways of usefulness. God bless them for what they have done! And may God (who knows full well that the memory of men in the priesthood is no more nearly infallible than the memory of laymen) greatly multiply the number of those who are candid and helpful in their desire to send the clergy to the places of most immediate need. The poor priest does not get a better memory by a Bishop's ordination. Help him when you can, and be an "Aid to Memory."

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for April

April 6.—Second Sunday after Easter
April 13.—Third Sunday after Easter
April 20.—Fourth Sunday after Easter
April 25.—S. Mark's Day
April 27.—Fifth Sunday after Easter
April 28, 29, 30.—Rogation Days.

A Chance for Some Generous Heart

There are several things greatly needed in our Parish and opportunities are afforded for some good, kind, generous persons to interest themselves and in a practical way do something for the Parish. One of the objects, enumerated below can be undertaken by some person, or group of persons; another object can be undertaken by others, and if several persons or groups of persons can be interested, all of the below mentioned objects can be accomplished this Spring. Who will lead off? Here is the list.

1st. The Church exterior walls need repenciling and the stone work in places is badly in need of repair.

Who will do it or help do it?

2nd. The Church interior walls need refinishing and redecorating.

Who will do it or help to do it?

3rd. Electric lights are badly needed to properly lighten the Church interior.

Who will do it or help to do it?

4th. The woodwork in the Church need to be finished to harmonize with Chancel.

Who will do it or help to do it?

5th. The Sunday School room needs new seats adaptable for audience room.

Who will do it or help to do it?

6th. The interior of the Rectory is in need of repairs, papering and paint.

Who will do it or help to do it?

Generously disposed persons, who desire further information will be given "the glad hand" and "a right royal welcome" if they will apply to any member of the Vestry or to the Rector.

Who will take the lead?

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D. visited this Parish on Wednesday evening, March 12th and administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. There were thirty four persons in the class, fourteen males and twenty females. One member was thirteen years of age, two, fourteen; fifteen were between the ages of fifteen and twenty; and sixteen were above twenty years of age. Among this number, twelve were brought up in families of the Episcopal Church, of the remainder there were six Presbyterians, three Quakers, three Baptists, three Unitarians, two Methodist, two Roman Catholics and three of no denomination. The following are the names of those confirmed.

John Falkner Arndt
Marie Elizabeth Barrett
Marian Binns
Robert Brigham
Edna Elizabeth Brown
Leonard Carmichael
Laura Violet Constable
Charles Judson Cotton
Helen Frothingham Falkner
Clarissa Feist (Mrs. U. C.)
Joseph Fletcher
Josephine Fletcher (Mrs. Joseph)
Robina Elizabeth Fletcher
Charlotte Martinez Jones
Robert Rolins Kenworthy
DeWitt Prevost Meley
Mary Camilla McKay
Margaret McKay
John Brown Middleton
Beulah Belle Moore
Marian Moore
Jules Inches Morrison
William Millar Morrison
Sarah Kirk Murdock (Mrs.)
Marian Murray
Dorothy Murray
Marshall Edwin Parrish
Clifford Biddle Reed
Henry Stoddard Ritter
Isabelle Mae Sauter (Mrs.)
Mary Frances Shinn
George Coningsby Taylor
Lillian May Wagner
Emma Leonora Wyatt (Mrs.)

Sunday School Report

The attendance at the Sunday School continues to increase and the Superintendent is in pressing need for three more teachers. On Easter Sunday two classes graduated from the Intermediate Department to the main school and one teacher, Miss Haley, has resigned her position. We are glad to hear that the church is so well supplied with teachers.

loses a faithful, regular and earnest teacher and a most interesting class of boys is left without a preceptor.

The Lenten offering from the Mite boxes was as usual very liberal amounting to nearly \$150. This special Lenten offering is always devoted to Missions.

The special service in the Church on Easter Sunday evening was most encouraging and inspiring and the school starts in the coming year with renewed hopes and aspirations.

The Teachers Meeting will be held in the future on the second Monday in the month. It is hoped that this change will result in a larger attendance. The personality of the Teacher must always be a large factor in a successful class, still much can be learned by all Teachers through Association.

G. T. M.

Vestrymen Elected

At the annual election of Vestrymen of Christ Church held on Easter Monday the following were elected to serve for one year.

Charles W. Schwartz
Sheldon Potter
William M. Johnson, M. D.
William R. Pugh
Francis B. Falkner
James M. Woodroffe
O. N. Middleton
Henry R. Baremore
Richard H. Morris
Charles Heyer
George T. Morgan
Keith R. Rodney

At the organization of the Vestry the Rector appointed Mr. James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden, Mr. Wm. R. Pugh was elected Accounting Warden and Mr. Francis B. Falkner, Secretary.

The Rector appointed the following Standing Committees: Finance Committee, Messrs. Woodroffe, Johnson and Falkner; Choir Committee, Messrs. Potter, Woodroffe and Baremore; Sunday School Committee, Messrs. Morgan, Middleton and Morris; Property Committee, Messrs. Rodney, Morris and Middleton.

A handsome oriental rug has been given by a member of the Parish to be placed in the vestry.

The Mother's Meeting

As our greatest efforts in a social way are concentrated upon the annual dinner in January; so our Easter Offering is the goal toward which the most of our work is directed.

The funds for our Easter offering are obtained by the sale of the rugs which we make from materials furnished us by interested friends and from the sales of clothing which are held several times through the year.

We have given ten dollars and two barrels of clothing to Missions during the past Winter in addition to our Easter Offering of fifty dollars.

This represents faithful attendance at the weekly meetings and most conscientious work on the part of the members. We shall close our season's work feeling that our efforts have been crowned with success, but hoping for even better results in the future.

We cannot more fittingly close this brief article, than by thanking our kind friends who so generously contributed to the dinner and assisted us in our work with gifts of clothing for the sales and materials for rugs.

A. M. M.

A Men's Social Evening

A social evening for all the men in the Parish is being arranged to be held about the middle of April. The definite date cannot be announced at present owing to the uncertainty of certain speakers whom it is desired to have present. The date and speakers will be determined upon soon and will be announced from the Chancel. It is desired to have every man in the Parish present at this meeting and a very enjoyable and profitable evening will be guaranteed. Let every man keep his ears open to hear the date and when it is announced put it down and be sure to be present.

Addendum

Since the above notice was set in type definite arrangements have been made for a Men's Big Social Meeting to be held in the Parish House on Friday evening, April 14th at eight o'clock. George Wharton Webb, Esq. and Mr. George Wharton Webb, Esq. will be the prominent speakers. It is desired to have every man in the Parish present at this meeting. The date is April 14th at eight o'clock.

The series of Sunday evening Lantern slides services for the children during Lent were well attended by the young people. Through the kindness of Mr. Joseph Beale, of Germantown, slides were procured covering the most interesting portions of Bible history, both of the Old and New Testaments and the pictures were accompanied by short explanations of the truths pictorially represented. It was particularly gratifying to the clergy to note the large number of children unconnected with the Parish who were faithful in their attendance at the services and it is hoped that many of these children who are not associated with any church may find their places in our Sunday School. A very pleasant feature and one that greatly contributed to the success of the services was the splendid order maintained by the children throughout, their respectful attention, and manifest interest in the beautiful stories of God's blessed Saints of Old.

To Miss Burnley, Miss Collisson, Mrs. Miles, Mr. Hayhurst and Mr. Moore we tender our thanks and appreciation of the kind assistance which they rendered.

H. W. G.

The Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club is about sending in its report for the past year and wants to thank its generous donors for the good work they have done, and the generous contributions of money. The work has grown so that there is a loud call for funds to keep up the good work.

But please, good people, do not think that because the reports are turned in that the work ceases for the summer. Far from it! Any time you have periodicals or money donations you will find your Librarian only too ready to procure addresses and receive contributions.

So remember always your less fortunate neighbors.

W. J. J.

The Women's Bible Class, taught by Mrs. Harry R. Baremore, presented to the Church on Easter Day two sets of hand-drawn Bible pictures and a book of hymns. The pictures were drawn by the members of the class and the book of hymns was compiled by Mrs. Baremore.

The Delegates elected to the Diocesan Convention and the Germantown Convocation are Messrs Potter, Pugh and Woodroffe. The following report was submitted to the Vestry by Mr. Pugh, the Accounting Warden.

Report of Wm. R. Pugh

Accounting Warden

April 8, 1912 to March 24, 1913

Bal. on hand	\$1273.95
Envelopes	2672.69
Collections	785.37
Pew Rents	2762.10
Spec. Collects	3125.25
Easter offering	1335.77

\$11,955.13

By Salaries	\$5257.47
Supplies and Sundries	430.65
Repairs	489.15
Taxes, water rent & Ins.	355.43
Gas & Electric Lighting	94.80
Laundry	29.52
Rector (Incidentals)	65.87
Choir Guild	25.00
Aged and Infirm Clergy	188.70
Sustentation Fund	39.86
Childrens Country Week ...	88.43
Sunday School	270.00
Epis. & Convention Fund ..	184.60
Domestic & Foreign Missions	169.54
Missions	366.48
Bishop Rhinelander	25.80
Loans repaid with Int. and Int.	
on Mortgages	2007.03
Balance on hand	1866.80

\$11,955.13

Pew Rents unpaid \$62.50

Indebtedness

Cheltenham Trust Co. (due 3-31st)	\$500.00
Convocation of Germantown..	190.00
Episcopal & Convention Fund	181.81
Parish House Indebtedness ..	325.06
W. J. Crowder (coal)	349.75
Episcopal Hospital	40.00
Aged & Infirm Clergy	116.98

\$1703.60

Since compiling the above, additional offerings have been received which bring the total amount of the Easter Offering to \$1500.00. This is a splen-

did showing, considering that almost one thousand dollars was received in offerings at the Anniversary Service held last fall. The Vestry expresses their deep appreciation of the co-operation of the members of the Parish in the support of the work. It is hoped that by the further extension of the Envelope System of giving and by the renting of pews and sittings the revenue of the Church next year will be sufficient to meet all expenses of the Parish.

The Woman's Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary held its last meeting, Thursday morning, Mar. the twentieth.

These meetings have been a great success; well attended, and if a vote were taken, there would not be a dissenting voice as to the delightful social gatherings we have had on Thursday mornings. But best of all is the result of the work which brought us together; viz:—Over 160 made garments. These, with several pieces of materials, will be sent to Virginia after the "exhibition tea," which has been previously announced.

Although our meetings were well attended with an average of twenty-three it was with great regret that we noted the absence of many of the women in the Parish, and it is earnestly hoped that they will make it their conscientious duty to meet with the Auxiliary another year.

The dues have been placed at 50 cents, and it is greatly desired that each woman in the Parish should feel that she is privileged to contribute; therefore we would suggest that those who have been prevented from working with us, would send their dues, if so inclined, to the Treasurer, Mrs. H. H. Marot, 239 W. Hotter Street; for we all know that each baptized woman is by right of the sacrament, a member of the missionary body of the Church.

The following things are needed for the children of the Blue Ridge Industrial School:

Second hand shoes, children's and women's, sizes 5 to 7; Little children's dresses, age 2 to 6; Second hand dress skirts, colors, dark and black; Little

bottles and corks; Second hand jackets. Anything for men, women and children.

It is hoped to get the box off by April the twelfth, all things should be at the Parish House before that date.

According to the general custom of all the branches of the Woman's Auxiliary at large, our meetings were closed each week at twelve o'clock, with what is known as the "Noonday Prayer" for Missions, read by either Mr. Arndt or Mr. Gernand.

L. J. J.

Financial Report of the Woman's Auxiliary Receipts

Bal. on hand from 1912	\$ 5.00
Recd. from dues	22.50
Recd. from donations	26.11
Recd. from collections	23.50
	\$77.11

Disbursements

For Foreign Missions	\$ 5.00
For Domestic Missions	5.00
For Indian Missions	5.00
For Colored Missions	5.00
For Diocesan Missions	5.00
For Alaskan Missions	6.11
For material for garments for the Mountaineers of Virginia ..	27.35
	\$58.46
Balance	18.65
	\$77.11

R. G. Marot
Treasurer

Mrs. Laura H. Dayton, honorary Parish Visitor of Christ Church, is engaged in Missionary work among the poor under the direction of the City Mission of Philadelphia. The district under her care embraces, among other sections, this portion of Germantown and she has office hours in Christ Church on Tuesday afternoons between two and five o'clock, where she may be seen by any who need assistance.

The Guild Choir

The Guild choir has been most faithful in its attendance during the Lenten season just past. The average attendance at each service was 6. We divided the honors with the regular choir for the Wednesday evening services, taking each alternate Wednesday, except the last, which we took by request, owing to the shortage of time the regular choir had for rehearsals of the Easter music.

We were fortunate in having the confirmation services fall on our Wednesday evening and with the kindly assistance of a few from the regular choir, we turned out a choir of 22—and the music was most satisfactory.

The Rector paid us a most beautiful spiritual compliment on our efforts to keep up our end during the Lenten season, and those who were not present Easter even certainly missed something that can never be repeated to them.

The Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary has met each Friday afternoon through Lent and earnestly hopes to have some results of its efforts to display at the "exhibition tea."

It is most encouraging and delightful to note the increase in our numbers; when we started our meetings in November, we had but six members, and now we have twenty-two who come regularly and each week adds new names to our roll.

The Junior Auxiliary's attendance at the Friday afternoon services during Lent, is also a pleasing fact to note; the older girls looking after the little folks.

The Junior meetings will continue for some time.

Credit is due to the members of the Altar Guild for the beautiful arrangement of the flowers in the Church on Easter Day.

The side and the main Altars were each embedded in a mass of lilies and potted flowers, all given in memory of the blessed dead. After the services the flowers were taken to the sick in the Parish and in Hospitals.

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EDITORIAL

Easter morning was all that could be desired and the attendance at the three services most gratifying and impressive. Ninety-four members attended the Holy Communion at the early morning 6.30 service and one hundred and nine at the 7.30 service while at the 11 o'clock service one hundred and thirty-two, making a total of three hundred and thirty-five persons communicating on Easter Day. The Church was decorated as usual in a handsome but plain and reverential manner and appealed to all who in their hearts love Christ Church.

Meteorological Mystery

Did you ever notice the strangely mysterious effect of weather on piety? Sunday heat is hotter; Sunday cold is colder; Sunday rain is wetter than on other days, so that while on weekdays we are quite ready and able for business or pleasure that weekdays heat or cold or rain cannot keep us away from; we really can't get out to church on a Sunday! Strange, isn't it? Ever notice it?

We call to the attention of the young men of the Parish the Washington Lane lot and ask if a committee cannot be formed to take proper care of it during the coming summer. The lot could be made not only attractive and useful for those who play Tennis and other out-of-door games but a most sightly and pleasant approach to the church, particularly for those living in the upper portions of Germantown. It should be kept cleaned, grass cut, weeds pulled and in general made to look up-to-date and in keeping with the church. A most excellent beginning was made when hedge was planted and other improvements made but unfortunately the good work was not continued and by the end of the summer the lot looked most shabby. Who will volunteer for this work this season?

Expressions of appreciation are heard on all sides of the splendid service rendered at the daily Lenten services by the Guild Choir. With but few exceptions, the volunteers were most faithful in their daily attendance at the Lenten services and the music was excellently rendered.

Thank You

We are in receipt of the following letter in response to an appeal made in last number of the "Chimes." We deeply appreciate the kind interest of our friend. Are there not others in the Parish who will follow this generous example?

Germantown, March 28, 1913

Mr. Editor:

I saw in the last issue of "The Chimes" that there is a deficit and I will be very sorry if they cease to "ring." I am so deaf that I scarcely go to church and the little booklet gives me not only information but comfort; so I enclose in this one dollar to start the ball "a-rolling," for surely there must be many in the Parish who can give fifty or twenty-five cents to cover this. But I do not like the idea of our dear Rector having to ask for it. He has quite enough to shoulder.

Very truly yours,
(Mrs.)

The singing of the choir on Easter Sunday was most creditable in tune, tone and volume and we congratulate the members of the choir and its new leader, also the organist on the admirable results obtained in so short a time and under such unfavorable circumstances. We hope soon to see more men in the choir. For a long time the usual attendance of men has been but five and of these four were paid. This has never looked or seemed right or a credit to the church. We have been in churches where the sight of a numerous body of grown men in a mixed choir was most impressive and the sound of their singing most inspiring.

What a pity it is that either the men of our Church are unresponsive, unleadable, or they are not taken care of for there is not now one active men's society or Guild in the Parish. The neighborhood club is practically dead and has no meetings. The St. Andrew's Brotherhood is inactive, and month after month we have been unable to get any report of activities among or for the men of the Church. Why are the activities of the church among the women and a comparatively few of these, taking the number of communicants. How can any man come to the Solemn and Holy Communion, receive the help and blessing of Christ's Church and fail to ask himself what can I do to bring these comforts, helps, blessings to others. How can I help in the necessary organization of the Church. We remember asking one of the principal men of the Church to come to a proposed Church "Smoker" and his reply "Oh I enjoy my cigar more at home." Is this all there is in a meeting of the men of my cigar more at home." Is this all there is in a meeting of the men of the Parish? By faith and works men have moved mountains and there are mountains to be moved, gullies to be filled and rough places to be made smooth in every organization. Will not someone see that the men get together and soon?

The canvass for pledges to missions and Church support has brought out several objections to the envelope system. Some feel that a pledge should be made to God only and that no one should know, how much they give. The sufficient answer to this objection is that if everyone acted on such a principle the financial affairs of a Parish could not be successfully administered. The great trouble in the business management of our parishes is that vestries have no income guaranteed. The envelope system with its yearly pledge is simply an effort to right a wrong. It is a wrong to ask men to shoulder the responsibility of paying the running expenses of a church, pledges, apportionments, salaries, heat, repairs, etc., without knowing exactly where the money is to come from.

The great advantage of the weekly offering is that it enables those who have but little to give a considerable amount in the course of a year. Those who wish to give all at once, or quarterly or monthly should be careful to make their contributions on the weekly basis. If they do not there is great danger that their gifts will be surpassed by those who are much less able to give.

For example: Mr. A—may be imagined as saying, "I do not care to use the envelopes, I can't be bothered with them; but I will pledge \$5 a year for church support and \$1 a year for missions." But in this, Mr. A—is getting off too easily, for some of our younger communicants give ten cents a week for church support and five cents a week for missions, which means \$5.20 a year for the one and \$2.60 for the other.

All of which shows that there should be a good deal of careful thought and earnest prayer in regard to this matter of the envelope system and the pledge.

"Let every one do according as he is disposed in his heart not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7.

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PARISH GUILDS

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Guild Choir

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Burials

March 6—Charles O. Roop
March 10—Ellen Rutter McFadden

Baptisms

Mar. 9—Julius Inches Morrison
Charles Judson Cotton
Robert Rolins Kenworthy
Sarah Kirk Murdock
Isabelle Mae Sauter
Marian Binns
Beulah Belle Moore
Marian Moore
Mar. 22—Richard Elmer Mallony
Walter Ernest Wilcox, Jr.
Rosina May Taylor
Marguerite Catherine Levins
McElhinney

I Ought! I Can! I Will!

Every duty to be performed, every responsibility to be met, every privilege to be enjoyed, requires three steps—each step the result of an appeal to a man's nobler nature; a proper response to which brings success in life, while refusal to heed its voice speaks failure.

The first appeal is made to **Conscience**,—to arouse the sense of duty, to make a man take the first step and say: I ought to do it!

The second appeal is made to **Ambition**—to give a man confidence—to make him feel equal to the task, to make him say: I can do it!

The third appeal is made to **Manliness**—to cause a man to consecrate his talents, his time, his thoughts, his efforts to the task; to make him take the third and all important step and resolve: I will do it!

This three fold appeal gives Lent its meaning—a season devoted to give a new start in life, to lift the life to a higher plane, to bring to it a spiritual influx.

To do this, the Church sets forth this Season of Lent and calls on its members to employ certain "means of grace." Without these means of grace the purposes of Lent cannot be accomplished.

Prayer is the first means of grace, without which Lent will be a failure. Did any man ever succeed in any enterprise whatever, who did not keep it in

his mind and make it the burden of his expressed desire? It is the first element in success. This same rule obtains in the religious life. A man must strengthen his desire for spiritual things, and for a nobler life, by prayer. Lent now makes the appeal to every one and the response must be: I ought to pray! I can pray! I will pray!

The second means of grace is **Fasting**—the companion of prayer. Fasting and Prayer is found throughout all Scriptures, both in the old Testament and the New. Christ fasted and the Apostles followed His example. To fast for a purpose always strengthens that purpose. If one would follow in the footsteps of Christ he will say: I ought to fast! I can; I will!

Self Examination is another means of Grace to be employed during Lent; not a morbid introspection, but a careful, thoughtful, conscientious examination. "Taking Stock" is a familiar term to every practical business man. It is the annual drawing of balances—the study of the condition of business—a profit and loss—the determination of methods for future success. Every persons needs to take account of the gains and the losses to character through contact with the world—to make a careful reckoning of present conditions with a view to better results in the future. Lent affords this opportunity. It emphasizes Self Examination; and realizing the value of careful, honest, conscientious, self examination every one who really seeks spiritual growth will reply; I ought! I can! I will!

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
} 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

After Lent and Easter there is often a tendency, among some sort of Churchmen, to fall away from the high standard of Christian work and Church attendance which the holy season of Lent inspires. It is encouraging to note that there has not been an appreciable decrease in attendance on the part of the members of Christ Church during the past month and that, with but few exceptions, the members of the Parish are not neglecting their Communion. There are some, however, who are falling away from their high estate and are allowing such excuses as, "friends coming to visit us," "week end outings," "automobile excursions" and such unwarranted diversions to keep them away from the House of God on the Lord's Day. How insidiously all these "excuses" work to draw away Christian people from their duty to God! How easy it is, especially in these Spring days, gradually to lull our consciences to sleep and not to hear the voice of God speaking in our souls!

A Parable

"Father," said a boy of 14, "what is a parable?" The father, who was reading comfortably the big five-cent Sunday newspaper after breakfast, looked up as if taken by surprise. He had just got through reading the extracts of some political speeches delivered on Saturday, glanced over the graphic account of the latest scandal, and was just getting deeply interested in the lively descriptions on the sporting

page. He was really not prepared for that question, and he tried to conceal his embarrassment when he felt the boy's eyes looking at him in earnest expectation. "A parable," he said slowly, as if trying to collect his thoughts, "a parable is a story taken from life to convey a religious lesson." "Is this a parable?" said the boy, pointing to an open Bible before him. "Read it," said the father, with a show of interest. And the boy read the following: "A certain man made a great supper; and he bade many; and he sent forth his servants at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a field, and I must needs go out and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. And the servant came and told his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor and maimed and blind and lame. And the servant said, Lord, what thou didst command is done, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto his servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and constrain them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, that none of those

men that were bidden shall taste of my supper." (Luke 14:16-24.)

When the boy stopped, the father said, after a pause: "Yes, my boy, this is a parable." "And who spoke it?" "Our Saviour," answered the father thoughtfully. "And what is the lesson, father?" persisted the boy. "The lesson, the lesson, well, our Lord sought, and still seeks, to make us see and feel the love of God for men, and also to what extent such a love is shown in our behalf. Moreover, to make us see and feel, in contrast, our shallow indifference and stupid ingratitude. My boy I hear our Church bell ring. It is the message which the Master sends, 'Come, for all things are now ready.' We shall take the trip to the park some other time. You and I will go to Church this morning, and partake of the feast which our Lord and Master has made ready in the Church which He has purchased with His Blood for all who love and fear God."

On that Sunday morning there were two more at the Holy Communion in Christ Church, Germantown. It was an inspiring sight to see the father and son kneeling side by side.

The children of the Sunday School placed on the altar \$150.00 as the result of their Lenten savings and sacrifices. This offering will go to Missions and will apply on our apportionment. When we consider that this amount was not realized from entertainments, "sales" or "shows," but was the result of personal giving in some cases at much sacrifice, certainly the members of the School are to be congratulated on their Lenten efforts. Personal service, whatever form it may take, is the highest expression of Christian faith. If we can educate our children up to this point, that Christianity consists not in faith alone, but in work in the spread of the Kingdom of Christ on earth, then we are bringing into their lives a power for good that will be to them a source of the greatest and highest and most abiding happiness in the years to come and will bring to others the power of Christian example, which means the furtherance of the Kingdom of good, the spread of the

Kingdom of Christ on earth. The Rector commends the officers, teachers and scholars of our Sunday School on their splendid example of personal sacrifice.

Is Our Church Catholic and Should Its Name be Changed?

The Vestry have caused to be distributed in the pews of the Church the following circular letters, addressed to the members of the Parish.

Christ Church, Germantown
Phila., April 15th, 1913

Dear Sir:

At the Diocesan Convention to be held this Spring the change of the name of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America to "The American Catholic Church," or "The Catholic Church in America" or some other name of like import may be considered.

The Lay Delegates from this Parish to that Convention have been chosen by the Vestrymen, elected by you on Easter Monday.

Your Vestry believes that any such change in name as above mentioned is of such grave importance to the Church, that the instructions of the qualified electors of this Parish should be given to their representatives in the Convention as to their action thereon.

We, therefore request that you will indicate by your signature upon one or the other of the attached blanks, your wish in this matter and return the same at your earliest convenience to Mr. Francis B. Faulkner, Secretary of the Vestry, No. 48 W. Tulpehocken St., Germantown.

The Vestry of the Christ Church, Gtn.
By Francis B. Faulkner, Secretary

I favor the proposed change of name of the Church

I oppose the proposed change of name of the Church

In consideration of the Vestry's letter the Rector desires to make extended comment.

As this letter indicates, its purpose is to ascertain the wish of the members of the Parish in regard to the subject of the proposed change of name of the Church. This question, of course, will not come up for consideration before the Convention of this or any other Diocese this year, but will probably be proposed at the General Convention of the whole Church, which will be held in New York City next October.

Our Diocesan Convention will meet in this city the second week of May, at which time delegates to the General Convention will be elected by the representatives sent from the various Parishes of the Diocese. These Diocesan delegates to the General Convention will therefore, vote on this question of the change of name, should it come up before the Convention.

The proposition is to substitute for the present local title of our Church, "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America" the generic title, "The American Catholic Church." It is needless to state to the intelligent mind that the word "Catholic" is here used in its historic sense and is not synonymous with "Roman" or "Roman Catholic." Webster defines "Catholic" to mean "Universal or General, as the Catholic faith." "This epithet," says Webster's Dictionary is rightly applied to the whole Christian Church, although it has been claimed exclusively by the Church of Rome, to which it is often limited." The word Catholic is an historic word and connotes "Apostolic." The word cannot, in the face of history or of reason, be narrowed down to "Roman," although, it must be admitted, to some minds the two are interchangeably associated.

Writes an eminent authority: "when the present name, Protestant Episcopal church, was adopted in 1789, after the American Revolution, it was necessary to identify that body of clergy and laity, who formerly had been members of the Apostolic Church of England and who purposed thereafter, as an organization, to maintain the same doctrine, discipline and worship which they had previously practiced."

They were not Roman Catholics, holding allegiance to the foreign Bishop of Rome, they were not Presbyterians, recognizing only two orders of the ministry, they were not the followers of Luther, nor were they Baptists or Methodists. They were not identified by law, as their mother Church of England was, and therefore could not call themselves the church of the Republic. To distinguish themselves from other bodies of Christians they chose the name which we still bear.

In their form of order they were "Episcopal," that is, holding to the historic form of government, found in the time of the Apostles—the historic Episcopate; and this distinguished them from the Protestant Communions of the later centuries, which do not lay claim to Apostolic continuity; Roman they certainly were not, and this distinguished them from the Papal Communion. They adopted the word "Episcopal," to mark them off on the one side; and in the absence of any other commonly-accepted term, they adopted the word "Protestant" to mark them off on the other side. Our present name, therefore, bears with it the history of the strenuous conditions of the time, when "protesting," on the one hand, against the absurd and false claims made by the Roman Church, against which the Catholic spirit in the Church has always "protested," and on the other hand, emphasizing, in the word "Episcopal," (which means "Bishop,") the historic Episcopate, or the three orders of the ministry, which was the order of the early Apostolic Church. Our name, "Protestant Episcopal," historically considered, stands for a mean between two extremes—or the true Catholic position.

Our name, however, "Protestant Episcopal" is not such as we can believe would have commended itself to the early Apostolic Church. Different parts of the one church of the Apostolic days were identified by some geographical or national term, indicating where they were found; for example in the Book of Revelation, "the Church of Sardis," "the Church in Philadelphia," etc. To apply to any group or section a personal or a doctrinal, or a descriptive designation was equivalent to branding it as a sect; and to the mind of the undivided Church a sect connoted heresy or schism.

"Yet," says a writer in a recent issue of the "Churchman" we did not intend to become and we deny that we are a sect.

"We hold the Catholic faith, we maintain the Catholic order, and we practice the Catholic worship. We claim, and of right we occupy, our place as part of the "Catholic," "Uni-

versal," "Apostolic" church. To a large and increasing proportion of our Communion it now appears a misfortune that we are identified by a sectarian name."

On the other hand we would say that it does not follow that necessity or expediency now requires a change of name. For a century and a quarter we have been doing our work for Christ, not as we wish we had, not so as we may boast of it, but such as it is and God has blessed it far beyond its deserts. However our opinion as to the suitableness of our name may differ, we are one in our love for the communion to which we belong. Upon the question of changing the name under which hitherto our work, has been done, a large proportion of our number, whether more or less than half does not matter, believe that a change of name would be detrimental to the cause which all have at heart. A change at the present time might shake the allegiance of some (unreasonably it may be) because they fear it might denote a repudiation of certain principles which they believe to be inseparable from the truth of the Gospel. It certainly would grieve many. Whatever their various reasons, the fact is that a great body of our people, important for their numbers, conspicuous for their piety, shining examples for their devoted and unselfish service, while their minds are open to conviction, are not yet convinced that a change is desirable.

The time may come when some great religious impulse will make it clear that we can serve God and advance His kingdom more effectively if we renounce the present name, from which so many shrink as sectarian, and assume some other designation which connects us more obviously with the Universal Body of Christ, the Church in which we believe: One, Catholic and Apostolic, including in it all faithful followers of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. God speed that day, but the time has not yet come. In our impatience we must not force the time, but must abide His waiting. In the meantime we must pray and labor and love. Until that day let us all continue to pray the prayer of our Prayer

Book, "that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in the righteousness of life," so that finally our Lord's own prayer may be answered that we "all may be one in Him, even as He is one with the Father."

Our Missionary Apportionment and the Envelope System

As is known, perhaps, to most of our parishioners, the Board of Missions of our Church, in order to meet the needs of the great Missionary work of the Church, has appointed to the several Dioceses of the land, a certain definite amount for each Diocese to contribute annually toward the general missionary fund. The Dioceses in turn, look to the parishes within their respective boundaries, to raise the apportionment placed upon them. The apportionment of the Diocese of Pennsylvania is \$125,000 and of this amount Christ Church Parish is asked to contribute the annual minimum sum of \$1,650.00.

In addition to this amount our Parish is assessed, and has always been prompt in paying in full annually to the Convocation of Germantown and the Sustentation Fund, the sum of \$250. This latter amount goes toward the support of Mission work within our own Diocese. Therefore the aggregate amount which we are asked to give each year for Missions is \$1,900.00.

Every one recognizes, of course, that the great work of the Church of Christ is carrying the Gospel—"the Good News"—to others. That means Missions. It is our Lord's command. Every Christian will therefore, want to share in this work and to do his or her part, however little that may be, in the furtherance of the Kingdom of Christ on earth. The Missionary apportionment that is assigned to Christ Church should be shared in by every one, old and young, rich and poor, who prays the prayer our Lord taught us to pray—"Thy Kingdom Come."

To this end—that everyone may give something—regularly, conscientiously, systematically, the "duplex envelope" has been introduced into the

Parish, which permits each attendant to give in one side of the envelope, "to the support of the Parish," and in the other side, "to the support of Missions." By this method no one in the Parish is slighted and the privilege is extended, as it ought to be extended to all.

The members of Christ Church will not, we are sure, want our Parish to be behind others in doing our Christian duty. Every member will want to share in this great work of the church and do whatever they can in carrying out our Lord's command—"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

At present only a little over two hundred envelope packages have been taken out. There should be, at least, twice that number of envelope subscribers. The envelopes, as has been said, have in them two small "pockets"—one for the weekly contribution for the "support of the Parish," the other for "Missions."

Pledge cards for these purposes may be found in the vestibule of the church. Every one is invited to take one of these cards and check on the card the amount of weekly offering. The Rector would advise that each one pledge a smaller rather than a larger amount, and then, subsequently if circumstances allow, to increase the pledge. It is better to give a small amount regularly and systematically and continuously rather than to give a large amount irregularly or spasmodically.

When these pledge cards are received—and they may be placed on the alms basin at any service or given to the Rector—a package of envelopes, fifty two in number, one for each Sunday of the year, all bearing a number, will be sent to each and that will be set down opposite each name on this year's list of contributors.

The envelopes may be turned in regularly or intermittently. The ideal way, of course, would be for everyone to be at service every Sunday and to make their offering regularly weekly. If, by any chance, a person is not present one Sunday, or several Sundays, set aside the offering weekly at home and then at the first opportunity, give the total amount and it will be credited to the account of each person.

There is every reason why this sys-

tem should be extended to every man, woman and child in this congregation. It is the best method yet devised, both for the good of the Parish and for the individual. It insures a regular income by which the Vestry can meet the obligation of the Parish in the local needs and in its charitable and missionary endeavors, and also,—and this is the most important of all—it fosters a spirit of systematic, conscientious giving to the work of the Church of Christ and inculcates the principle of individual, personal responsibility, which is one of the most important elements in Christian character.

What is That in Thine Hand?

"What is that in thine hand, Abel?" "Nothing but a wee lamb, O God, taken from the flock. I purpose offering it to Thee, a willing sacrifice." And so he did; and the sweet smell of that burnt offering has been filling the air ever since, and constantly going up to God as a perpetual sacrifice of praise.

"What is it thou hast in thine hand, Moses?" "Nothing but a staff, O God, with which I tend my flock." "Take it, and use it for Me." And he did; and with it wrought more wondrous things than Egypt and her proud king had ever seen before.

"Mary, what is it that thou hast in thine hand?" "Nothing but a pot of sweet-smelling ointment, O God, wherewith I would anoint Thine Holy One called Jesus." And so she did; and not only did the perfume fill all the house in which they were, but the Bible-reading world has been fragrant with the memory of this blessed act of love, which has ever since been spoken of "for a memorial of her."

"Poor woman, what is that thou hast in thine hand?" "Only two mites, Lord. It is very little; but then it is all I have and I would put it into Thy treasury." And so she did; and the story of her generous giving has ever since wrought like a charm in prompting others to give to the Lord.

"What is that thou hast in thine hand, Dorcas?" "Only a needle, Lord." "Take it, and use it for Me." And so she did; and not only were the suffering poor of Joppa warmly clad, but, inspired by her loving life, Christian sewing women continue their benign mission to the poor throughout the world.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title 11; Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion } Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
 Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
 Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
 Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
 Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
 Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock.
 Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for May

May 1st—Ascension Day
 St. Philips and St. James
 May 4th—Sunday after Ascension
 May 11th—Whitsunday
 May 12th—Whitsun-Monday
 May 13th—Whitsun-Tuesday
 May 14th—Ember Day
 May 16th—Ember Day
 May 17th—Ember Day
 May 18th—Trinity Sunday
 May 25th—First Sunday after Trinity

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

March 29—Jean Thompson Aull

April 4—David MacNaughton

April 7—Mary Lillian Gomersall

The woman's Auxiliary closed its season of good work and profitable influence by shipping 173 new garments supplemented by some splendid second-hand clothing and 37 yards of new material to the Blue Ridge Industrial School under the care of Rev. George P. Mayo. Through the kindness of Mr. Morrison, the Pennsylvania R. R. carried it through free of freight charges.

Previous to packing the above made and collected articles, the Women's Auxiliary gave a tea in the Parish House to which all the congregation were invited. The room was decorated with the articles made and the Mothers' Meeting, the Girls' Friendly and the Junior Auxiliary were asked to have a part in the exhibition of their work of the past season.

Tea was served during the afternoon Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. Woodroffe, presiding over the bubbling and cheery urns.

A cake and candy table—the contents of which were donated—realized quite a neat little sum and altogether it proved a very pleasant and social occasion.

We are looking forward to a fine season next year with our members largely augmented.

L. J.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club held its annual meeting March 27th, at the Church House, 12th and Walnut Sts. Reports of the various Parishes were made, all moneys collected handed in, and the Secretary's report read. Philadelphia now has 81 well established branches and the work is growing splendidly. But does it not seem a pity that out of a parish the size of Christ Church, your Secretary could report but 51 contributors, and but \$8.50 in money to help push along a work that not only brings help and comfort to the minds of the recipients but also strongly aids and encourages our good workers in the out of the way places. Don't forget your Secretary's name and address. It will be found among the Parish Organizations in the Christ Church Chimes. L. J.

Men's Canvass Committee

At a meeting of the Vestry some time ago, the question of Parish financing was a subject of discussion and the Vestrymen generally deplored the necessity almost every Rector in the Church is subject to, of begging from the Chancel to urge the congregation to do their duty, financially, towards carrying on the work of the Church.

It was decided to appoint a committee of men to canvass the parish systematically, to urge the extension of the duplex envelope system in order that the expenses of the parish may be met regularly and amply and also that our apportionment to the Board of Missions may be met; all this without the necessity of an unusual effort at Easter time to meet a deficit.

It is easy to see how simple a matter it may be made to meet our apportionment to the Board of Missions when we realize that an average of six cents for Missions each Sunday from each communicant will result in our giving to our Board of Missions more than they have asked of us to enable our Church to spread the Word of God to all parts of the earth as Christ has instructed us to do. It is hoped that every one, who through thoughtlessness or carelessness has not met his share of this duty in the past, will send in his pledge card and help. K. R. R.

Monthly Evening Hymn Service

It is very gratifying to note the increase of attendance at the Sunday evening services, particularly by our young people. This is as it should be. It is to be hoped that the coming warm weather will in no wise make us derelict in our Christian duty of attendance upon Divine worship. God never rests, the church never takes a vacation, the powers of evil follow the summer voyager whithersoever he may wander, and consequently we, as devout Churchmen, cannot afford to indulge in any spiritual vacation from attendance upon the means of grace. Beginning the first Sunday evening in May and continuing thereafter on the first Sunday evening of each month there will be inaugurated a service of hymn worship to take the place of the customary sermon. Old familiar hymns will be sung and appropriate remarks made from the Chancel on their spiritual significance. A marked fault with us all is to sing the hymns of the Church oftentimes with but little regard for the devotional sentiment expressed by the words. By this interesting and worshipful service of hymn worship we trust that a deeper spirit of wisdom may partake this important part of our worship.

Girls' Friendly Society

During Lent the members of our branch have enthusiastically devoted their evenings to sewing on infants clothes, which, through the Diocesan organization of the Society will be sent to the Sheltering Arms. There are seven complete outfits together with a number of additional garments. These were on exhibition at the very successful informal tea held on April 5th, in the Parish House. The annual service of all the branches in the Diocese was held at Holy Trinity Church, April 24th. Further account of this will be published later.

At the Easter social, a spoon, on the handle of which is the Girls' Friendly Society emblem, was given to Miss Morgan, the Branch Secretary.

O. G. K.

Vestment Guild

For the last two years the Vestry has provided the money necessary for keeping up the Choir Vestments. It is given in quarterly payments of \$6.25 Making \$25.00 a year. This has made the work of the Vestment Guild much more comfortable than it was when we did not know how much we could have and often put off getting any new vestments until the old ones were practically falling to pieces and a large outlay was necessary at one time. Now we supply a few at a time, as our money accumulates enough to pay for them. And we hope never to be in such dire straits as three years ago, when 20 women's gowns had to be made as quickly as possible. This winter we learned that vestments imported from England, came in as church property, without duty and would cost about half as much as we would have to pay here; so we ordered three men's cassocks and one cotta, and are now waiting their arrival. We were told the other day by an English woman, they would not be finished off as well as ours, but we will judge of that when we see them. Cassocks made here cost \$8.50, those imported of the same quality are \$3.85. We hope they will prove satisfactory so we can continue to get them in the same way.

G. F. P.

The Junior Auxiliary held its last meeting April eighteenth, and as the work on hand had been finished, decided to close until next fall. The older girls have been making children's clothes which are to be sent to Canana, Alaska—the younger ones have been stringing beads, pasting doll-houses and scrap books.

The attendance during the past year has been more regular than in former years and a greater interest has been shown. The work accomplished has been very satisfactory. We hope to start our work again in the fall and to continue with even greater success.

R. H.

Men's Meeting

A very pleasant and interesting meeting of Men was held in the Parish House on Friday evening, April 11th. An interesting address was delivered by George Wharton Pepper, Esq. and an instructive talk was given by our Vestryman, Mr. George M. Morgn. Mr. James M. Woodroffe, presided and refreshments were served by the ladies. The tables were beautifully decorated and great credit is due to the ladies who generously assisted the men in making the meeting a success. The ladies were happy to welcome on that evening, Mrs. George Wharton Pepper, who accompanied her husband from the city.

As a general invitation to attend this meeting was extended to all the men in the Parish it was greatly regretted that more men did not respond. There were fifty seven men present. These social gatherings of the men are very pleasant and interesting occasions and it is hoped that the meetings will be held more often and that there will be a larger attendance on the part of the men.

Daughters of the King

Since our last report to the Chimes, one of our beloved members, Miss M. L. Gomersall has been called home to the blessed Lord after an illness of over two years. While we mourn with her family, we know she is now free from suffering and enjoying that more abundant life which our Lord died to give.

On Tuesday, May 20th, Christ Church chapter of the Daughters of the King will entertain the Local Assembly of this Diocese.

The afternoon meeting will be held at 4.30 P. M. and will be addressed by Mrs. Albert E. Clay, and Miss Behlen-dorff, of New York, General Secretary of the Order. The sermon in the evening will be preached by the Rev. John B. Harding, of St. Mark's Church, Frankford. The members of the Parish are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

E. L. M.

Altar Guild

On Thursday evening, April third, the Altar Guild, having Mr. Arndt and Mr. Gernand as their guests, held their annual supper at the home of Mrs. Wm. Avery, on West Tulpehocken Street. Although it has been the custom of the Guild to meet socially once a year never has there been a gathering more enjoyable than the one just held. Sincere thanks are extended to Mrs. Avery for her hospitality and to those who helped so wonderfully in making the affair such a success.

With the approach of summer, members of the Guild will gradually leave Germantown for other places but, nevertheless, the work of the Guild goes on just the same and it will rest with those at home to see that the work is properly done each week.

Then comes the question of flowers—a most important question. There are no doubt many persons in the congregation who have any quantity of flowers in their gardens during these summer months and would not miss a few were they placed upon the Altar on Sunday. The Guild would gladly welcome and appreciate any contributions of flowers and earnestly desire that the members of the church will bear this fact in mind.

The following is the list of memorial flowers for the month of May:

Miss Kate Allen—May 4th
Mrs. Lapworth—May 11th
Mrs. Walter Crowder—May 25th

H. P. D.

The Mother's Meeting

The last meeting of the year will be held at the home of Mrs. Morrison on Friday, May the ninth, to which all members are most cordially invited.

The annual report will be read at this time after which there will be music and light refreshments.

As the meetings have not been discontinued for the year; when this goes to press, it is impossible to publish a report of the years work. The statement of the receipt and expenses, attendance and other items of interest will be published in the next issue.

A. M. M.

Don't Miss This

The S. S. C. wish to announce that on Wednesday evening, May 14th, they will present in the Parish House a play entitled "1999." This play is an exceedingly funny and clever farce by Anthony E. Wills, and we can promise all who attend an interesting evening and a good laugh.

The proceeds of this play are to go to the Parish House Improvement Fund, but the expenses owing to the necessity of procuring scenery, etc., are going to be unusually heavy, and a full house is greatly needed. You have perhaps noticed our advertisement in the advertising section of the Chimes, or you may have seen one of the circulars which we have been endeavoring to place in the hands of all members of the Parish. These only go to show how hard we are working to get a crowd. The last time we gave a play we received very generous support, but this time we want better—not so much because we deserve it, as because we need it.

So don't forget the 14th of May. We want you to come and will promise you that you won't spend any dry evening.

W. A. A.

Guild Choir

The Lenten Season having passed the Guild Choir's work is over for this Spring. We hope in the fall to have regular rehearsals and be able to do better work in the coming winter. I am sorry all members were not at the Easter Even service for our dear Rector spoke to us in a way we can never forget.

We have six dollars in the Treasury with which to buy Hymnals.

N. L. M.

By religion I mean the power, whatever it be, which makes a man choose what is hard rather than what is easy, what is lofty and noble rather than what is mean and selfish; that puts courage into timorous hearts, and gladness into clouded spirits; that consoles men in grief, misfortune, and disappointment; that makes them joyfully accept a heavy burden; that, in a word, uplifts men out of the dominion of material things, and sets their feet in a purer and simpler region.—A. B. Benson

Report of Wm. R. Pugh

Accounting Warden

March 24th to April 24th, inc.

Balance	\$1866.80
Easter Offering	152.00
Pew Rents	7.50
Plate Offerings	61.73
Envelopes	178.77
Missions	38.60
Special Offerings	50.42
Chelton Trust Co. Interest on deposit	6.34

\$2,362.16

By Salaries	\$591.36
Interest on mortgage	12.50
Convocation of Gtn.	190.00
Chelton Trust Co. (note)	505.06
Episcopal and Convention Fund	181.81
W. J. Cowden Co. (coal bill)	349.75
Episcopal Hospital	40.50
Aged and Infirm Clergy	116.98
Elec. and Gas Lighting	26.90
Supplies	1.00
Laundry	3.00
Bal in Bank	343.30

\$2,362.16

Will Some Kind Friend or Friends Respond?

We reprint below an article from last month's Chimes. Will not some kind friend or friends respond? Read this:

There are several things greatly needed in our Parish and opportunities are afforded for some good, kind, generous persons to interest themselves and in a practical way do something for the Parish. One of the objects, enumerated below can be undertaken by some person, or group of persons; another object can be undertaken by others, and if several persons or groups of persons can be interested, all of the below mentioned objects can be accomplished this Spring. Who will lead off? Here is the list:

1st. The Church exterior walls need repenciling and the stone work in places is badly in need of repair.

Who will do it or help do it?

2d. The Church interior walls need refinishing and redecorating.

Who will do it or help do it?

3rd. Electric lights are badly needed to properly lighten the Church interior.

terior.

Who will do it or help do it?

4th. The woodwork in the Church needs to be finished to harmonize with Chancel.

Who will do it or help do it?

5th. The Sunday School room needs new seats adaptable for audience room.

Who will do it or help do it?

6th. The interior of the Rectory is in need of repairs, papering and paint.

Who will do it or help do it?

Generously disposed persons, who desire further information will be given "the glad hand" and "a right royal welcome" if they will apply to any member of the Vestry or to the Rector.

Who will take the lead?

A college man hung pictures in his room which offended his mother's sense of propriety. She asked her son to hang up a copy of Hofmann's picture of the Face of the Boy Christ. When other college men asked for the other pictures, and why they had been taken from the walls, the collegian replied that his mother's gift and the other pictures could not hang together in the same room. So, hang up the image of Christ in our hearts and other pictures will be cast out, for they do not find place in the same heart and in the same life.

Wants

Applications when satisfactory to the Rector, will be inserted in this column for two months, free of charge.

Boarding

Rooms and board on W. Haines St. Very reasonable. Refer to Rector

Rooms and board. Pomona Terrace Refer to Rector

Large room and board with refined family. Refer to Rector

Governess

Position wanted by young woman, College graduate, cultured, refined. Will act as governess or companion for lady. Refer to Rector

Position Wanted

Young married man, with small family desires position as clerk, accountant, or canvasser.

Refer to Rector

Parish Organization

Rector

The REV CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

Rector Emeritus

The REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.,

Curate

The Rev. Howard W. Gernand

Parish Visitor

Mrs. Laura H. Dayton

Wardens

Rector's Warden—James M. Woodroffe
Accounting Warden—William R. Pugh

Vestrymen

Charles W. Schwartz Henry R. Baremore
Sheldon Potter Richard H. Morris
Wm. N. Johnson, M.D. Charles Heyer
Francis B. Falkner George T. Morgan
O. N. Middleton Keith R. Rodney
Secretary—Francis B. Falkner

Delegates to Diocesan Convention and Germantown Convocation

Sheldon Potter Richard H. Morris
William R. Pugh

Organist and Choirmaster

Chime Master

Edward K. Miles

Verger

Stephen Underwood, 62 Church Lane

SUNDAY SCHOOL

(Meets 9.30 A. M.)

Superintendent—George T. Morgan

Associate Superintendent—O. N. Middleton

Secretary—C. Lamar Hayhurst

Treasurer—O. N. Middleton

Librarian—

Morning Bible Class—Colonel Sheldon Potter

Afternoon Bible Class—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore

Young Men's Bible Class—Meetings: Every Sunday Morning, 9.45; 3rd Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Director—Rev. H. W. Gernand

Main School

Teachers

Mrs. H. Adkins Miss Martha Insinger
Mr. Henry B. Baker Mr. Chas. H. Jackson
Mr. Thomas M. Bains Mr. Richard H. Morris
Mr. John F. Davidson Miss Phyllis Morgan
Mrs. Laura H. Dayton Miss Bessie Nutt
Miss Mary Dahl Miss Virginia Thacher
Miss Margaret Falkner Miss Maud Wismer
Mr. John Gallagher Mrs. T. Lawrence
Miss Haley Col. Sheldon Potter
Miss Kirkland Mrs. Stanley Wilcox

Intermediate School

Mrs. Rittenhouse Reaver, Principal
Miss Helen Donlevy Miss Woodroffe
Miss Ruth Henderson Miss Middleton
Miss C. A. Woodroffe

Primary School

Mrs. Charles Heyer, Principal
Miss Virginia Morrison
Miss Emily Palne
Miss Regina Baremore

Teachers Meeting

(Second Monday in the month)

George T. Morgan

Cradle Roll

Miss Mary Dahl

PARISH GUILDS

Altar Guild

(Meeting Second Monday in Month, 3 P. M.)
Directress—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore
Vice Directress—Mrs. William H. Avery
Secretary—Miss Helen P. Donlevy
Treasurer—Miss Frances Cooley

Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

(Meeting, First Thursday in month, 8 P. M.)
Director—Charles H. Jackson
Secretary—

Boys' Club

Managers—Mr. John Davidson, Mr. Keith B. Rodney

Christ Church Club

(Meetings, Second Wednesday, 8 P. M.)

President—Charles H. Jackson

Secretary—

Treasurer—Samuel Baxter

Christ Church Club (Ladies' Auxiliary)

(Meetings Second Thursday, 8 P. M.)

President—Miss Olive G. Kirkland

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Physical versus Psychical

Every season of the year brings its joys and perils. By the time this number reaches our readers the summer season will have begun. It is the season for outdoor life when the young and old alike prepare for times of pleasure. Steamboat and railroad companies vie with one another in offering attractive inducements to beautiful and healthful resorts, not only during the six days of the week, but more and more are they encroaching upon the Sabbath. Here is a positive danger to civilization. The peril lies in our giving up so readily to the physical demands of our nature. That the body needs nurturing and recreating is not to be denied for a moment. But what about the soul, the real part of us? How much time are we devoting to nourishing and recreating the soul? Is it not true that many a man who goes out in search of bodily health is actually suffering from the effects of an impoverished soul?

Would it not be well for us during the coming summer months to endeavor to build up our psychical nature as well as our physical nature? Let us spend a portion of each day in the reading of some religious book, or better still "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" each day certain portions of the Bible, so that our souls may receive that refreshment and strength that they so much need.

Baptism

It is an encouraging sign of the times—a sign that there is beginning to be a reaction against the loose latitudinarianism in Christian doctrine and practice that has prevailed so widely among certain types of mind within the past five years—it is an encouraging sign of the times when strong articles written by laymen are appearing from time to time emphasizing certain cardinal principles of the faith. Among other valuable contributions written by distinguished laymen the Rector has received a little brochure on "Baptism." The writer, a layman of Virginia, deplores the tendency of the times to neglect or postpone this Sacrament and then adds:

"Holding baptism to be only a badge or uniform in which to fight for Christ as a soldier wears his uniform; and as the uniform does not make the soldier, neither does baptism make the Christian; holding it to be only an initiatory rite into their communions and not essential to salvation, they do not consider it necessary to administer it to children, to sick people, to people in deserts and frozen countries, and that these can get along just as well without baptism, living or dying.

Our Saviour did not say this. He said baptize all nations, and we do not see how man can change this and do just as he pleases, baptizing where he pleases and refusing it where he pleases.

If baptism is not an essential feature in the plan of salvation, but only a badge or uniform to put on or leave off as one pleases, it would be difficult to understand such quotations as these:

"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, he that believeth not shall be damned." (Mark xvi:16.)

"Even baptism doth now save us." I Pet. iii. 21. "He saved us by the washing (baptism) of regeneration." (Titus iii:5.)

"Arise and be baptized and wash away your sins." (Acts xxii:16.)

"For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." (Gal. iii:27.)

"Know ye not that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death, therefore we are buried with him by baptism unto death, that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Rom. xi:3-4.)

"Jesus answered, verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the spirit he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." (John iii:5.)

"John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins." (Mark i:4 and Luke iii:3.)

And the very first sermon that was ever preached was by St. Peter on the day of Pentecost in which his doctrine was:

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins." (Acts ii:38.)

"Now in all courtesy, in all charity, pray tell us why St. Peter should preach baptism for the remission of sins? St. Peter says it was, and he preached it too, immediately after having spent forty days with Jesus listening to the things pertaining to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Who dares say that baptism is not for the remission of sins when St. Peter and the Bible say it is?

It does not matter how much individuals and Christian denominations which deny baptism to infants, may

think and feel that baptism is not necessary—no matter how objectionable baptismal regeneration may seem to them—the Bible says Baptism is for the remission of sins. This is not our construction of it. It is the plain letter of the Bible that says so. It is just as much harm to take from the Bible as it is to add to it, and if baptism is for the remission of sins it occupies a far higher place in the plan of salvation than simply a badge or uniform which may be received or rejected as one may please.

If these passages above quoted do not mean that baptism is a saving Sacrament, then what do they mean? And let me ask you seriously and solemnly and may you so regard the question: If these do mean that our Saviour did institute this Sacrament to have a real saving part in His plan of Salvation, what is to become of those who are responsible for those who are not brought to baptism. * * * "Would it not be safer, to say the least, to act on the theory, that it is essential, because then we would have both chances; if it is essential we would have done our duty. If it is not essential we have certainly done no harm."

The above words from the pen of a laymen—a distinguished lawyer—carry with them weight and conviction and indicate that there is an awakening on the part of the intelligent laity of our land; a reaction against the indifference to religious ordinances and Sacraments which has threatened the very foundation of our faith.

Ex-President Taft put a sermon in a sentence at a recent Missionary meeting when he said: "I know a great many people opposed to foreign missions, in fact, who religiously, if you can use the word, refuse to contribute to them. I confess that there was a time when I was enjoying a smug provincialism and had some of these feelings, but they left me when I went to the Orient. I never realized the immense importance of foreign missions until that time." The

reason so many men in the churches are not interested in missions, and even religiously, oppose them is because of their narrow, artificial horizon. They know the points of their creed, but not the thirty-two points of the compass. Where there is no vision the people perish.

The average church-member will never realize the immense importance of foreign missions until he catches the vision of the Orient. Japan, Korea, China, India, Egypt, must cease to be mere geographical terms in the preacher's vocabulary, and be made to stand out vividly as a vision of God and a call for service. The best collect for the church that is suffering from smug provincialism is the one used by the men by the wayside at Jericho, "Lord, that our eyes might be opened." Mr. Taft is right. "We have got to wake this country up to the fact that there are other people in the world besides us, people who have been thrust upon us and who need our time, money and help. You can not study the nations, but you will realize that Christianity is the hope of modern civilization for Christianity is the true democracy." The church is universal and in her there is no place for provincialism. Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

The Timely Word

How often after a play, a sermon, a concert that has stirred us we feel the impulse to make known to actor, preacher or musician what it has meant to us! Yet how often the impulse perishes as the warm glow of the instant's inspiration wanes—like a rill of water that runs aimlessly to waste in desert sands and is lost.

It is so easy to let the word of enthusiastic appreciation remain unspoken—perhaps by a trivial accident, such as the absence of pen and ink to serve our inclination. But had we written, had we said the word, it might have been just the lift that was needed toward the light and the air and life itself for a soul that struggled.

We think the eminent men and women so strongly poised, so independently secure, so braced and fortified

that they need no limping phrase of ours to bring them succor; but it is not so. Just because most people do not think—or else think and then forget—the one who gives generous rein to the feeling aroused, in the presence of the one who has aroused it, is a comfort and reinforcement more than is realized except by the tired, grateful heart that is comforted. "Encouragement" literally means putting a heart in a person. That is what the timely letter or spoken words may do.

A young man whom Fate laid by and compelled to take a protracted rest-cure was frankly discouraged. The busy life that eddied and seethed about him seemed to have no use, no place for him. The future was as black as the bottom of a well. He cried out against the destiny that—at the golden culmination of promise—seemed to have relegated him among the failures and the unfit. Then there came a friendly, human, sympathizing letter. It was from an old man, a good man, a man of experience, fit to be an apostle and a philosopher. It reminded him of the fine saying of Henry Vaughan, "I climb when I lie down," and bade him to be the stronger, like Antaeus, for the contact with the earth. It concluded with the prayer that all his dreams with patience and waiting might come true. It gave him strength and the will to proceed, and comforted the chafing rebellious spirit. He recovered and went back to his work again after the complete restoration to health and happiness.

Any one may leave unsaid the timely word. Blessed is that man or woman who says it.

Several persons in the Parish have expressed their regret that they did not decide to be confirmed in the last class and have expressed their desire to receive instruction on confirmation and the teachings of the Church at an early date next fall. The Rector will, therefore, begin his course of instructions on Confirmation earlier than usual, during the coming year, and he cordially invites all who are thinking on this important subject to give their names to him as soon as possible.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion } Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
} Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
} First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00-A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 6 o'clock.
Baptism, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for the Summer Months

June 2nd—Second Sunday after Trinity
June 8th—Third Sunday after Trinity
June 11th—S. Barnabas
June 15th—4th Sunday after Trinity
June 22nd—5th Sunday after Trinity.
June 24th—Nativity St. John, Baptist
June 29th—St. Peter.

July

July 6th—7th Sunday after Trinity.
July 13th—8th Sunday after Trinity
July 20th—9th Sunday after Trinity
July 25th—St. James
July 27th—10th Sunday after Trinity

August

Aug. 3rd—11th Sunday after Trinity
Aug. 6th—Transfiguration
Aug. 10th—12th Sunday after Trinity
Aug. 17th—13th Sunday after Trinity
Aug. 24th—St. Bartholomew

This will be the last issue of the "Chimes" until the fall, when it is hoped that the renewed subscriptions and contributions will be sufficient to insure the continuance of its monthly publication.

Choir Notes

On Thursday evening May 8th, the members of the choir were delightfully entertained in the Parish House by Vestryman Col. Sheldon Potter. The evening was devoted to instrumental and vocal music and an orchestra was present to allure the guests to "trip the light fantastic toe." Colonel Potter's recitations were greatly enjoyed and after refreshment, served by Mrs. Potter, who acted as hostess of the evening, the members departed, unanimous in their expression of appreciation of Colonel Potter's kindness in giving us such a pleasant evening.

The choir has been augmented by several new members and we wish to express our gratitude to those who have acted in behalf of the choir in creating a renewed interest. We hope that this will be a Trinitytide of success.
E. L. C.

Christ Church Choir in Prison

The choir of our Church will conduct the monthly service of song in the Eastern Penitentiary on the first Sunday afternoon in July. There are thousands of prisoners confined in this place. The service will be held in the main corridor. Who knows what tender memories may be awakened in the minds of some one that afternoon? Who knows but some heart may be touched, some soul may be turned to God by the hearing of these sacred hymns?

May God's Holy Spirit be with our choir and inspire their song on that Sunday afternoon!

Women's Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary closed its work for the season some two months ago but we now have before us the preparation of a great piece of work for the fall, and as all women in the Parish are members of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, it therefore becomes really a continuation of the work of the Women's Auxiliary.

A preliminary meeting to lay plans for a sale and supper in the early fall to raise money for several urgent needs in the Parish was held Thursday afternoon in the Parish House. The affair will be conducted along very unique lines and it is hoped to make it the most successful undertaking of the Parish, but this can only be done by the combined interest and efforts of each individual man, woman and child in the Church; so be ready when you are approached to take hold and each one give it a hard push.

Japanese to Speak

The Rev. P. C. Daito in charge of St. John's Church, Tokyo, Japan will speak in Christ Church, on Sunday evening June 29th. St. John's Church is situated in the very center of the great Buddhist locality of Tokyo and the Rev. Mr. Daito, a native Japanese, is carrying the light of Christian faith and worship into the hearts of the enemy's camp.

Mr. Daito will tell of his interesting work in this region.

A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend this service.

Guild Choir

We were very much pleased to have the music on the evening of May 20th, when the Daughters of the King held their meeting.

Our work for the winter is over. Now we are looking forward with pleasure to our rehearsals in the Autumn, and will be glad to welcome some new members. Several in the regular choir have kindly helped us this winter, for which we are very grateful.
M. L. M.

Vestment Guild

The Vestment Guild at its last meeting planned to make new collars for the choir during the summer. The linen has been purchased and some of the ladies are to cut them out and then they will be distributed among the members of the Guild to make.

The Guild has recently purchased three new cassocks for the men's choir which they imported finding this a most advantageous method over either making them or purchasing them here.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Here is a serious call to every spiritually minded Churchman in the Parish. It is a call "to arms," a call to the service of the Master, a call to read decipleship, a call to definite Christian work. Surely no one thinks for a moment that by simply attending divine worship, important as that may be and is, we have thereby fulfilled our full measure of service to God. The Christian life means more than that, much more indeed. The services of the Church are intended not only to be a means of worship but to afford us the inspiration and to supply us with divine grace to go out into the world to carry the message of the Christ to others. The Word tells us that St. Andrew, finding the Messiah, was not content to enjoy his salvation alone. He must needs share his blessing with another and straightway he brings his brother Simon to the Saviour. So likewise did St. Philip with St. Nathaniel. And so has it ever been with the faithful deciples of the Lord. The joy of active service, of personal work, of real decipleship, is

the greatest blessing of the Christian life. Our worship in the Church is one aspect of our faith; personal service in the vineyard is the other, and these two make up the sum total of our "reasonable service." We are all called to be "fishers of men," we are all men possessing talents, all laborers in the vineyard, all commissioned disciples of Christ with a mission and message to every soul with whom we come in touch. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew offers the opportunity of direct personal work for the Master to every seriously minded Christian who has caught the true vision of service and has heard the Saviour's "Follow Me." Our local Chapter needs to be invigorated. It is not dead. It is only inert. It needs perhaps your consecrated life, brother Churchman, to make it energize with spiritual activity for the extension of Christ's kingdom in our Parish. Will you not heed the call? H. W. G.

Through the interest and generosity of a few friends in Christ Church, who realize the need of better lighting of the Church, money has been subscribed to install a new system of electric lights throughout the Church. It is expected that the work will be completed in June so that the evening services, during the summer months will be made bright and cheerful.

The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to these generous friends who have kindly subscribed for this much needed improvement in the Church.

Another friend has volunteered to have the exterior of the church repointed. This work has now been about completed and adds, not only to the appearance of the church, but contributes to the preservation of the walls. The tower of the church is still greatly in need of repointing and this work awaits the generous offer of some other kind "friend." Who will volunteer to have it done? Further information can be had from Mr. Keith R. Rodney, chairman of the Property Committee of the Vestry.

The Mothers' Meeting

The Annual Report of the work accomplished during the past season, was read at the closing meeting held at the house of Mrs. Morrison. Hoping that it may be of interest to some of our friends we quote some of the items below.

Receipts

Sale of carpet	\$ 9.45
Offerings	5.45
Sale of clothing	26.10
Gifts from friends	10.50
Sale of rugs	18.35
Other receipts	21.56
Bal. from last year	19.30

Total receipts \$110.71

Expenses

Easter Offering	\$50.00
To Missions	10.00
China	2.60
Dry Goods	2.91
Weaving Rugs	9.58
Freight and drayage	2.55
Repairs to machine	1.00
Supplies for dinner	8.21

\$86.86

Bal. from last year	19.30
Receipts	91.41

Total \$110.71
Expenses \$ 86.86

Balance on hand \$23.85

Number of names enrolled	18
Largest attendance	15
Smallest attendance	5
Average attendance	9

As the weather was fine the last meeting of the year on Friday, May the ninth was well attended. It was a great pleasure to have with us on that occasion both Mr. and Mrs. Arndt who greatly assisted in making the afternoon a success. Mrs. Dayton and Mr. Gernand were not able to be with us much to the regret of every one.

There was a very pleasant surprise for the one in charge of the work for the past two years. The Mothers gave a very beautiful and appropriate picture of Ruth and Naomi to the hostess. It will always be a pleasant reminder of

the many pleasant afternoons spent together in the Parish House.

The Mothers' Meeting will have charge of the booth for useful articles for the household, in the Fair which is to be held in the Autumn. We shall have for sale aprons, dish and roller towels, dusters and dust caps and any number of other practical articles and shall expect liberal patronage from our many friends. A. M. M.

Bazaar Next Fall

The ladies of the Parish propose to give a large bazaar or fair in the fall which promises to be one of the most interesting and attractive gatherings that have been held in the Parish. It is to be called "A Bazaar of the National Holidays."

The tables or booths will represent the different holidays of the year and will be decorated and stocked with useful and fancy articles appropriate to the various days. The bazaar will be held on two successive days, a parish supper will be served on each day and, in addition, an entertainment will be held on each evening. The occasion will be so varied in character that it will interest all persons in the Parish both old and young.

Each Parochial Society has been assigned some special feature of the fair and the members will all assist in making their special "feature" attractive and popular.

These committees invite, also, all members of the Parish and their friends to co-operate with them in making this Bazaar a great success. Useful and fancy articles are solicited from everyone and it is hoped that, during the summer months all the women in the Parish will work to contribute as much as possible toward this object.

It is desired that everyone should be interested and a cordial welcome is extended to all. The Bazaar will be given the forepart of next November; the definite dates will be announced later. Contributions may be sent in the fall to any member of the Committee, or to the General Chairman. Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Cliveden Ave. and Jefferson Street.

The following are the Committees in charge of the various "National Holidays":

"Christmas"—The Women's Auxiliary. Chairwoman, Mrs. George T. Morgan.

"New Year's Day."—Daughters of the King. Chairwoman, Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt.

"Washington and Lincoln's Birthday,"—Sunday School. Chairwoman, Mrs. Rittenhouse Reaver.

"Memorial Day"—Auxiliary Christ Church Club. Chairwoman, Miss In-singer.

"Independence Day"—Choir and Vestment Guild. Chairwoman, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson

"Labor Day"—Mothers' Meeting and Bible Class. Chairwoman, Mrs. J. I. Morrison.

"Thanksgiving Day"—Altar Guild. Chairwoman, Mrs. Henry H. Marot.

"Hallow E'en"—Girls Friendly Society. Chairwoman, Miss Phyllis Morgan.

The Chairwomen of any of the above Committees will be pleased to receive the names of persons willing to assist in the Bazaar. Let everyone prepare for it! Let everyone co-operate! Let everyone be present! Remember the date; the forepart of November, the days and dates to be announced in the fall.

Dead Timber

In our Churches there are men and women who are well equipped for service, but they are not rendering it. They possess natural gifts and fine qualities which attract our attention. We expect to see them giving generously of their time and talents to God's work, but they hold aloof. A canker is causing the havoc. Because of some real or supposed slight, or perhaps because of some secret sin, they have decided to withhold hands and heart. And the work lags. Instead of partaking of the rich privilege of sharing in God's plan for bettering this world, they have become a dead weight and a positive hindrance.—Zion's Herald.

Summer Services

Services in Christ Church during the summer months will be at the usual hours, namely, Holy Communion every Sunday at 7.30 A. M. Morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock and evening service at 7.45 o'clock. The eleven o'clock service will be shortened and will consist of morning prayer only, together with sermon, except on the first Sunday in the month when there will be celebration of the Holy Communion and Sermon. The evening service will consist of shortened form of Evening Prayer and Sermon. The series of "Hymn Services," will be continued throughout the summer on the first Sunday evening in each month. Old familiar hymns will be sung and appropriate remarks will be made from the Chancel on their spiritual significance.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated on Holy Days at the usual hour, 9.30 A. M.

The Friday afternoon evening prayer will be discontinued during July and August. The Sunday School will continue to meet throughout the summer beginning promptly at ten o'clock instead of at 9.30 and will consist of a bright hearty service, with lesson instruction from the desk.

The Rev. H. W. Gernand, who has been serving his Diaconate as curate in this Parish, during the past winter, was ordained to the Priesthood in Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, on Trinity Sunday morning, May 18th. By consent of the Vestry, the Rector has invited Mr. Gernand to continue as curate in Christ Church. Mr. Gernand is at present on his vacation but is expected to return by the first Sunday in July and will have charge of the Parish during the Rector's absence. Any calls for his services during the summer will receive prompt attention if word is left at his home, 37 West Pomona Street, or at the Rectory.

Everyone should bear in mind the Bazaar, announced in another column of this issue to be given this next fall. Fancy and useful articles may be made during the summer months and will be most acceptable to the ladies in charge. Let everyone do something.

Poor Children Outing Fund

An offering will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday, June 22nd, for the poor children's outing fund. As most of our people know, this fund is for the purpose of sending poor children—and sometimes their tired mother's with them, into the country for a week during the hot summer months. There can be no more worthy charity than this.

During the past seven years the Rector has made it his annual custom to secure from the "City Mission," "the Country Week Association," and "the Bedford Street Mission" the names of the poorest and most deserving children.

He has thus personally visited the families of these children in their so-called "homes" and has learned, not only of their physical and temporal needs, but something, also, of their moral and spiritual poverty. He has thus been enabled, through those who have generously contributed toward this object, to minister both to the souls and as well as to the bodies of God's worthy poor.

It is generally supposed that suffering among the poor is less in summer than in winter. Such is not the case, however, and statistics, both vital and social, show that although there is no demand for fuel and very little for clothing and food; nevertheless, the intense heat is so cruelly debilitating upon those who are compelled to live in courts and alleys that our hospitals, dispensaries and police stations are taxed to their utmost to provide relief for their suffering. The mortality among the children of the poor alone during the months of July and August is appalling. Were it not for the great efforts put forth by such institutions as the City Mission and other similar Associations to relieve the poor by providing ice, pure milk for babies and country outings for little children and tired mothers, the suffering and the death rate would be largely increased.

All who wish to contribute to this worthy charity of the Poor Children's Outing Fund are invited to place their offerings on the plate in Christ Church on Sunday, June 22nd, or contributions may be sent to the Accounting Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 West Upsal Street, Germantown.

**Report of Wm. R. Pugh
Accounting Warden**

March 24th, 1913 to May 27th, 1913	
Balance on hand	\$1866.80
Envelopes	426.82
Collections	163.49
Pew Rents	64.90
Easter	150.00
Easter (additional)	150.00
Special Collections	229.47
Cheltenham Trust Co. (Int. on Deposit)	6.34
Wm. R. Pugh (Loan)	110.00
	\$3017.82
Pew Rents due June 1st	\$1380.00
By Salaries	\$1422.49
Supplies & Sundries	8.70
Repairs	66.05
Gtn. Poor Tax	6.50
Water Rent Church P. H. and Rectory	80.00
Gas and Electric Light	32.70
Laundry	3.00
Con. of Germantown	190.00
Interest on Hamm Legacy ..	12.50
Cheltenham Trust Co. (Loan and Int.)	505.06
Episcopal and Con. Fund ..	181.81
W. J. Crowder Co. (Coal)	349.75
Episcopal Hospital	40.50
Aged and Infirm Clergy	116.98
Balance on hand	1.78
	\$3017.82

Indebtedness

Cheltenham Trust Co. (Note) ..	\$500.00
Taxes, Rectory and Lot	188.50
Fleu & Fetterolf	5.50
Farra & Parker	7.00
W. J. Crowder Co.	14.00
J. P. Hunter & Son	20.00
Staton Brothers	1.35
F. C. Goodwin	15.15
J. W. Reed	1.25
Missions (March, April and May)	143.42
Rector, (Incidentals)	37.50
Salaries, June	462.19
V. R. Pugh (Loan)	110.00
	\$1508.86

A Word to Envelope Subscribers

A year ago your Accounting Warden called your attention to the necessity of making provisions for your envelopes during your absence through the

summer months, at which period the plate collections and envelopes show a decided falling off, but salaries and other necessary expenses go on as usual.

He is glad to state that the summer months of 1912 showed a decided improvement in this respect, and he earnestly hopes that you do as well, if not better, the present summer.

One of our thoughtful parishioners sent a check for envelopes covering the three summer months, June, July and August, also check for pew rent.

It is well to remember that our only source of income is pew rent, envelopes and plate collections, and if these are paid promptly your Accounting Warden can meet all obligations without borrowing funds and paying interest on the same.

Young Men's Bible

Adjournment until the first Sunday in September. This does not mean disorganization, however. Far from it. The Y. M. B. C. has become a permanent and integral part of Christ Church Sunday School. It was considered wise to hold no regular sessions during the warm summer months. With the coming of the fall, we hope for a fresh impetus, new inspiration, deeper consecration, greater loyalty, and a larger work in every way. Our record for the past year, while not reaching the ideal which we had set, is nevertheless very encouraging. With a total enrollment of 18 and a teaching staff of 3, a fairly good attendance and general interest was maintained throughout. One of our young men became a teacher in the Intermediate School and two were confirmed. We held one very successful social evening in which sports and a "feed" were safely indulged, 30 young men being present. With such a splendid start as this, we look forward with much hope toward our reunion in the fall believing that God's blessing which has attended us thus far will abide with us in even greater fulness. H. W. G.

Who Are Sometimes the Chief Offenders

A great many efforts are made in these days to learn why it is that some

churches are so poorly attended. We hear something said about the lack of drawing power in the sermons preached. "We do not have eloquent sermons," say some. Then it is charged upon the choirs. "The music is not good enough." Frequently it is suggested, "If we could only have social gatherings, entertainments, and the like, we could bring strangers in." Not often, however, are we told that the chief offenders, the people who really are doing most to keep the congregations small, are irregular in their own attendance. They set a bad example for those from whom not so much can be expected. Someone said recently, in speaking of a service in a certain church, "Only three vestrymen were present, and quite a number of prominent families were not even represented."

That service would have seemed a much more important matter to that community if those who had virtually pledged themselves to labor for the interests of the parish had been there. "Why should we go if such people stay away?" is the question too often asked.

A very practical and effectual way of making the attendance better in your parish church is to go regularly yourself. "Why A, B and C go whenever they can. There must be something worth while." This is how people look at the matter.

—Sunday School Magazine

Vestryman Elected

At the last regular meeting of the Vestry, held on Tuesday evening, June 3rd, Mr. J. I. Morrison was elected a vestryman of Christ Church to fill the place of Mr. Charles Heyer, who has removed from the city.

Found

A beautifully bound prayer book and Hymnal was found in the Church. The owner can have same by applying to the Verger.

Daughters of the King

Christ Church Chapter, Daughters of the King, entertained the Local Assembly of the Diocese on Tuesday, May 20th. In the absence of Mr. Arndt the opening service was conducted by Mr. Gernand, who also

made a pleasing address of welcome to the visitors. After the regular business Miss Behlendorf, General Secretary of the order gave a talk on the Chamber of Peace, showing the great spiritual gain to be had by a daily casting away of all earthly concerns and going apart for a few moments, to commune with God.

Mrs. A. E. Clay, of the Church of the Redemption, Philadelphia, gave a very interesting talk on prayer.

At 6.30 we had supper in the Gymnasium, after which we had service in the Church with the Rev. Mr. Arndt, Mr. Gernand, Mr. Williams, Rev. A. Brock, of Wissahickon, in the Chancel with a sermon by Dr. John Harding, of St. Mark's Church, Frankford.

There were three new members admitted to Christ Church Chapter.

We thank Miss Morgan and the girls of the Friendly and all others who so kindly helped serve supper.

E. L. M.

Another Play

On Wednesday evening, June 25th, the S. S. C. will give an entertainment in the Parish House. The full program of this evening has not been arranged at this writing, but it will consist of two or three short plays, or sketches, and several musical numbers.

Owing to the short space of time in which this entertainment has been gotten up, no tickets have been issued and admission will be gained through a silver offering at the door.

We hope that all our friends will try to be with us on the night of the 25th.

W. A. A.

Sunday School

Beginning with Sunday, June 29, the Summer arrangement will become effective for our Sunday School. As usual, the entire session will be shortened to one hour, starting 9.45 and closing 10.45.

Mr. Morgan plans to have a variety of Leaders and also a pleasing variation in each of the services and expects the active co-operation of all the "stay-at-homes."

The first Sunday, June 29th, being so close to our National Holiday, July

4th will be suitably observed and it is hoped Col. Potter will lead and make the address.

The School will picnic this year at Willow Grove, Wednesday, July 9th. We will gather at the Parish House, 9.30 A. M., as it is our intention to start for the Grove by 10 o'clock. The School provides transportation for all its members and we anticipate an encouraging attendance. Teachers particularly are requested to reserve the date and assist by their presence.

The absence of Teachers has been conspicuous on former occasions. Arrangements are being completed for the customary outing of the Primary members and their mothers and will be announced fully by Miss Morrison later.

Preparation for a resumption of our old time "Socials," during the coming Fall and Winter, will be completed and announcement will be made later.

If those who feel an interest in our School and really desire it to succeed—(of course that means all our Parishioners)—will only manifest that interest by visiting us and offering service as teachers and officers, or if needs be, as members only, the outlook for the future, for both School and Church, cannot fail to prove encouraging.

O. N. Middleton

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club held its annual meeting in its room at the Church House on Thursday, May the 28th, at 10.30 A. M.

Bishop Rhinelander, presiding. Here let me say that this is one of the chief features of our annual meeting, and a great support to our work to feel we have the personal interest of the head of the Church in our great Missionary work.

The Bishop gave us a most interesting little talk on his work along our lines in fact in the Church Periodical Club, during his days at Cambridge, and he said without hesitation that our Society has the advantage over any other organization in the Church, in that it can find its way into places and remain there, when no other Society can; in short it becomes the entering wedge for the other work.

After the talks we had an open conference in which advice was given and suggestions made, all of which sent the Librarians to their respective Parishes with a renewed stimulus to place our work in a stronger and a better light before not only our parishioners but our clergy.

Hoping that you will remember the Church Periodical Club in your prayers as well as in your individual ability to help and spread the news of its work wherever you can especially during your summer travels.

How to Use the Bible

When in sorrow, read John xiv.
When men fail you, read Psalm xxvii.
When you have sinned, read Psalm li.
When you worry, read Matt. vi:19-34.
Before church service, read Ps. lxxxiv.
When you are in danger, read Ps. xci.
When you have the blues, read Psalm xxxiv.
When God seems far away, read Psalm cxxxix.
When you are discouraged, read Isaiah xl.
If you want to be fruitful, read John xv
When doubts come upon you, try John vii:17.
When you are lonely or fearful, read Psalm xxiii.
When you forget your blessings, read Psalm ciii.
For Jesus' idea of a Christian, read Matthew v.
For James' idea of religion, read James i:19-27.
When your faith needs stirring, read Hebrews xi.
When you feel down and out, read Romans viii:31-39.
When you want courage for your task, read Joshua i.
When the world seems bigger than God, read Psalm xc.
When you want rest and peace, read Matthew xi:25-30.
When you want Christian assurance, read Romans viii:1-30.
For Paul's secret of happiness, read Colosians iii:12-17.
When you leave home for labor or travel, read Psalm cxxi.
When you grow bitter or critical, read I Corinthians xiii.
When your prayers grow narrow or selfish, read Psalm lxxvii.—Examiner.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
{ 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

The Rector returned from his vacation the first week in September greatly benefitted in health by his summer's rest. He made every effort to return from Maine on the ill-fated Bar Harbor Express, which was wrecked with fearful loss of precious lives. His plans and efforts to come by this train were mysteriously thwarted, greatly to his disappointment at that time, as he was most anxious to return to Germantown to officiate at the funeral and to pay a last tribute to the memory of our faithful Vestryman, Mr. Charles W. Schwartz, whom every one in Christ Church Parish loved, honored and respected. Unable to get this train he was compelled to return from Portland to New York by boat and being delayed by fog, arrived in Philadelphia too late for the funeral. It was with profound sorrow for the afflicted that he read in the papers the next morning an account of the awful accident and with gratitude to God that he had been so mysteriously hindered in getting the train he tried so hard to take. It was only one more of many instances in his life, which re-emphasized the conviction that what we want the most is not always what we ought to have. Would that, in the midst of our disappointments in life, we always could possess our souls in sure confidence and faith in the goodness of God and fully believe what

He teaches in His Holy Word, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thought."

Now that vacation days are ended the Rector hopes to see our parishioners in their accustomed places in the House of God and trusts that they all have returned home with higher ideals and strong purposes to enter unselfishly and enthusiastically into some form of Church work, with a desire to further, to the full extent of their ability, the Kingdom of Christ on earth. There is one thing that every one can do; and that is to be a home missionary, to influence other persons in your neighborhood in your Church, to invite them to the services of Christ Church and make them feel at home when you see them there. If every member of this Parish would take a personal interest this fall in getting some other person to attend the services and to identify himself with this Parish how widely the influence of this Church would be extended in this Community. Let every member resolve to do, at least, this much during the coming year. Let the clergy know the names and addresses of new comers in the neighborhood. Interest yourself enough in their welfare and in the

welfare of your Church to call on them and welcome them to the services.

By your example and by your work and by your prayers resolve this year to follow St. James' command: "Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." Let each one in this Parish bear in mind and seek to emulate the example of the people of old in rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem: "So built we the wall and all the wall was joined together, for the people had a mind to work."

Runagates

The Rector wishes to speak at length on a subject of great importance which has been on his heart for many months. He addresses himself to a large class of people who need to be told some facts plainly, positively and kindly. This he will do. He might preach a sermon on this subject, but if he were to do so, the people whom he most wishes to reach would not be present and his words would never reach their ears. He, therefore, takes this means of addressing a class of people in this community whose interests he has deeply at heart and whom he hopes his words will reach and by God's grace may arouse to better things.

In one of the Psalms we read "He letteth the runagates continue in scarceness." If we consult the Century dictionary anent the word "runagate" we find that the word holds three shades or gradation of meaning. It means, first, "one who runs-about—a sort of idle, restless, vagrant, homeless creature, continually gadding around, without any definite idea whither he is going or what he is seeking."

In religion the run-a-bout has the quality of runagateness, in that his interest in religion never goes beyond regarding it as a sort of diversion. He has no church home; he rarely attends a religious service twice in one parish; his presence at one church rather than another is determined by the news that in a certain church the organ has been enlarged, or a new candelabrum has been set up, or a new art window has been inserted, or a special sermon

is to be preached before the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Post, or some other equally worthy and interesting organization. In short he is not identified with any parish. He contributes neither by his personal presence nor in any other way to the maintenance of any particular church, and gets in return for his religious vagrancy, only a growing habit of runagateness, which is quite proof against any spiritual uplift. He is in religion for the diversion it offers. I am persuaded from a wide observation, that if one's Christian life is to be vital, one must eliminate from it religious vagrancy and focus his effort and influence in the fellowship of some particular parish. Spiritual impoverishment is the sure and dire reward of homelessness in our Christian life. Of course, homelessness in religion is not to be confounded with an occasional attendance on services other than those held in one's parish. What is meant is that the nomadic habit makes for spiritual emasculation and depletes the virility and hampers the efficiency of all parochial effort.

There is another shade of gradation of meaning in the word runagate. A runagate, says the Century dictionary, is one who runs-a-way. The run-a-bout and the run-a-way are by no means the same. In religion, the run-a-bout spells religious vagrancy; the run-a-way signifies the shirker. This is a much darker shade of runagateness than is a mere perambulating religiousness. It means recreancy to the duties and obligations of plighted loyalty to God and His church. The run-a-ways are not drifting aimlessly about from one parish to another; they are, let it be said to their credit, disposed to choose a church home and dwell in it, but they do not develop, as they should, a strong sense of personal responsibility in bearing its burdens and coming up, as the old Scriptures express it, "to the help of the Lord against the mighty." They are all too much at ease in Zion. They are far from disloyalty, but they have never realized that sense of answerability for the wealth and efficiency of the church which

their Christian calling imposes upon them. The runaway, as differentiated from the runabout, represents that type of religiosity which always, in the presence of some call to duty or generosity, is asking itself, not "How much can I do to help forward the lagging cause of Christ and the bettered efficiency of His Church" but "How little can I do without quite falling into the company of those who are wholly indifferent to the progress of the kingdom of God."

This type of runagateness is not without some sense of personal responsibility for the advancement of Christ's kingdom, but it endeavors to salve and quiet that sense of responsibility by doing just the very least that is compatible with its retention as a feeble, flickering flame. It holds in respect, and even in admiration a hard-working rector, and will sometimes speak words of commiseration that he is suffered to carry parochial anxieties in addition to his manifold duties as preacher and pastor; but this type commonly allows its interest to find its chief expression in words. It is in apparent accord with the missionary endeavor of the Church, but when the parish apportionment is being counted up, it does not figure in it large enough to be discoverable by the eye unaided by the microscope. It believes, in a way, in the Church's social service, but it does not believe in personal identification with any of the social services the Church is doing.

Now what will result to us if we run away from the burdens and obligations which are imposed upon us? There can be but one result. If we sow to recreancy to plighted loyalty and duty to the kingdom of God, we shall reap, as did the runagates of old time, spiritual poverty.

There is a striking passage in the Old Testament that runs: "He gave them their hearts' desire, but he sent withal leanness into their souls." Material blessings may still dower the unfaithful, but spiritual blessings, by a law as uniform and invariable as that which holds the planet in its march about the sun, will be withered—lean-

ness of soul. Spiritual poverty must follow on runawayness from the tasks, the duties, the cross of the Christian life. There are many foes to the advance of the kingdom of God in this world. Many of them are without, but the foes without are not as inseparable and deadly as the foes within, and among the foes within, the most baneful, perhaps, is the shirker! I am sure from both observation and experience that a homeless, vagrant, runabout Christianity almost never eventuates in Christian character, and what is more, that it tends to pass into recreancy to the duties of the plighted loyalty and service, and then on, if not arrested by the grace of God, into religious apostasy and desertion. We have with us the run-a-bouts—religious vagrants all. We have the run-a-ways—shirkers of duties and obligations. We have the renegates, apostates and deserters. And yet God's mercy is as wide as the sea. He will gather the solitary vagrant into his family—if the vagrant will allow Him to do so. He will lead home the prisoner in captivity to runawayness from godly duty and service, if they will suffer Him to do so, and He will even welcome home the outright deserter, but for the incorrigible runagates He will let them continue in scarceness—spiritual poverty, a devitalized Christian life, a stunted and starved soul, are the heritage of those that make light of the claims of the kingdom of God.

Memorial Altar Flowers

The Altar Society, have charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years and any in the Parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this "Memorial List" are invited to consult with the Rector and he will be pleased to assign them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their "Blessed Dead." After the Sunday service the flowers are sent to the sick in the Parish or to Hospitals.

That the congregation may know, each Sunday, in whose memory the

flowers are and may unite with the friends of the departed in their prayers and in their Communion, a list of the names will be published from month to month in the "Chimes."

On these "days of remembrance" it will be sweet to come to God's House and in His presence to recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile;" to kneel before the altar and to feel their nearness and to unite with them and all God's Saints in one common worship—"knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord."

Without Christ, without God, these oft recurring anniversaries of our dear departed, bring with them sadness and a pain of heart; but these days of sadness and loneliness will be turned into joy, not in trying to forget, but in sweet remembrance of the Blessed Dead, in Holy Communion with Christ in whose loving Presence they now are and we, and who is still their Saviour and ours.

A Pressing Need

The Rector wishes to call attention of the members of the congregation of the pressing need of a fund in this Parish for the relief of the poor and the many worthy cases of charity which he, as Rector of the Parish, is constantly being called upon to meet.

For the many demands that are made upon him he has, at his disposal, the insignificant sum of twenty-five dollars a year, which is the interest on a legacy left to the Parish many years ago by Mr. Phineas Hamm, a former vestryman, together with the alms what are given at the Holy Communion. This amount is wholly inadequate for the Rector to meet the needs of many most worthy persons who make their appeal to him, as their friend and Rector, sometimes in cases of sickness, sometimes in their sorrow, sometimes when wives and mother have been deserted and left friendless, and penniless, with little children to support. The Rector can give many

sad instances of such cases and in order to relieve these needs, he is often compelled to go about from house to house in the Parish, asking for alms, or when unsuccessful in this method, to borrow money on his personal security, at the bank and pay with interest when he can.

No worthy person in this Parish, known to the Rector to be in distress, will ever be allowed to want. He desires this to be known to every one and wants no one in this Parish, who may be at any time in trouble to hesitate to come to him and he will be their friend. This is what he is in the ministry for and what the people under his care have a right to expect of him. But it would seem that he might also in turn, reasonably look to his people to share with him in this Christian responsibility and privilege and, at each Communion service, generously to remember God's worthy poor and the blessedness of helping others. As the cold weather comes on, will our comfortably heated homes, and well furnished tables and healthy, warmly clad children suggest other homes shadowed by sickness and sorrow—homes where food is very scanty and fuel and clothing very scarce? Will it occur to any of our people, when some great blessing comes into their lives, or the recurrence of some anniversary, laden with sweet memories of some loved one long gone home, to send a thank-offering, a generous offering to the Rector or to the Warden to go toward an endowment fund to relieve the needy of the Parish?

Will any in this Parish, before going out of this life to meet their God, remember in their last will and testament the poor and the needy at their door and provide, that after this life their good works may follow them. There must be some in this Parish, there must be many, who, being reminded of the need, will surely "remember." It is not because people are uninterested or indifferent to doing good that so many opportunities are neglected, but because, "we forget." "But evil is wrought by want of thought,
As well as want of heart."

And it is this "forgetfulness" of the needs of Christ Church and the opportunities for good that lie at our doors—"this want of thought" that so many of us are guilty of, that the Rector would urge to be overcome and be guarded against by the people of Christ Church, whom never has he found in his ministry among them, to be guilty of "want of heart."

A Word to Fathers

The father, whose attitude toward religion preaches a continuous sermon to the boy—more powerful than the sermons delivered from any pulpit—is too apt to let his influence be at least a negative one. The boy very quickly assimilates the father's appraisal of the worth of the Christian religion. If it is not a living force of the father's life, if worship be not a duty strong enough to counteract the father's natural desire to play golf or go motoring on a pleasant Sunday, the son quickly relegates it to at least a secondary place. The father who does not practice his religion to its fullest extent, by regular participation in worship and regular communion as well as by letting it dominate his every-day life, is helping to remove the impetus of the Christian religion from the son's life. Now nobody knows better than the middle-aged father what are the temptations that are coming, if not immediately present, to his son; and it is a fact that a vital religion is the strongest force to counteract those temptations. The father who, by his example, weakens the force of the boy's religion, assumes thereby the responsibility for making it more difficult to resist temptation. Fathers need not think it strange if their sons fall into sin as a consequence.

An Example to Follow

In the obituary of an earnest churchwoman, who had been in a parish only a few months, we find this glowing tribute, which also contains a valuable

suggestion to all who remove from one parish to another:—

"Mrs. ———— seemed to find her place at once, and set about her work so quietly and yet so intelligently and devotedly, asking to be put to work and doing the work she was given without the slightest complaint or hesitation.

If only all Church people could learn this lesson which she seemed to have mastered, that every parish Church is your Father's House and the moment you enter it, you set to work on your Father's business as a matter of course.

I am very grateful that I had this short and pleasant association with her. She was a real encouragement and inspiration to me in my work and in a short time made a place for herself in the Parish life."—The Chronicle

The continuance of the publication of the "Chimes" during the coming year will depend upon whether sufficient money is forth coming to pay expenses. One hundred and fifteen dollars will be required and this amount must be met by subscriptions and by private contributions.

Will not every person in the congregation remember to send in a subscription of fifty cents at once?

The Rector will feel greatly relieved of a financial responsibility if some good friends in the Parish will come forward and guarantee that whatever arrears may be after all subscriptions are in, will be forthcoming. The "Chimes" is a most valuable agency in extending the usefulness of the Parish and it will be a loss if publication is forced to be discontinued.

The Editorial staff during the coming year will be: Editor, the Rector; Associate Editor, Rev. H. N. Germand; Business Manager, Stanley V. Wilcox, 82 W. Johnson St., to whom subscriptions and contributions should be sent.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

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Kalendar for October

October 5th—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

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October 26th—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

October 28th—St. Simeon and St. Jude

The Directory page, in which appear the names of the various Parish Organizations, has been omitted in this issue of the "Chimes," but will appear in the November issue. This page is at present undergoing a complete revision, with the view of eliminating from the list all societies which have become inactive. The Secretaries of all Parish Societies are requested to send at once to the Rector the names of the officers of their respective Guilds, so that a full and accurate list of the Parochial organizations may appear in the next issue of the "Chimes."

Subscriptions to the "Chimes"

All subscriptions to the "Chimes" have expired. If the publication of the "Chimes" is to be continued throughout the year, there must be at least, one hundred and fifty subscribers at fifty cents each. Seventy-five dollars is needed to be guaranteed to assure its continuance. Are there not some

persons in the Parish who will assume part of this financial responsibility and guarantee a certain amount? Subscriptions and contributions are urged to be sent to Stanley V. Wilcox, 82 W. Johnson St. at once. Please do not forget!

Church Embroidery Class

A meeting will be held in the Parish House, Monday afternoon, October 6th at 3.30 o'clock, for the purpose of forming a class to do Church Embroidery. It is hoped that all members interested in this work will attend.

For particulars address

Miss Bessie L. Chase

45 E. Wahington Lane

Fair and Supper in November

A Big Parish Fair and Supper will be held in the Parish House on Wednesday and Thursday, November 5th and 6th. The Fair is to represent the "National Holidays" and each booth will be appropriately decorated and stocked with useful and fancy articles for sale. These articles are now solicited from all, and everyone in the Parish and their friends are urged to donate as many articles as possible. It is desired to make this Fair the most pleasant and profitable in the history of the Parish and every one, it is hoped will give something toward making it a success. Let every woman in the Parish, who has not already contributed to it, begin now to make or solicit among their friends useful and fancy articles so that there will be an abundant and a choice supply.

Besides the articles on sale, appropriate for holiday gifts, there will be many other features for the enjoyment of both old and young. A substantial supper will be served by the ladies on both of these evenings in the new Recreation room of the Parish House and it is probable that an entertainment will also be given in the Assembly Room, above, on one or both evenings. It is desired to make this affair an occasion for every person in the Parish to enjoy and it is hoped that all will co-operate and will also interest others. Persons willing to assist in any way are invited to notify the chairwoman,

Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Cliveden Avenue and Jefferson Street.

Now is the time to prepare! Remember the dates, November 5th and 6th! Everybody should co-operate! Everybody should come!

Clothing Wanted

Persons in the Parish who have clothing to spare will convey a great favor by sending the same to the Parish House. Warm outer and under-garments, and shoes for men, women or children are always in demand during the winter months and are bestowed upon worthy persons in need. Please send the same to the Parish House in care of Mrs. Morrison, Directress of the Mothers' Meeting.

The Sunday School

What can I tell you of our Sunday School? I could tell you a very great deal, if you would only come to the School, Sunday mornings at 9.30 and give me the opportunity. I could tell you that regular Fall and Winter work and sessions will begin with our Rally Day Services, September 28th, everybody invited and a spiritual service expected and promised. I could tell you the school is your concern, a very vital and important part of Our Church Organization, worthy of and demanding your active support and assistance.

This is not a plea for money—we give that ourselves—but for workers and co-operation.

We need Teachers, consecrated and "dead in earnest" workers, who appreciating our growing opportunities will give of their time and abilities—will not expect someone else to do all the hard work, nor be too easily discouraged.

The training of our young (and old) is not reserved for any one class of our Parish, it should appeal forcibly to all parents and members of every station and condition, and workers should be plentiful. If you agree with me, Christ Church Sunday School is on the eve of a new era of success.

O. N. M.

Sunday School Church Service

In order to familiarize the scholars of the Sunday School with the Prayer

Book and the worship of the Church the custom will be resumed this fall of having the school assemble in the Church, instead of in the Parish House on the first Sunday of each month. Morning Prayer will be said, after which the school will go to the Sunday School Room for the usual lessons.

Each class will be assigned a definite place in the Church and the teachers and scholars are requested to be in the pews promptly at half past nine o'clock.

The relationship between pastor and people is a reciprocal one. If the minister has a duty to his congregation, not less does the latter owe one in return.

Men's Bible Class

Sunday morning, September 14th, the Men's Bible Class began its regular fall and winter sessions. We plan this winter to study together the books of the New Testament and have now commenced with the Gospel according to S. Matthew. This class for Bible study should appeal to every man in the Parish who is not otherwise identified with the Sunday School. Surely if we love God's word and have made it our will, our comfort, and our hope, "a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path," we should employ every opportunity for increasing our knowledge and understanding of it. What more pleasant and profitable time than can be spent of a Sunday morning than to meet with a body of serious minded Christian men for an hour's searching of the Scriptures. To be cultured in the Bible is to know the secret of the triumphant life; to be armed with the "Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God" is to stand four square against all the varying eventualities of life as a conqueror. We of the Bible Class therefore are hoping for a larger enrollment and attendance this year than last and a greater interest manifested in this notable work, and desire to extend our hearty invitation, not only to men of the Parish, but also to the men of the neighborhood who are not connected with any other Church or Sunday School to come and join and

participate with us in our Sunday morning Bible Conferences. 9.45 is the hour. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." H. W. G.

Attention! Envelope Subscribers

It is of the greatest importance that all persons in arrears in their subscription through the Envelope System are urged to place the amount of their indebtedness in their envelopes at the first opportunity and put them in the alms basin or give a check to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh. Many persons have done this immediately after their return from their vacations, but there are still a large number who have not done so. A prompt attention to this duty on the part of the parishioners will, relieve the Warden of some pressing financial obligations.

Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting will resume its regular sessions on Tuesday afternoon, October 14th and will continue to meet every Tuesday afternoon in the Parish House at half past two o'clock. The meetings last year were very well attended and a great deal of good work was done by them in the way of sewing and making useful articles for charitable purposes. The Mothers are anxious to have a large supply of articles on sale for the Fair to be given in the Parish House in November and they are working hard preparing towels, dish-rags and other useful household articles, which, they hope, the members of the congregation will assist them in providing and will also come to the Fair and will liberally patronize their sale.

The Mothers' Meeting cordially welcomes to their weekly afternoon gatherings all working women in this vicinity. A very pleasant and helpful time will be assured to all who come.

Girls Friendly

The Girls Friendly Society has not held any meetings during the summer, but we hope to resume our meetings next week and are planning some very interesting evenings

During the summer the Branch Secretary visited the G. F. S. Holiday House of the Diocese of Pennsylvania at Cape May. It is a fine old-fashioned house with large porches and a beautiful garden. The house is large enough to accommodate sixty-two girls and many come from distant parts of the State to spend their vacation there. One of our own members enjoyed a two weeks vacation in the House this summer.

The Holiday House is certainly an institution of which Pennsylvania should be proud.

The Girls Friendly Society is for girls over 14 years of age of any creed. We have in our Parish 22 members and would much like to enlarge our membership. Any girls in the Parish would be welcome at any of our meetings. These meetings are held in the Parish House at 8 o'clock Tuesday evenings. P. M.

New Electric Lights

Through the generosity of a few friends in the Parish a new system of electric lighting has been installed in the Church during the past summer and is a marked improvement. The light in the fore-nave is well distributed by brass globes suspended by brass chains from the ceiling, while the rear-nave is lighted by six reflectors placed on the hammer beams. It is hoped that these reflectors may soon be replaced by brass fixtures which will shield the light from the eyes of the congregation. On account of the great height of the roof it was a difficult problem to arrange the light so as to get the best results, but after much experimenting the Property committee have succeeded in accomplishing the best possible results. The system was installed by Mr. O. N. Middleton and reflects great credit on his skill and workmanship.

Through the generosity of the people of Christ Church about eighty children and a few mothers were sent into the country for a week or more during the past hot summer. This is the largest number that our Parish has ever sent and the blessings of this charity will have a far-reaching in-

fluence for good on the lives of those to whom it ministered. The Rector wishes to extend his hearty appreciation to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

Money

There are many people who say, "O, don't discuss money, preach about the love of God or some other topic!" But the Church needs money. It is hampered in every way for lack of it. Nearly every Vestry in the land is compelled to borrow money and pay interest because of just this popular and prevalent idea that money ought not to be mentioned in Church. If all the delinquencies in pew rents and envelope subscriptions were paid up next Sunday, not only in this parish, but every other parish, I dare say in many instances Vestrymen would be puzzled at first what to do with the money. People who are punctual and honorable about paying household accounts will let Church bills run on indefinitely, and even repudiate them in the end, for they have learned that no legal pressure is apt to be brought to collect a Church bill. It used to be the same with the Doctor's bill, but now the physician who takes a proper view of his responsibility to society and his family, collects his bill just like any other creditor collects his.

The Church ought to collect its bills in the same way exactly, for the sake of the people.

It is not to be taken that the Church does not do a vast amount of charitable or free work any more than that the physician does not do the same thing. I am called upon constantly by people who never give a cent—do not even give their presence at services—to support the Gospel, and I minister to them without hesitation, of course, and gladly. I even try not to have thoughts about them, although I am not always successful in that!

We have had dinned into our ears that the Gospel is free so long that we have come to believe that we have a right to it without paying for it. Wrong, all wrong! Even Almighty God made a sacrifice so priceless that

we have no standard of value by which to estimate it save itself before men could be saved. I do not believe that He even intended that we should get something for nothing. The only concession I make to poverty is that the price to be paid for salvation is not beyond anyone's reasonable ability to pay.

I do not believe there is a Church in the land which will not admit to its privileges all who may desire them for just whatever they are able to contribute. Certainly that is the policy of this Church. That is not the question. It is a question of doing what you can which is doing what you ought. The burden is carried, always has been carried, by the few; but if I were one of the indifferent many, it would be my highest ambition to get into the class of the noble few.

Self-denial, what is it? I know a Vestry Committee which called on a man and asked him if he could not give five cents a week on each side of the duplex envelope. The man said that he had met financial reverses, which was true; that sickness and other demands had greatly increased his expenses, which was also true; therefore, he could not afford to pledge himself even for five cents a week on each side of the envelope, which was not true, although perhaps he believed it. The interesting feature of the interview was this: He was smoking a ten cent cigar at the time and he smoked at least three every day, probably more. It didn't occur to him that he could give up one cigar a day for this purpose although it did occur to the committee which waited upon him. But they were timid men and didn't say it.

—Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady.

Entertainment, October 17th

Short sketches entitled, "The First Time" and "The Dead Beat" will be given in the Parish House, Friday evening, October 17th by the pupils of the Boys Dramatic School, 1720 Chestnut Street. This will be the first of a series of plays to be given this winter for the Parish House Fund by the men of Mr. Arndt's Monday evening class. Admission 25 cents.

Musical Service

Our monthly musical service on the first Sunday evening in October will be somewhat varied in character from the hymn services held heretofore. The choir at that time will render Mozart's "Gloria" from the "Twelfth Mass," to be preceded by appropriate remarks upon the tenor of its message from the chancel.

Charles Wheeler Schwartz

On Sunday morning, August 31st, Charles Wheeler Schwartz, passed from this life to the life immortal.

Owing to the large number of our parishioners who were away from home on their Summer vacation the death of Mr. Schwartz may be news. His funeral took place in Christ Church on Tuesday, September 2nd and the interment was at South Laurel Hill.

On the return to Germantown of the members of the Vestry resolutions will be adopted and will be published in the next issue of the "Chimes." In his sermon on the first Sunday morning after his return, the Rector made reference to the death of Mr. Schwartz and his long term of faithful service as Vestryman.

For thirty-five years a vestryman of Christ Church, at one time a teacher and the Superintendent of the Sunday School for many years the Accounting Warden and our representative to both the Diocesan Convention and the Convocation of Germantown, Charles Wheeler Schwartz was always faithful to every trust, loyal to every good cause, deeply devoted to the interest of the Church and generous and self-sacrificing to every appeal for the furtherance of the religion of Christ both at home and abroad. Positive in his conviction, he was frank, open, sincere and honest. His acts of kindness and gifts of charity reached out to all classes of people and only those who were near to him—as the Rector of this Parish had the privilege of being—ever knew of his abundant generosity to the poor and his eager desire to help the needy whenever opportunity afforded. Although he was unable, through his sad affliction, to serve his Church for the past five years, so highly was he esteemed and so greatly

honored was his name, that to his death, he was continued each year to be elected a member of the Vestry.

His devotion and loyalty and self-sacrificing service to the cause of Christ and His Church will ever remain a precious legacy to this Parish and will continue to be, to his family to his friends and to every member of Christ Church an inspiration to Christian character and service. Surely it may be said of him, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Boys' Brigade

Here's some interesting news for the boys of our Parish. On Friday evening, October the 3rd, we shall organize a military brigade and all boys twelve years of age and over, and not less than 5 ft. 2 in. in height are eligible for membership. Our brigade is to be an auxiliary to the Sunday School and the Church and through its influence we hope not only to develop our own boys in Christian character and manliness but to win many others of the non-churched boys and young men of the neighborhood into our Sunday School. The object of such an organization is broad and comprehensive. It is intended to elevate the boys and young men, to bring out all the good there is in them, to promote the habits of reverence, discipline and self-respect to inculcate a spirit of Christian manliness, and to create in them a love for their country and to establish the Kingdom of Christ in their hearts. We therefore earnestly urge the parents of our Sunday School scholars to commend the Brigade to their boys. It is not, be it understood a military organization in the sense that it creates in the boy unwholesome desires for war-like practices but to the contrary it aims to show that Christ came as a messenger of peace and good will toward men. The military feature is only adopted for an end. If placing a rifle in the hands of a boy and a uniform on his back will be the means of making him a little man and saving his soul then the end for which the organization was started has been accom-

plished. And this is the sole object which the Boys Brigade of Christ Church will serve. Our Parish House is well equipped for this movement. We already have a splendid armory and many promises of assistance toward making the Brigade a success from the start, and we simply wish now to appeal to the parents of all the boys in the neighborhood whether they are affiliated with Christ Church in any way or not to urge their boys to enroll in this organization for their own good. Any boy of good moral character will be cordially welcomed into our ranks. Definite announcements will be made later in the Sunday School and Church.

H. W. G.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

A preliminary meeting of our Brotherhood Chapter is to be held on Friday evening, September the 26th, in which plans for an extensive campaign among the men of this community are to be proposed and discussed. The field all about us is truly white unto the harvest and this should be a clear sounding call to the laborers to begin the reaping. The Brotherhood will begin its work this fall with an increase in membership, and we also trust and believe with new inspiration and fresh zeal. To bring men under the influence of the Church ought to strike a responsive cord in every Christian heart and the Brotherhood is determined to live up to this high ideal of service. The National Convention is to convene in New York City from October 1 to 5, simultaneously with the General Convention of the Church and a number of our brothers are scheduled to attend its sessions. Let us hope and pray that this great gathering of devoted Churchmen may vitalize the whole Brotherhood movement with renewed impetus for spreading Christ's Kingdom among men, and also that the glowing opportunities for effective service which we have right here in our own neighborhood may inspire each brotherhood man of our local chapter to fully do his part in leading those who know not God into the marvelous light and liberty of Christ's salvation.

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The Rector's Notes

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All Saints' Day

The important teaching which the Church emphasizes at this time of the year and for which it appoints a special day for all its members to lay deeply to heart its solemn lessons, is the great and blessed truth of the "Communion of Saints." Of all the anniversaries that come and go in the circling course of the Church's year there is none, perhaps, which comes more close to human hearts than that known and loved as "All Saints' Day." Many feasts and festivals there are, which, like greater planets, shine resplendent in the heavens, revolving closely about the Sun of Righteousness and then reflecting and shedding forth His glory. Such are the feasts of our Lord's Nativity, His Resurrection, His Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit. These glorious festivals, which we observe in the Church year, must, indeed, command our homage and our devotion.

But this "Quiet Day" of the Church's cycle, wearing the softened halo of autumn's mystic beauty, steals gently into the sanctuary of the heart and fills it with a sweet incense and an holy influence all its own.

For while, upon this day of hallowed memories we should and do recall the Saints of all ages, the glorious company of the Apostles, the goodly fellowship of the prophets, the noble

army of martyrs enriching the Church throughout all the world—yet, who of us does not know that swiftly the vista shortens, and the cycle narrows and full soon the heart is gathering about this day its own dear, precious absent ones and feels a throbbing, holy joy as it looks into the faces of departed ones which it has "loved long since and lost awhile."

At this Holy Day of Remembrances as we kneel before God's altar and draw near unto Him in the Communion of the Blessed Body and Blood of His Son Jesus Christ, silently the mist veiled gates of Paradise swing wide open and lo they throng about us—those loved ones dear; and as they come, distance and time dispelled by sweet memory's wand, each loved one wears again the form endeared, clothed in that immortal garb woven by each soul in its earthly journey, its own enduring, divine personality.

"O blessed communion, fellowship divine!

We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;

Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia!

Let this hallowed festival of "All Saints" make real to each one of us the blessed truth that the blessed saints are near and close to Christ, their Saviour and ours; let each one of us,

while here in our pilgrimage below, so live each day of our lives, close to things holy and heavenly, as to make us meet to enjoy the fullness of Communion with them hereafter. Let us thank God for their noble example; let us pray to Him for strength to emulate their self denial and ask for grace to follow after their faith; for courage patiently and hopefully to love and labor in the service of God, even as they loved and labored;—to live, as they who are living in the fuller presence of their Lord, would have us live; and to die, as they died "in the communion of the Church of Jesus Christ, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope, in favor with Thee, our God, and in perfect charity with the world." And then, when we, too, are called Home; when the pilgrimage of life is over; when the heat and burden of the day have been bravely borne, when the watching eyes are closing in sleep and the weary head is at rest, may we pass into their blessed company and with them in hope and bliss await the hour for which angels are longing and the Church praying, and all material creation is groaning and travailing—the hour when the mystical number of the elect shall be completed, the hundred and forty four thousand sealed and the kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of Christ.

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter from a parishioner:

October 14th, 1913

My dear Mr. Arndt:

I enclosed a poem sent me by a friend in Rhode Island. The author is a Presbyterian Minister of Edinburgh. It seemed to me a remarkable poem, coming from a Presbyterian and I thought you might find room in the next issue of the "Chimes" for it.

Sincerely,

Prayers for the Dead

O'er land and sea love follows with you a prayer,
Its dear ones in their trouble, grief, and care.

There is no spot,
On which it does not drop its tender dew,
Except the grave, "and there it bids adieu,"
And prayeth not.

Why should that be the only place un-
cheered
By prayer, which to our hearts is so en-
deared
And sacred grown?
Living, we sought for blessing on their
head;
Why should our lips be closed when they
are dead
And we alone?

Idle? Their doom is fixed? Ah who can tell?
Yet, were it so, I think no ill could
Come from my prayer;
And oh, the heart, o'er burdened with its
grief,
This comfort needs, and seeks therein re-
lief
From its despair.

Shall God be wroth because we love them
still,
And call upon his love to shield from ill
Our dearest, best,
And bring them home, and recompense
their pain,
And cleanse their sin, (if any sin remain)
And give them rest?

Nay; I will not believe it, I will pray,
As for the living, for the dead each day.
They will not grow less meet for Heaven,
when followed by a prayer
To wait them home like summer scented
air
From long ago.

Who can forbid the heart's desires to flow
Beyond the limits of the things we know?
In Heaven above
The incense that the golden censers bear,
Is the sweet perfume from the saintly
prayer
Of trust and love."

As to our friend's remark, "it seems to me a remarkable poem coming from a Presbyterian," the Rector would reply, that whilst it might seem "remarkable," yet it is, really, the most natural expression of a deeply religious soul. We pray for those we love while here on earth, and their prayers go up to heaven for us. Shall we think less of them and they of us and cease to pray, when they and we are even nearer one another than when on earth? We know not how, but love will never cease to think and pray for those dear ones who have gone before. All that we know about them is what faith accepts; and love is built on faith. The dear ones go away; they pass from our view; our hearts die down; our eyes are full of tears; and we say, "they are gone." Do they yet live?

If so, are they aught to us or we to them? And are we still, in any sense, as ever, one? The late Rev. Morgan Dix, Rector of Trinity Church, New York says: "The teaching is very clear and distinct. It is drawn partly from the written word of God; partly from the concurrent belief of His people; and in part it comes to us through the voice of nature, which no man can silence. God tells us—for however it comes the message is His—that the Departed live, that they are conscious, that they are happy, that they are in Christ, that they are one with us. No real separation occurs, when, in the sight of man they seem to die. There is indeed a local separation, a physical and material one; but really, truly, and spiritually, we are with them, and they with us. Memory and love can never fail. They remember, they love us; they think, and we are in their thoughts; they pray, and we are in their prayers. We are members of of the same church, the same household, the same family. One God is father of us all; they have, as we might say, passed out of one room into another in the same building of the Lord; one and the same roof is still over us and them; they are in a better, brighter quarter of the same great Home and House of Christ, and whatever they are doing, whatever they are beholding, whatever they are enjoying, they never forget us, nor cease to count the hours of time till we be with them.

Such is briefly the teaching of God, speaking to us of this through His Holy Scriptures, and the Church and our own hearts. * * * I pray you, bear in mind the contrast between the Faith of the Church and our practice. There are few things more striking than this contrast; between the elevating and consoling truth that they are all living in God, that we are with them in Christ that the whole Church, this side of the veil and beyond it, is one and the same family; and our chill, hard indifference to and neglect of them, their names, their memories as if death were annihilation, and partings here partings for ever, and the separation between us that of hollow, hopeless, voiceless silence never to be broken.

This practical separation between us and the dead in Christ, is one of the misfortunes and calamities of the times; it would be hard to estimate what we must be losing, spiritually, every day we live, in consequence. And if any ask how it has come to pass, the answer is clear. It is the result of banishing them, as has been done, from the devotional exercises of the people of God, here on earth. If they be really so very near to us, as God says they are, that close and most precious inter-communion should be mentioned; it should have its definite expression, and be kept ever before the eyes, and in the ears, of us who remain here below. This was done in the Primitive Church in the ancient use of prayers for the departed. For thousands of years such prayers have been a part of the instituted service of the Lord's people. They were in use among the Israelites hundreds of years before Christ. They form a part of the Synagogue and Temple worship, in which the Lord and His Apostles took part when they were here. They are in every Liturgy of the ancient Christian Church, known to us at this hour. They were retained in the First Reformed Prayer Book of the Church of England, through reverence for the ancient uses of Christianity. * * * The Reformers rightly protested against the Roman doctrine concerning Purgatory, with its corollaries of masses for the delivery of suffering souls, and indulgences of time to be spent in that place of woe. All those novel inventions they rightly denounced; but in abating them they went too far, and came near utterly silencing the voice of the Church on that subject. They did not quite silence it, for they left a few words in the Prayer for Christ's Church militant to remind us that the Dead in the Lord still live; Let us make it a matter of religious duty never to forget the Holy Dead, never to let go of them, to insist that they are not really gone from us, to resolve that nothing shall divide us still farther, or widen the gap which Death has made! Until it is with us a matter of principle and religious duty to be as loyal, as faithful, as true, as loving towards our beloved ones now

as we were while they were with us, we shall be losing help, comfort and grace, and suffering that moral decline which comes of solitude, selfishness, and isolation.

Let the memory of those who are in Christ be a purifying motive in our actions. Let their names be uttered with joy, as the names of those who live, in a truer sense than we. Let us remember that it is we who are in the shadows and the darkness, not they; let us cling to the idea of our communion with them as a powerful aid to us in our effort to lead holy lives. And let the thought of them calm our troubled souls; for soon shall we be where they are, "where storms shall cease, and surges swell no more." So pass the shadows away! So let the veil be drawn aside! So may we who, though parted for a time, are one in Christ for ever, be also made one again, in that dear and everlasting home, where the righteous shine forth as the sun, in their Heavenly Father's Realm."

Have Funerals in the Church

There is a widespread and popular custom of having funerals in private houses that is thoroughly unchurch-worthy, unedifying and undevout. It is also unrubrical. The Prayer Book provides that the Burial Office may be said either in the Church or the graveyard. "The minister meeting the corpse at the entrance of the church and going before it, either into the church or towards the grave." The office may be said partly or entirely in either. The only valid reason for not having it in the church is in the case of infectious diseases, when the Board of Health will not allow the Church to be used, and in that case it is better to say the whole office in the graveyard.

The custom of "house funerals," as they are called, originated outside the church, when it was usual to have a service upon the model of a prayer meeting with eulogies, prayers and addresses by persons present, this service lasting, sometimes, several hours.

When the Burial Service is used at "house funerals" it is often far from being a solemn service.

The friends are crowded together in the various rooms of the house, from the back kitchen to the garret. They generally sit on camp chairs, or on the stairs, and not infrequently on one another's laps.

All this does not especially contribute to solemnity or reverence. The Prayer Book directs that "the minister, meeting the corpse at the entrance of the church-yard and going before it, either into the church or toward the grave, shall say the Order for the Burial of the Dead."

This is dignified, solemn, impressive. The Church regards death as an occasion for reverence, for praise, for worship. She, therefore, provides that those who die in the Lord shall be brought within her holy walls.

Rubrics and Canons Sometimes Forgotten

When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish.—Rubric in the Order for the Visitation of the Sick.

A communicant removing from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any), of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to admit such a person to the Holy Communion until letters be procured stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing.—Canon 12, Title 11.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all Godly and sober conversation.—Canon 20, Title 1.

Cast-off Clothing Needed

Winter clothing, outer or under garments, and shoes are solicited from members in the Parish. All clothing sent to the Parish House will be worthily bestowed. The Sexton is in the Parish House until five o'clock every day.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
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Kalendar for November

Nov. 1st—All Saint's Day.
Nov. 2nd—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.
Nov. 9th—Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 16th—Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity
Nov. 23rd—Sunday next before Advent
Nov. 27th—Thanksgiving Day.
Nov. 30th—First Sunday in Advent (St. Andrew's Day).

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second and Fourth Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Friday, 3.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

On All Saint's Day (November 1st) there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. and at 11.00 A. M. with sermon. At the latter service the names of those who have departed this life during the past year will be read from the chancel. Persons are invited to send memorial flowers to be placed on the altar on All Saint's Day.

It may not be generally known that Evening Prayer is said in the Church every Friday afternoon at five o'clock. If more people knew of this peaceful Evening Service there would be a larger attendance on this day, which the Church sets forth as a day of fasting and prayer in memory of the Cross.

"Week by week this day we ask

That holy memories of Thy Cross
May sanctify each common task,

And turn to gain each earthly loss.
Grant us, dear Lord our cross to bear,

Till at Thy feet we lay it down;
Win through Thy blood our pardon
there,

And through the cross attain the
crown."

The Holiday Fair

A Bazaar and Supper will be held in the Parish House on the afternoons and evenings of Wednesday and Thursday, November 5th and 6th.

The supper will be served each night from six to seven thirty o'clock, and it is hoped that everyone will come, and partake of the excellent meals that will be provided, the price of which will be 50c. per plate.

Fancy articles, useful articles, toys, dolls, books, cards, calendars, flowers, etc., will be exhibited attractively for sale. Each booth will represent a holiday of the year, and the decorations will be appropriate.

Refreshments, such as cakes, candy and lemonade will be served at small tables and under the care of the girls of the Sunday School.

In addition, an entertainment which will add greatly to the pleasure of the occasion, will be given Wednesday evening, October 5th, for which there will be a charge of thirty-five cents.

A special feature of this entertainment will be the orchestra composed of pupils of the Philadelphia Musical Academy. Vocal and instrumental music and a short sketch will also be given at this concert.

Contributions of flowers, eatables, and merchandise will be gladly welcomed by the members of the various committees.

Kindly send donations to the Rectory, where they will be received.

All this effort is primarily to extend acquaintance and good fellowship among the members of the Church, and secondly to furnish money for urgent repairs and to decrease the debt on the Parish House property.

If the affair is to be a success, and all the committees are working hard to make it successful, let each and every member conscientiously endeavor to help.

It is needless to say that a fair share of the duties will not burden any one, and the result will be amazing to all of us.
I. K. R.

Thanksgiving Day

The services on Thanksgiving Day will be Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11.00 o'clock. The annual offering for the Episcopal Hospital will be taken on that day.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

The winter work of the chapter has been planned for some time ahead and with the help of several new men who have heard "the call" we trust will be carried on with interest and success.

It has been decided to change our meeting night to the third Tuesday evening of each month when any men who care to spend a little while with us will be gladly welcomed. Two members of the chapter were able to attend the Brotherhood Convention held in New York City in October and spent a very profitable time. The Corporate Communion of the Brotherhood men, held on Sunday morning October 5th, at 7.30 o'clock was most inspiring both as regards benefit derived by the participants and as an example for other men to follow. The sight of our two thousand men assembled in the massive Cathedral of St. John the Divine at that early hour—delegates from forty-four states—drawn by a common bond for a common purpose would have surely stirred the coldest heart into some degree of warmth and faith.

Several years ago it was attempted to hold Men's Corporate Communions in

this Parish but with out much success. This winter we hope to carry out this idea to fulfillment and trust that every one who reads this article will bear it in mind. Mothers, wives, sisters, friends—all can help by using their influence upon those who should, but do not, regularly attend the Holy Communion. Bear in mind the saying of Christ "Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by?" If it is anything to you it is worth sharing with others. Will you do it?

C. H. J.

Sunday School

The great need of the Sunday School today is more teachers. The best results undoubtedly are obtained by having small classes and plenty of men. It is next to impossible for any teacher to do much good with a large class of energetic, restless, wide-awake and inquisitive boys or girls in an open school. Some teachers apparently give up all hope and let their scholars follow their own sweet will. I don't wonder. It is too much for any one teacher to control a large class keeping up the interest in a course of teaching twenty minutes or half hour. What we need is more teachers. It is really not so much of a hardship as some may imagine. Of course you must come every Sunday for we must have regular attendance, but look at the hours, 9.30 to 10.45. To what use do you usually put that one hour and a quarter? Certainly there is nothing of more importance than the religious education of the future great."

The delightful satisfaction that follows as you settle down in church to enjoy the morning service makes up for all the darts your self importance may have received while in Sunday School. We want more teachers. The machinery is there, the officers, the scholars and the school room, but after all the teachers are the all important part of the school. Come and help. Try it for this one winter.

C. T. M.

Boys' Brigade

The Boys' Brigade of Christ Church is now a fact. On Friday evening, October 10th, Mag. Gen. Fred. Gerhard, Penna. Division, U. B. B. A., organized our boys into Company II of the First Regiment, Philadelphia Brigade, and seventeen enthusiastic boys of our Parish are now a part of that great army of Christian soldiers, one hundred thousand strong which is bivouaced among thousands of Sunday Schools all over the country. Gen. Gerhard in his splendid address inspired the boys with the noble ideals of the organization and Col. Keeble, commander of the First Regiment, of which our company is a part, outlined the work, recreation and pleasure to which the boys may look forward. We are to be congratulated in having as commanding officer, First Lieut. Paul Williams, N. G. P., who is every inch a soldier, and for Second Lieut. Geo. Taylor, an able and efficient comrade in arms. Pleasant anticipations of the future are already looming large. There are signs which indicate that Company II will soon become one of the two crack companies of the Philadelphia Brigade. This should inspire each one of our boys with a sense of our importance and responsibility. It should make us all, young and old, members of the brigade and everybody else connected with the Parish zealous missionaries in bringing new recruits from the outside into our ranks. It is our purpose to make Company II a direct agency for advancing Christ's kingdom among boys and we appeal for the hearty co-operation of the entire Church in this laudable work. We particularly ask every member of the Parish, especially the grown ups folks, to take some active interest in our boy soldiers. Urge boys to join us; help us with counsel and money; come out to our drills on Friday night and see what we are doing; donate to us furnishings to make our company room bright and attractive, and your reward, under the Master's blessing will be to see a splendid work of character building going on in an ever growing organization, an increasing enrollment in the

Sunday School, and a larger percentage of boys in our confirmation classes.

H. W. G.

As several of the Parish organizations have not as yet elected their officers for the ensuing year the list of officers of Parochial societies will not be published in this issue of the "Chimes."

It is hoped in the next issue to have a complete list of all the Societies, together with the names of officers and the dates of meetings.

The Altar Guild

On Monday, October 13th the Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly meetings and the members have started their fall work in earnest.

At the opening of the meeting the President read two letters received from members of the Altar Guild of the City Mission thanking the Guild of Christ Church for a donation of altar linens to be used at the service held in the prisons and slums of Philadelphia.

Besides the regular business to be discussed, plans for the fair to be held on November 5th and 6th were considered, the Guild having charge of the supper to be served both evenings. It is earnestly hoped that as many persons as possible will take their supper at the Parish House those evenings as every means is being taken to make it a success.

During the summer the members of the Women's Bible Class of which Mrs. Baremore is teacher, presented the church with two sets of prayer books and hymnals for the side altar. In this connection it might be well to remark that the Guild is always very grateful for donations of any kind, for, with the exception of the monthly dues of the members, it is dependent entirely upon outside contributions.

In conclusion a word of praise should be extended to the members of the Guild who were so faithful in their duties during the past summer. Not only were flowers supplied for the altar every Sunday but their work was so efficient that it was especially prais-

ed by the clergy. May not this be an inspiration for even better results in the future?

H. P. D.

The Daughters of the King commenced their winters work with the following officers:

President—Miss G. M. Roop

Vice President—Mrs. C. H. Arndt

Treasurer—Mrs. Quay

Secretary—Miss Caroline Parker

After going through the usual business Miss Parker was appointed to represent the Chapter at the Convention to be held in New York, October 14th, 15th and 16th.

Mrs. Arndt, being National Treasurer of the Order and President of the Local Assembly of this Diocese, also went to the Convention.

E. L. M.

The Christ Church Club

This is a small organization consisting of but twelve members. It originally was an auxiliary to a club of young men which is no longer in existence.

Meetings are held once a month, the second Thursday usually, at the houses of the members. This has been done as we find it more pleasant than meeting at the Parish House.

A part is being taken by the club in the coming fair and at various times during the year some work is done by them in a small way. For instance, some money is given to the Children's Country Week, \$10.00 a year is sent to Bishop Scadding for the Oregon Silent Churches, a corporate communion is held once a year for its departed members and dinners sent out to worthy poor at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

There is no devotional service connected with its meetings, but the constitution calls for its members to assist the Rector wherever possible.

Olive G. Kirkland, Sec.

Choir Notes

We are having a revival of old times in the choir this Fall, not only in numbers, but the spirit to do things, is manifest also.

It is our purpose to have social gatherings from time to time throughout the cold season in the Parish House, (the get better acquainted kind) so we will really know each other and be in better trim to do our work when we go into service. The first of these Socials will be held on the 13th of November. We anticipate a pleasant evening.

We will have several special musical services this fall and winter, starting with P. H. Schnecker's Advent Cantata to be given November 30th in the evening with some special hymns. We also will sing some new anthems in other services. It is the choir-master's intention to have bright hearty, spiritual singing in all the services and asks the prayers of the congregation to give us the wisdom to so interpret the music that each anthem or hymn rendered will be helpful to us all. In the next months issue we will print a complete list of members in the choir.

E. K. M.

The business editor has received sixty subscriptions to the "Chimes" since the October issue. We need about seventy-five more subscribers to put the "Chimes" on a good financial basis and it is hoped that members of the Parish who have not yet sent their subscriptions will do so at once. The rate is 50 cents per year. If it is desired to have copies mailed monthly, the rate is 60c. Remittance should be made to the business editor, Stanley V. Wilcox, 82 West Johnson St., Germantown, Pa.

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A Word to the Wise

One day a thousand years and more ago a man by the name of Saul was converted, under the mercy of God, to the Christian faith. With a clean

heart and a new joy and a fervid desire to praise and serve his newly found Saviour, he hastened from Damascus up to Jerusalem to become a communicant member of the Church in that city. But we are told that when Saul was come to Jerusalem and essayed to join himself to the disciples they were all afraid of him and gave him no welcome. In and out of the Church he passed unnoticed; in the seclusion of his own soul he was left to worship as best he might; no kindly word of greeting lifted the heavy cloud of loneliness from his heart; no cordial hand-clasp welcomed him as a friend and brother. They gave him a prayer book to be sure; they gravely escorted him to a pew; he was privileged to join in the common worship of the Church, but still for all that, he felt himself a stranger and somehow ignored. How he longed for S. Peter, S. James and S. John to come to him after the service was over and with a hearty handclasp say, "Welcome, my brother into our Church. We are glad to see you. Come again." But no, not a word was spoken nor a hand outstretched and poor Saul was in a sore way. Courtesy the Church had given him, but he wanted more than that. He wanted cordiality, and the welcome which comes from a friendly glance and a cheery word. He had not, indeed, come to Church to gossip or to enjoy a social time, neither did he want the members of that Church to make a "fuss" over him, but, as a stranger among them, he did want and had the right to expect the cordial greetings of his fellow Christians with whom he wished to worship in the common ties of brotherhood. Had the apostles persisted in thus ignoring the lonely stranger, Saul might have turned his back upon the Church and been forever lost to the cause of Christ, but happily S. Barnabas, one of their number, with the true Christlike spirit, at length went up to him and spoke a few kind words and then introduced him to all the apostles and brethren and told them how he had seen the Lord in the way and that He had spoken unto him and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the

name of Jesus, and then when James and Cephas and John who were the pillars of that Church perceived the grace that was given unto Saul, they repented then of their spiritual inhospitality and gladly gave to him the right hand of fellowship, and so the lonely stranger, who is also called Paul found a place and a welcome in the House of God at last. He that hath ears to hear let him hear.

Personal Notice

This column may be used by persons personally known to the Rector, free of charge for two consecutive months.

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Position wanted: Coachman or gardener; experienced man. Inquire of Rector.

Seamstress wants position to go out by the day. Inquire of Rector.

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Non-Church Going Habit

"It is all a habit!" We wonder how often one hears that expression as an excuse, or an explanation of the neglect of the Church services! This neglect is a habit, and a bad one. It grows into a habit, and a bad one. It grows into a systematic neglect of all that pertains to the outward expression of religious life, and its effect on the more personal, inner, life is not less sure. A certain moral complacency grows up that makes the real conscience in the matter hard to reach. Dr. Lyman Abbott, in an open letter to the "Outlook" deals with the habit—that of church-going. He says:

"I heard the other Sunday a very excellent sermon on the advantages of church-going, and asked the preacher of the sermon, for permission to give to others one paragraph in which the

advantages of church-going were summed up. The paragraph was as follows:

"But I do say without fear of successful contradiction, that the conscientious habit of going to Church always is one of the surest promoters of human happiness and courage. It broadens the mind, it cheers the soul. It lifts men's thoughts to the skies above them. It breaks the dull routine of work; it releases the captives of toil. It makes life interesting again; it awakens new powers of insight and sympathy. It changes the world's prose into poetry. For this is the conclusion of the matter: 'They kept the feast with gladness. For they all rejoiced, so that there was great joy in Jerusalem.'"

A Page in Church History

"The Church of England stands the one Church which has never separated itself from any Church or person."

We find this remarkable saying in the writing of the late Right Rev. George Ridgway, Bishop of Southwell, in England, remarkable not only by its clean, strong utterance, but for its perfect truthfulness. And in thinking of it we must remember that the Church in this country is the old Church in a new land. And the honor claimed for the Church in England belongs as much to the Church in this land. "It is the one Church that has never separated itself from any other."

It did not separate itself from the Presbyterians, or from the Methodists, or from the Baptists or from the Quakers. It stood firm and steadfast on the foundation and principles it had held from the days of the first Apostles and every one of those bodies went out from it and separated themselves from it. They were not thrust out, they went out. It was their voluntary act.

And it is equally true that the Church of England never separated from the Church of Rome. The Church of Rome withdrew from the

Church of England and separated itself from it. Up to the reign of Queen Elizabeth and for some years during her reign, there was but one Church in England, and, although they differed somewhat in their teaching, those who held fast to Roman doctrine and those who accepted the reform views, all attended the same Church and worshiped together. And Lord Chief Justice Cook remarks that then the Pope offered to the Queen that he would and consent to and permit the English Prayer Book if she would only acknowledge his supremacy. This she declined to do. And the Pope thereupon issued his command that his adherents in England should withdraw from communion with the Church of England and form a separate organization in England.

It is well that these historical facts should be known. It has been common to charge the Church of England and its daughter in this country with being uncharitable and excluding others.

But it never excluded any of them; they went out voluntarily. She stands where she has always stood. Her door stands open, and her welcome is warm and ready for any one who wishes to enter." —Bishop Parets.

Memorial Flowers

Flowers on the Altar during the month of November will be in loving memory of the following persons:

First Sunday—Ralph Wilkinson

Second Sunday—George Parker

Third Sunday—Unassigned

Fourth Sunday—Stephen T. Beale

Thanksgiving Day—John B. Falkner, Jr.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
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IMPORTANT NOTICE Special Advent Sermons

The Rector has arranged for a series of special Advent Services and Sermons which will be of absorbing interest to every one in this community. Four eminent speakers and specialists on the subject of Social Service have consented to give addresses in Christ Church—one on each of the four Sunday evenings in Advent, beginning Sunday evening, November 30th. This subject of social service has engaged a world wide attention of late and Commissions on Social Service are at work in this and other lands to spread the principles of Social Service throughout the world. The Social Service Commission is now a part of the official life of the Church. Consequently it deserves the serious consideration of every loyal Churchman. In some diocese a Social Service Committee has been organized to inaugurate a definite propaganda. The Social Service Commission seeks to apply its principles to every walk of life. "It makes a study of the conditions of employed children and corrects abuses connected therewith;" it seeks to improve the housing condition of the poor; it aids in the attainment of the legal rights of these people; it seeks "to safe guard the integrity of the race and the home, so far as the power lies with them, by spreading educational matter before the congregations and, if not insisting upon, at least encouraging the presentation of a health certificate from a reputable physician to the effect that those who are to marry have

neither an incurable or a communicable disease." These are but a few objects of its endeavor.

It will be seen at a glance that the work of the Social Service Commission is most vital and far reaching in its scope. It should enlist the enthusiastic interest of every Churchman, Christian and patriot. It relates to the home, to the Church and to the State. It seeks to apply the living principles of Jesus Christ to every walk of life. It means the "voice of one crying in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the Lord; make His paths straight." It means the heralding of the Coming of the Kingdom of God.

The appropriateness therefore, of the consideration of such vital subjects as these during the Season of Advent will be patent to all. The Rector urges that every member of Christ shall not only attend these special Advent Services but, also, shall proclaim them abroad to their friends and neighbors, and influence them to share the privilege of hearing these addresses.

The courtesy of these distinguished speakers in coming to Christ Church on Sunday evenings in Advent to speak to our people is highly appreciated and the Rector asks that every member shall make it his or her duty to co-operate in making these services known far and wide, that this rare course of addresses may be heard by many.

The course will be on Sunday evenings during Advent at 7.45 o'clock. There will be special music on each evening. All seats will be free and a

cordial invitation is extended to every one.

The special speakers will be as follows:

Sunday, Nov 30th—The Rev. George C. Foley, D. D.

Sunday, Dec. 7th—The Rev. William N. Groton, D. D.

Sunday, Dec. 14th—The Rev. Louis C. Washburn, D. D.

Sunday, Dec. 21st—The Rev. G. Woolsey Hodge, D. D.

To Non-Givers

Two years ago the "duplex envelopes system" of giving was introduced into the Parish. By this system each contributor is afforded an opportunity of giving weekly an offering toward parish work and toward the work of missions. The increase in the offerings to missions has been most encouraging. Our people are awakening to the privilege of giving by a systematic, weekly offering. A large number of the people of Christ Church, however, have not as yet availed themselves of this envelope system of giving. The current expenses of the Parish amount, in round numbers, to \$7000.00 per annum. Our assessment for Missions, Convocation, Episcopal and Convention Funds amount to, in round numbers \$2000.00, making a total of \$9000.00 a year, fixed charges. If every member of the Parish would give 30 cents a week, or a little over four cents a day, the total, in addition to the amount received in pew rents, would be ample to meet all expenses and assessments of the Parish. Will not every one, who has not as yet, subscribed a weekly offering through the envelope system please do so at once and thus share in bearing the expenses of the Parish? We have not many "shirkers" in Christ Church. A large majority of the people are giving their share and some more than their share: but there are some—and, as a rule, they are the ones most exacting in their demands and the most ready to criticize others—who are evading their Christian duty and are letting others pay the expenses, while they do the "talking." Let every one who attends the services of Christ Church

begin now, this Advent Season, to do his or her duty. The envelope system of giving affords every one such an opportunity. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger. "Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gathereth thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity."

Advent Sunday is the beginning of the Christian year. "Thus it happens says Bishop Coxe "that in the Kingdom of Heaven, we live in advance of the world; we are a whole month on our way before the civil year begins. In this way our Holy Mother, the Church, teaches us to be ever on the alert, looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Day of God."

The Christian year, beginning with the Season of Advent, is so arranged as to bring before us the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. This aim is carried out by means of special collects, Epistles and Gospel, by special Lessons, and in certain cases by special selections of psalms.

The season of Advent, so called from the Latin *Adventus*, a coming, is intended to prepare our minds for the celebration of the coming of our Lord, both on that first Christmas Day and also on that great last Day when we shall all appear before the judgment seat of God. It is impossible for us, as Christians, to enter into the joy of Christmas unless we realize the object for which Christ came into the world—viz: to save not merely from the guilt and consequences but from the power of sin.

Thus, this season of Advent, in its Lessons, Epistles and Gospels, strongly mingles the most joyous with the most appalling thoughts; for while it strikes the keynote of our Christmas rejoicings, it dwells on this first Advent with special reference to its bearings on that which is yet future, when "He shall come again to judge both the quick and the dead."

How helpful to the soul this annual "awakening," and setting forward to-

wards Christ's appearing and towards immortality!

Christ tells us: "Watch, therefore, for ye know not when the Master of the House cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping."

The Christian year, which, as we have said, begins with Advent, is divided, for practical and doctrinal purposes, into two parts. In the first or festal part of the year—that is from Advent to Trinity—the Epistles and Gospels are selected for their appropriateness to the teachings of the doctrine of the day or season; in the second, or non-festal part of the year—that is, from Trinity to Advent—they follow a certain regularity, setting forth the practical life, which should flow out of these doctrines or teachings.

By this method of the Christian year the Church brings before her people the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. Nothing essential is lost; nothing is added. It is a well rounded teaching of the Christian faith and life.

The teachings of the various seasons of the Church year may be epitomized as follows:

Advent. The Church year commences with the season of Advent which begins four Sundays before Christmas Day. During this period the Church warns mankind of the coming of Christ, the Son of God. This season is penitential in its character. The color for Advent is purple.

Christmas. The Advent season is followed by Christmas Day, and the Christmas season, which commemorate the birth of Christ. Color is white.

Epiphany. Then comes the season of the Epiphanytide, when the wise men, led by the star, came to see the infant Christ. Our Lord is here manifested before the Gentile world as the Son of the Living God. Color is purple.

Lent. This season lasts for forty days and is a period of abstinence and prayer. Consistent church members do

not attend any places of amusement during this season and practice special self-denial in the way of food, pleasure, etc. Color is purple.

Good Friday. This day commemorates the crucifixion of Christ. It is a solemn fast day in the Church. Color black.

Easter. On this day and during this Eastertide the Church emphasizes the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Color is white.

The Ascension. Forty days after the resurrection is celebrated the feast of the Ascension and the Ascensiontide when Christ ascended into heaven. Color is white.

The Feast of Whitsunday. Ten days after the Ascension occurs the feast of Whitsunday, or Pentecost, when the Holy Ghost came down upon the assembled Christian band in the upper chamber. Color is red.

Trinity. Then follows Trinity Sunday which closes the doctrinal part of the year and brings before the people the idea of the ever blessed Trinity. Color is white.

Trinity Season. On the Sundays following and continuing up to Advent the practical duties of the Christian life are emphasized. Like Aaron's rod, the rod and staff of our Creed must now blossom and bear fruit in Christian life and service; so we pray the life-giving Spirit, that we, who are by nature dead in sin, may become plants of grace in the garden of God. The color of Trinity season is, therefore, green.

Saints' Days and other holy days, intersperse the Church year to commemorate the blessed Apostles and martyrs of the Church. The color for martyrdom is red.

No real progress in any department of our lives has been made by intermittent efforts. All true growth is steady and consistent if it is a healthy growth. Let us not deceive ourselves, then, into thinking that we can make any real progress morally or spiritually unless we are constant and faithful, in season and out of season, in the worship and service of Almighty God, and in our use of the Sacraments of His Church.

The attendance of the Male Communicants of the Parish is directed to an appeal by the members of the local chapter of the Brotherhood of S. Andrew, to make S. Andrews day, which occurs on Sunday, November 30th, an occasion for a corporate Communion of men. This is a nation wide endeavor on the part of the Brotherhood of S. Andrew, to have the men of the Church set apart this day to come to God's Altar and there shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart, dedicate themselves anew, their souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy and loving sacrifice, unto God. It was a most inspiring sight at the Brotherhood Convention, held in the city of New York last October, to see over two thousand men in the Cathedral of S. John the Divine at the early Celebration of the Holy Communion.

S. Andrew, after he had found "the Messiah which is called the Christ," immediately went out and brought his brother Simon to the Saviour. On Sunday, November 30, the feast of S. Andrew, may we not see a large body of men kneeling at the Altar in Christ Church, seeking to find the "Messiah, which is called the Christ?" Let every male communicant in the Parish begin now to prepare to come to the corporate Communion on S. Andrew Day at half past seven o'clock.

The Rev. H. W. Gernand, who has been the Curate at Christ Church during the past year, has accepted a call to become rector of S. Pauls Church, Montrose, Pa., and enters upon his new duties on Sunday next before Advent. Mr. Gernand served his Diaconate in Christ Church Parish and was ordained to the Priesthood last June.

The Rector regrets to lose Mr. Gernand as curate in this Parish where he has rendered faithful and loyal service. He is to be congratulated, however, on having a charge of his own and his many friends in Christ Church extend to him their best wishes for a successful work in his new field and pray that God may bless him in this and all his future ministry.

The Rector has invited the Rev. Harry S. Ruth, a senior student at the Philadelphia Divinity School, to assist him at Christ Church. Mr. Ruth is in Deacon's order, being a candidate for the Priesthood from the Diocese of Fon Du Lac. He has accepted the Rector's invitation and will remain until he is ordained to the Priesthood in June, when he will be required to return to his Diocese.

Mr. Ruth is very much interested in boys and young men and invites all young men in the Parish to join a Men's Class which meets in the Parish on Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock. The Boys' Brigade, which meets on Friday evenings in the Parish House is also under Mr. Ruth's charge. Mr. Paul Williams is doing excellent work drilling the Brigade, assisted by Mr. George Taylor.

All boys in this neighborhood are invited to meet in the Parish House on Friday evenings and join the Brigade.

The Dean of the Cathedral in Fresno, Cal., in sending an offering of \$100 to the Church Mission House, New York, gave this account of how it came into his hands: "A young nurse had been slipping quietly into the church on Sundays, when her duties did not prevent, for some months. As my entire congregation was, during that time, new to me I did not realize that she was a stranger in town. On Easter Monday she came to my house, told me of her appreciation of the Church's privileges, and asked if she might be permitted to make her Easter offering for missions. She seemed to get a great deal of happiness out of the writing of that check for \$100. Since then I have come to know her very well and to realize that this was but the natural manifestation of a consistently unselfish life."

Every soul on its way to eternity has its appointed times and seasons for good, which, if they be allowed to pass away, shall never return again—Keble.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

- 1st. Rental of Pews.
- 2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

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Kalendar for December

Dec. 7th—Second Sunday in Advent
Dec. 14th—Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 17, 19, 20—Ember Days.
Dec. 21st—Fourth Sunday in Advent (S. Thomas).
Dec. 25th—Christmas
Dec. 26th—S. Stephen's
Dec. 27th—S. John, Evangelist
Dec. 28th—Sunday after Christmas (Holy Innocents).

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second and Fourth Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Friday, 3.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Service on Thanksgiving Day

On Thanksgiving Day, Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7.30 A. M. At eleven o'clock will be held Morning Prayer and special Thanksgiving service, with sermon by the Rector. The usual offering will be received for the Episcopal Hospital. This worthy object should call forth a generous offering from all our people.

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BAPTISM

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. Amen.

Nov. 9, Samuel Newman Baxter, Jr.
Nov. 9, Edward Emile Wilcox
Nov. 9, Walter Herbert Wismer, Jr.

MARRIAGE

"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder."
Oct. 22, Per Pedersen Larsen Bjornsgaard and Ruth Henderson
Oct. 22, William A. Robinson and Wilhelmine B. Hoffman.

BURIALS

Looking for the general resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Oct. 13, Charlotte E. Hance
Oct. 21, William Parker
Nov. 6, Mary Martha Dahl

The Bazaar

There has never been given in this Parish a more successful Bazaar and supper than that held during the past month. There was a hearty co-operation on the part of a large number of the ladies in the Parish and their labors were lightened by a few faithful men who proved themselves something more than mere "ornamental appendages." To these many faithful women—and never have there been so many women co-operate in a Parish function than there were at this Bazaar—and to the men, who worked hard in the construction of the artistic booths and tables, the thanks and appreciation of the Parish are gratefully extended. A large percentage of the membership of the Parish were in attendance and thus there was afforded an opportunity for social intercourse among the members.

The delicious supper, bountifully served by an efficient corps of young ladies in costumes, called forth the favorable comments by all who attended. The Musicales, given on Wednesday evening, was one of the best entertainments ever held in the Parish. The audience expressed their appreciation by enjoining each number on the program and it is to be regretted that space of this article precludes personal comments and congratulations to be made. The orchestra composed of pupils from the Germantown Branch of the Philadelphia Musical Academy, added greatly to the evening.

Aside from the financial success of the Bazaar, which, when the full returns are made, will probably amount to \$600.00, these two evenings in the Parish House were thoroughly enjoyable in a social way and many expressed the wish that more frequent opportunities might be afforded the people of the Parish to meet together.

The receipts reported by the treasurer, Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, have been as follows to date:

"New Years Table"	\$ 55.57
"Grab Bag"	20.00
"Independence Day"	34.16
"Washington's Birthday"	74.52
"Labor Day"	75.50
"Christmas"	121.51
"Memorial Day"	8.95
"Supper and Entertainment"	160.42
"Incidentals"	1.62
"Donation"	15.00
Total	\$567.25

A meeting of all who assisted in the Bazaar is called for Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock in the Parish House. A full report will then be received from all sources and all bills are asked to be rendered. Every one interested in the Bazaar are asked to be present at this meeting.

MEN'S COMMUNION SERVICE

S. Andrews Day

Sunday, November 30th will be the anniversary of the martyrdom of S. Andrew—"one of the two which heard John speak and followed Him;" the one who having found the Messiah, did not keep the good news to himself but brought his brother to Christ.

Many of us are prone to forget that many are waiting for an invitation to "come and see," some for a word which will bring them back to good things they once enjoyed and others for encouragement to keep them steadfast. Generally this is due to carelessness on our part and not because we do not wish to share the benefits derived from our association with the Master.

On S. Andrew's Day the Brotherhood of S. Andrew will celebrate two events worthy of note; the 30th anniversary of its inauguration when its members may look back with pride upon many things accomplished and yet with sorrow upon other things left undone; but grater than this is the fact that upon this day, in every parish where a Chapter is organized, will be held a corporate Communion of its members.

If we were to stop here many would say "what is that to us" but we do not stop here. There are those who have never taken Communion; those who have not for years. To all men in these classes, we appeal for consideration of the importance of this

service at 7.30 A. M., November 30th. There are men who know others whom they could bring to this service if they asked them. Do so. There are men who know they should come themselves. Do so. One does not have to be a member of the Brotherhood to follow St. Andrew's principals. It is every Christian man's duty to look after his brother's welfare as he does his own.

It is reasonable to expect that at the least, twenty-five confirmed men of this Parish will read this article. If they pledged themselves to be present at this service would it be worth while? If each man also brought another man! what then? Would the Rector get a new spring of life? Would the work of the Parish revive? Would you feel that the day had been better because you had done something to make it better? Each one can answer the questions for himself. May each remember that other great question "Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

C. H. J.

Pew Rents

All pew rents and sittings fall due on December 1st. The Warden reports that payments of pew rents are, almost without exception, very prompt, for which he is most grateful to the people of Christ Church. If renters of pews and sittings will remit promptly at this time the Warden will be able to discharge a number of outstanding accounts which must be met at once.

Confirmation

The Bishop of the Diocese has notified the Rector that he expects to visit this Parish (D.V.) on the evening of Maundy Thursday to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector will, therefore, begin at an early date a course of Instructions on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. The Rector would like to have all persons contemplating confirmation give their names to him at once that he may provide them with literature that will prepare them to receive the instructions that are to follow. The Rector may be seen after any service or by appointment at the Rectory.

The Church Periodical Club

As our winter's work again looms up before us, we would like to bring to the notice of our parishioners the meaning and outcome of the Church Periodical club.

What does its name stand for? It is not a reading club; it is not a mere parochial work; it is not confined to church literature; what is it then?

It is an organization of the Episcopal Church, with its branches in each parish, doing as wide spread a work as the Woman's Auxiliary, and along the same missionary line; feeding the minds, as the former clothes the bodies and greater still is the work, when we realize that it keeps God's workers in the field in touch with all the onward movements of the day, both spiritual and temporal. It supplies reading matter for camps, for schools, for individuals, for the invalids, for the lone watchers through the long winter night of the Alaskan trapper. It sends out

Traveling Libraries, that find their way into places where such a thing has never been known, and these libraries make such beautiful memorials. Remember this when you would perpetuate the loving memory of one no longer here.

Would that you could have been at the corporate communion of the church in New York, Bishop Greer the celebrant, the chapel full to overflowing. Would that you could have been at the Conference of Librarians in New York, women from all over the United States addressed by such men as Bishop Tucker, of Japan, Mr. Newton, of Alaska, Bishop Biller, of S. Dakota, and may more that space will not permit mentioning, thrilling everyone present with the wonderful work the club is doing, the wonderful help it is to the missionary, and the enormous field yet to cover; and in your hands, good people of Christ Church, lies the power to spread the work.

There is not one person in this parish that cannot contribute something toward this splendid work; you can give a book now and then, you can send away one or two of your periodicals each week or month as the case may be, or you can subscribe for a ma-

gazine for someone if you prefer, and you can contribute some money toward the work we wish to carry on.

Christmas is coming and you are receiving your yearly subscriptions to all sorts of periodicals; can you not be generous with your much and give away that which you have enjoyed, and teach your children of the untold pleasure they can give to little people like themselves by passing on that which has given them pleasure.

L. L. J.

Christ Church Club

The first meeting of the year was held at the home of the Secretary in September. At this time the officers for the ensuing year were installed. They are as follows: Miss Mabel C. Robinson, President; Miss Esther R. Alexander, Vice President; Miss Olive G. Kirkland, Secretary; and Miss Olive M. Moore, Treasurer.

As with most of the other societies of the church, the time of the club has been taken up during the past two months with preparation for the supper and fair. At the October meeting which was held at the home of the Misses Alexander, arrangements were made for the flower table, which was the Memorial Day feature, and was assigned to our club.

O. G. K.

Christ Church Calendars for 1914

A large number of Christ Church Calendars for the new year, 1914, were sold at the late Bazaar. A photograph of the exterior of Christ Church appears at the head of the Calendar and the various seasons of the Church Year, together with the Holy Day, are marked by their appropriate colors. On the back of the Calendar will be found the Bible Lessons appointed to be read on each Sunday and Holy Day throughout the year.

There are a few more of these Calendars left and they may be purchased from the Sexton at thirty-cents each.

A "friend of the Parish" has presented a beautifully embroidered "fair linen" for the Chapel altar. It is of most exquisite design and workman-

ship and is especially prized as a "labor of love" by a lady over seventy-five years of age. Some people never grow weary in well doing.

The Sunday School

The Sunday School has now fairly settled down to the season's work with the attendance normal in the Primary and Intermediate departments, but far from satisfactory in the Junior department or Main School. This we think is largely owing to the loss of several teachers who by, their regular attendance and devotion to work, are sadly missed.

The Superintendent again asks for volunteers in this department.

The usual Christmas services in the Church will be held on the afternoon of December 28.

The entertainment in the Parish House on Tuesday, December 30.

A Social will be held on Wednesday evening, November 26. It is hoped that all the Teachers and scholars and many of the parents will make an effort to be present. This is the part of a Series of Socials to be given during the winter.

G. L. M.

ATTENTION!

Women's Auxiliary Meeting

All women in the Parish are invited to attend the opening meeting of the Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary) on Thursday morning, December 4th, at half past ten o'clock in the Parish House. The annual election of officers will be held at that time. Diocesan delegates will be appointed, the report of the treasurer will be received and work for the coming winter will be discussed. Will every woman in the Parish please consider this notice a personal invitation to unite with the Auxiliary in their Missionary work? It is hoped that there will be a large attendance at this first meeting on Thursday, December 4th, at half past ten o'clock.

The Mothers' Meeting

Our time and attention have been entirely taken up with work for the Bazaar since our first meeting in October. Beside the usual Tuesday after-

noons we have met in the Parish House on Friday afternoons. On one Friday we spent the entire day sewing for the fair having our lunch served at one o'clock.

The Labor Day Booth was in charge of the Women's Sunday Afternoon Bible Class and The Mother's Meeting. The members were most faithful and conscientious in devoting their time and money to the work for the booth. One member of the Bible Class who could not come to the meetings devoted her spare moments to making jelly and preserves. The money from the sale of these amounting to five dollars was added to the amount received in the booth. Many of the women worked at home besides the sewing done at the Church. Two members made thirty-three aprons, two others made shoe bags, iron holders and fancy aprons at home. Another made six childrens petticoats, prettily brie stitched. Several members gave aprons and useful and fancy articles to be sold. Still others gave sums of money for the purchase of materials.

The Bible Class contributed five dollars, the Mother's Meeting ten dollars, several friends also helped us with gifts of money for materials. One kind friend solicited donations from various merchants.

All of this enabled us to realize from the sale at our booth the gratifying sum of seventy-five dollars.

Now that the fair is over, and our kind friends have shown such generous appreciation of our work, we hope they will continue to give us orders for rugs and all other useful articles for the household.

A. M. M.

Choir Notes

The choir spent a very enjoyable evening on November 13th in the Parish House in one of the old time socials participating in games, songs and dancing, and last but not least a Dutch Supper, for which we passed a vote of thanks to our committee so ably serving us with good things. We will try and have others of different nature throughout the winter months and hope for the same success. The choir

is gradually filling up all the vacant places, but we are still short on the men. The choirmaster extends a most cordial invitation to any, who would like to connect themselves with our choir especially Tenors or Basses.

The names of the active members of the choir are given below.

Miss Emily Collins—Organist

Mr. Edward Miles—Choirmaster

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Miss Florence Ziegler, solo

Miss Frieda Müller

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Miss Alice Burnley, solo

Miss E. Barrett

Miss N. Elvidge

Mrs. K. Anderson

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Tenors

Dr. J. C. Courtney, solo

Mr. J. Lipp

Mr. G. Corbett

Bass

Mr. W. Lightcap, Solo

Mr. R. Blundell

Mr. Sheldon Pottor

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Christmas Communion

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there, as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means meeting with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! Wise men ever bring gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offerings of their earthly substance, offerings of worship and adoration, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones, offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church, and offerings of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who was given to us to be our Pattern and our Guide.

That every communicant may kneel before Him on the day of His Nativity and offer unto Him "their hearts deepest devotions." Holy Communion will

be celebrated in this Church at 6.30, 7.30 and at 11.00 o'clock. Every one, who is physically able, will want to come to, at least, one of these Services. The happiest Christmas is the one that is filled with Christ and His love.

"Love"—the Spirit of Christmas

What else should be in our thoughts at this most holy time, except the love of Christ. Of all the news that could be brought to us what so good as this, that unto us was born, as at this time, "a Saviour which is Christ the Lord?" If the news came that all the world was ours, all the wealth, all the money, all the precious things in it, which would be worth most to our real and lasting happiness, that we had all the world and all that was in it, or that we had a Saviour, who can and will give to all, who come to Him, that which cannot fade or pass away, even life eternal! God's love toward man, man's love toward God—this is the Christmas message Love, Love, Love! "God so loved the that He gave His only begotten Son." "If God so loved us, we ought to love one another."

If this Spirit of Christmas were to prevail, the barbarous methods of competitive trade, the soulless administration of trusts and the evils of the department store bargain counters, etc., would have to give way to the spirit of "live and let live."

If this Spirit of Christmas were to prevail, all the wrongs of humanity would be done away with; if all men could at all times be possessed of the true Christmas spirit, greed and lust and envy find no room to dwell where love abides.

If this Spirit of Christians were to prevail, the rich would be able to put themselves in the place of the humble poor, and do them justice and help them, and the poor would not envy and try to rob those who are possessed of greater blessings and greater responsibilities.

Peace on Earth

For any true peace on earth there must be peace with God. God has said it universally, 'There shall be no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.' How can there be peace in the soul so long as a man is not reconciled to his Maker?

Strange word—'Peace with God! Then, if there is now peace, there has been war. War with God! War of a worm with Omnipotence! Yet so it was and so it is, and so it would be for ever, if the Dayspring had not come and laid his hand upon us, both. He, and He only, is 'Peace.' And he who has Him has peace.

People say, 'Make your peace with God.' Make your peace with God! You can never make your peace with God. But accept Christ, and you accept Peace. The Gospel is the treaty; the angel's song, echoed now, was its herald; that light upon the hills was its flag of truce; the love of the Father drew the treaty; the blood of Christ sealed the treaty, and the contracting parties are an eternal God of truth and every rebel man who lays down his arms, and puts his hand to the contract and professes 'Jesus only.'

Made by that peace with God—within it, and a part of it, is the peace of the conscience. The language of that conscience is, "I believe—I feel—I know that I am forgiven. I am simply nothing but a poor, poor sinner, forgiven; but whatever happens to me now, my affairs stand right with God." He has said it, and I take it, "There is now no condemnation to them who

are in Christ Jesus;" and there, by the infinite grace of God, I have placed myself, and I now am.

People talk of 'Christmas pleasures! What are they all to that sense of safety, that deep, inward peace? Can there be 'pleasure' if there is no peace? Could the Israelites sit down to the Paschal banquet, with the angel of death in the air, and no blood upon the door? Can we enjoy life if we are not ready to 'meet with God,' who may come in upon the Christmas revel?

Let us at this Christmas-tide seek to have peace with our own conscience—the peace of a witness within that we are in Christ—that we love Christ—that we would not willingly do anything to grieve Christ; that our own heart knows, in our own poor way, our first wish, our great end in life, is to please and serve and glorify Christ.

Oh that this 'peace' may be God's own Christmas gift—the peace of a Christ born in the low places of your own poor, mean, wicked heart; a Christ known—a Christ consciously your own—a Christ received into our hearts in Communion with Him at His altar on Christmas Day—a Christ reflected in a life of self-sacrificing forgiveness and love to everyone. Then shall this Christmas bring to us the most precious of all gifts, "the peace of God, that passeth all understanding."

—Newton

"Happy New Year"

As I express these familiar words, used many times before, I feel that it carries with it each year a larger thought. Each New Year we stand face to face with an evidence of "the greatness of time," as expressed by this turning point in its ever onward march—an added New Year.

Each New Year's Day brings its plans and desires, and hopes and resolutions for the future. Are not, then, all these expectations and purposes intensified at such a time as this? Do they not look forward beyond a single year? Are they not more far-reaching, embracing even the plans for all the rest of one's earthly course?

It is the Christian mind that sees in all things natural the pictures or types

of greater spiritual truths. Is not this "turning point in time" a symbol of that more important "turning point" in each human life when time merges into eternity, when we shall stand face to face with its far greater greatness and importance? This thought gives Christian character to our greeting, and fuller meaning to its ever familiar words. And it is my wish for all that the coming year may be to each of you full of happiness, and that those of you who have enjoyed rich religious experiences in the past, may find them richer by far in the days to come; that those of you, who have allowed the influences of your surroundings to cause forgetfulness or neglect of your Christian privileges may bring back again the joy that Christian zeal, and devotion and faithfulness secure; that those of you who still halt "between two opinions" may no longer delay the choice that brings you to the acknowledgement of Him as your Master "who died and gave Himself for you." May this new year, which brings us a little nearer to the end of life's journey, bring each one of us in this Parish nearer and closer to God—in His church, in His worship, in His loving service to others.

Thus the days and the years will bring the truest happiness of life, a greater happiness still when life's burdens are exchanged for the never-fading crown of victory.

Infant Baptism

How often has the answer been given to the clergyman who urges the baptism of the infant in a household: "I would prefer to wait and let the child choose for himself." Such an answer shows a thorough misunderstanding of the purpose of baptism.

If you consider religious faith only a matter of opinion, and each Christian congregation as standing for certain opinions regarding certain doctrines, and baptism as assenting to these particular ideas, then it might be well for the child to wait—the longer the better.

Baptism, however, rests on an entirely different foundation. Religion deals with character, not with doc-

trinal opinions. And character must be trained. "Train up the child in a way he should go." Baptism begins that training in the most natural and practical way. It admits the child into the Kingdom of God. It charges parents and sponsors with the duty of training him in Christian ways. It throws around him the influence of the Church. The child becomes "a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the Kingdom of Heaven," and bids him guard well this inheritance. Among many things which baptism represents, it emphasizes the training of character.

You would never say that you prefer to wait and let the child choose his character. That is your duty.

We do not allow children to choose anything. They have no judgment. We choose and they obey. The mother watches the physical development of her babe with a ceaseless anxiety, and does what she thinks is best for the child in food and dress and exercise. The day never comes in the life of a child when his physical needs are left to his choice.

The mind unfolds. We watch its daily development. We plan for its progress. In the nursery, in the kindergarten, in the school, the best of talent trains the child, week after week, year after year. Sometimes the child pleads for his own wishes, and begs to stay at home. But the wise judgment of the parent prevails. No child ever chooses his teacher, or the books he shall study. What parent would let the child grow up in ignorance because "I prefer to wait and let the child choose for himself!"

We even choose a child's playmates, knowing the good and bad influence of companionship. In the home every safeguard is thrown around the child, lest he be led into temptation.

We do not even let the child choose its "native country." As he grows up we teach him patriotism; we instill loyalty. And when the boy is of age, he is proud to cast his first ballot as an "American citizen." How became he a citizen? He never had any other thought. He was trained to love our form of government.

Why should it be any different in regard to his religious life—his Christian character? As the child is born an American citizen, why should we not choose also to give him birth into Christian patriotism, and instill loyalty to Christ, so that when the child becomes of age he will never have had any other wish or desire, save one of faithfulness.

Choose what? A child chooses nothing—the parent does the choosing and the training. And the jewel of character, the sparkling gem we call the soul, the precious life that is eternal, that is tabernacled in this house of flesh, should never be left to drift in uncertainty, to be aimless in its purposes, to be unsettled in its principles, during all those early years in which the parent is fitting the child to go out into the world with credit to himself and to the family name. His character more than all else will produce the credit; and character depends upon religious training.

No, it is not better to wait. Have your child baptized, and when you have given him as faithful Christian training as you have mental and physical, he will never regret your choice.

The Jewish Church represented in the ancient world the life of a nation under the government of Almighty God.

Under the laws of that nation the severest penalties were inflicted on any father and mother who neglected the circumcision of the babe on the eighth day after its birth. Circumcision was the rite by which the child was admitted into the Church, and all its duties and its privileges. No child of a Jew was ever allowed to wait and choose his religion. He was trained in the Church from infancy.

Christ came to fulfill the law and the prophets. He came to enlarge the Church, not narrow it; and baptism in the Christian Church exactly corresponds with circumcision in the Jewish Church. If the babe by God's appointment could belong to the one, he could belong also to the larger Church.

When you say that there is nothing in the New Testament that commands it, you forget that it is not necessary

to give special instructions about that which had always been the custom.

On the other hand it would have been necessary to have given very positive instructions not to baptise babies, if there was to be any change in this respect. Do you suppose that the Jews would have given up such a treasured custom without a word of dissent or complaint? When the question of not circumcising the Gentiles arose, the contention was so great that it demanded a general Council of the whole Church to settle the matter. Although no direct command may be given, yet we find the custom has prevailed in every century. Is it not reasonable to conclude that when you find a custom existing many centuries before Christ, and during all the centuries since, that it naturally existed during the one century in which Christ lived on earth, and that it must have had His sanction? And can you give one reason why the religious training of a child should have been so necessary and so valuable before Christ came, and become of so little use or consequence under the light of Christianity?

This idea of "choosing for himself" is against reason and against history. This idea has grown up only because persons in this age of sectarianism have formed mistaken ideas of the Church and its purpose. As a consequence, we let the child's character suffer, and his future also.

Some object to infant baptism, because it is not expressly commanded in Scripture. Should they not then be consistent, and refuse to admit females to the Holy Communion? Also they should decline to keep holy the first day of the week instead of the seventh. We find no express command for either. But as in the old dispensation, so in the new, children and infants are admitted, and have always been admitted to this spiritual birth.

But, it is both taken for granted and commanded, in the New Testament, that ALL persons are to be baptized; and unless you can produce a definite command in Holy Writ excluding infants from the Rite, it must be admit-

ted that they are rightly made partakers of it.

1. The Redeemer, after having shown His good will toward children (St. Mark 9:42; St. Mark 10:14), gave the command to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them, etc. (St. Matthew 28:19).

2. In the first Christian sermon, St. Peter says, "Repent and be baptized, etc., etc., for the promise is to you and to your children." (Acts 2:38, 39).

3. There is record of the baptism of three entire households. (Acts 16:15; Acts 16:33; I Cor. 1:16).

4. The two epistles addressed to baptized persons, children are exhorted as well as adults. (Ephesians 6:1; Colossians 3:30).

Now, considering the consistent history and training of God's Covenant People for 1500 years and more previous, and also the subsequent consistent and universal custom under the Christian Covenant for 1500 years and more, it is for those who deny infant baptism to show:

1. That our Lord meant to exclude children. 2. That Peter meant to exclude children. 3. That there were no children in the three households. 4. That the children addressed as baptized, were in reality, not baptized. This of course cannot be done.

Three Gates

If you are tempted to reveal
A tale some one to you has told
About another, make it pass,
Before you speak, three gates of gold.

Three narrow gates—First, "Is it true?"
Then, "Is it needful?" In your mind
Give thoughtful answer. And the next
Is last and narrowest—"Is it kind?"

And if to reach your lips at last
It passes through these gate-ways three.
Then you may tell the truth, nor fear
What the result of speech may be.

These lines quoted from an exchange embody one of the truths which should come into our hearts and minds from the recognition of the fact that Christmas Day commemorates our allegiance to a King whose rule is one of peace and love and good will to all men.

Three Holy Days after Christmas

Three days following Christmas are dedicated to three sacred events: First, on December 26th, is commemorated The Martyrdom of St. Stephen. This day has been commemorated since the fourth century. In the Greek Church the Festival is a day later than it is in ours. In addition to the reasons given above for its position in the Calendar, it has been said that 'Christ was born on earth in order that Stephen might be born in heaven.' Thus this, the anniversary of his martyrdom, is also, in a higher sense, the anniversary of his birth.

On December 27th occurs The Feast of S. John the Evangelist. Then we remember the fisherman John, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the brother of James, the partner in earthly business of Simon and Andrew; and we see what grace made him. We remember how he was called and obeyed the call; how he abode with Christ after the tenth hour on that memorable day; how he became a fisher of men; how he was styled a son of thunder; how he was admitted to be the beloved disciple; how he leaned on that bosom; how he stood by the cross; how he made it his business to house the Virgin-mother; how he grew and expanded and was perfected, waxed riper, and more and more reflected the image of his Master, received and diffused light; how he suffered for the truth; had heaven opened to him at Patmos, and tarried to such an old age that men thought he would live on till Christ came, all the time doing his Lord's work, ordering the Church after his Lord's mind, teaching, reclaiming, ruling, refuting error, declaring the truth by word and writing to the end.

On December 28th is celebrated the Martyrdom of the Innocents, which was anciently commemorated at the Epiphany; the date of its first observance as a separate festival is not known. The Innocents have always been regarded by the Church as martyrs, they having, though unwittingly, shed their blood for Christ. (See St. Matt. 2:16-17.)

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

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All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

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Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
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Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Friday, 3.00 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Sunday School Teachers Meeting—Second Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Kalendar for January

Jan. 1st—Circumcision

Jan. 4th—Second Sunday after Christmas.

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Services on Christmas Day

The Services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30. Morning Prayer (shortened form)

Holy Communion and Sermon 11.00.

The offering at all services on Christmas will be for the benefit of the Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Sunday School Christmas Service

The Sunday School Christmas Service will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 28th, (Holy Innocents Day) at half past three o'clock. The service will largely consist of Christmas hymns and carols sung by the School. Addresses will be delivered by the Rev. H. S. Ruth and Mr. George T. Morgan.

All members of the Congregation, and especially the parents and friends of the scholars of the School are cordially invited to this service.

Sunday School Christmas Entertainment

The Christmas Entertainment of the Main and Intermediate Schools will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday evening, December 30th, 7.45 o'clock. A beautiful Christmas Cantata entitled "Santa's Santa-Plane" in which about twenty-five members of the Sunday School will take part, is being prepared under the direction of a committee of which Miss Dorothy Woodruffe is chairman. Of course our old friend Kris Kringle will be on hand to distribute Christmas gifts to his many friends in Christ Church Sunday School.

The Primary Department will hold its Christmas Entertainment on the afternoon of the same day at three o'clock. A part of the same Christmas Cantata will be given also on this occasion and old Santa will be on hand in his "Santa-Plane." The parents of the children are cordially invited to both of these entertainments.

Midnight Service

The usual solemn midnight service will be held on New Year's Eve commencing at 11.00 o'clock. At midnight the Chimes will peal forth to greet the New Year. The church will be open all evening for prayer and meditation.

Aged and Infirm Clergy

The offering on Christmas Day will be for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund. No object is nearer to the hearts of the members of this Parish than this one. Our people have always given to it most willingly and

generously. It appeals to the heart of every loyal Churchman. That any old and infirm minister of the Church should be turned out to suffer and die in poverty and want, is too cruel and horrible a crime to contemplate. And yet there are such cases known today. It is the earnest endeavor of the trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund to gather from the members of the Church a sufficient sum of money, the interest of which may be used toward pensioning the superannuated Clergy of the Church.

It is to this worthy cause that the offering on Christmas Day will be devoted. It is hoped that the offering on next Christmas will be fully equal to the offerings of previous years and that, if any are not able to be present at the services on Christmas Day, they will remember to send their offering to the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, 117 W. Upsal Street, or place it on the plate at some subsequent service.

Memorial Flowers in January

Flowers on the Altar during the month of January will be in loving memory of the following persons:
 Jan. 10th—John Wetherill Baremore
 Jan. 11th—Martha Connor
 Jan. 17th—Almyrah Johnstone
 Jan. 19th—Miriam Fisk Humphrey
 Jan. 25th—Elizabeth H. Pugh
 Jan. 26th—Charles E. Read

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity: We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Music

The music on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Processional Hymn, 56—"Christians, Awake! Salute the Happy Morn!"
 Venite E. Miles
 Te Deum—Festival E. Buck
 Jubilate—Festival G. M. Garrett
 Introit, Hymn 50—"Come Hither, Ye Faithful, Triumphantly Sing!"
 Kyrie Eyre

Gloria Tibi Eyre
 Office Hymn 53—"Shout the Glad Tidings, Exultingly Sing!"
 Offertory Anthem—"Sing! O, Heavens! Tours
 Sursum Corda Eyre
 Sanctus Eyre
 Benedictus Eyre
 Retrocessional Hymn 59—"It came upon the Midnight Clear"

The Music will be repeated on Sunday morning, December 28th.

The Sunday School Christmas Service will be held in the church on Sunday afternoon (Holy Innocents Day) at half past three o'clock. The following carols will be sung by the members of the Sunday School.

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

"O! Come, All Ye Faithful"

"While Shepherds watched their flocks night"

"O! Little Town of Bethlehem"

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

"Come with us, O! Blessed Jesus!"

The Church Choir will assist the School in the music.

Christmas Greens

The Church will be decorated, as usual on Christmas with laurel and evergreen. The expense of these Christmas decorations are met by the free-will offerings of the members of the congregation. The work is cheerfully performed by the young men of the Parish.

Persons who wish to contribute toward the expense of these "greens" are invited to give or send their contributions to Mr. Richard H. Morris, Wayne Ave. and Horter Streets.

The Altar Guild will be in charge of the Christmas decorations of the Chapel and Main Altars. Persons who wish to contribute for that purpose may send their offering to Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, President of the Guild.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

The small chapter of the Brotherhood in Christ Church was very much encouraged by the number of men who attended the Men's Corporate Communion on the morning of St. Andrew's Day, November 30th. A

great deal of personal work was done to bring men to this service, and aided by the splendid article in the December "Chimes," a great measure of success attended our efforts.

S. V. W.

On November 3, entered into life, Mary Martha Dahl, one of the most valued members of Christ Church Parish. Interested in many departments of Church work, notably the Sunday School, Girls' Friendly Society and the Daughters of the King, her influence was felt in every direction. She was an indefatigable worker, in a most quiet and unostentatious manner. Always on the alert for the best interests of the Church and her neighbors—she seemed to know by instinct of cases of illness, babies to be baptized and children to be confirmed. Probably more than any other one person she kept the Rector informed of cases where his ministrations were needed. Words cannot express how deeply she will be missed, but a life which has been spent so prominently in the service of others must leave behind it a great influence for good, which, keeping her example in sight, will lead those who are left behind to realize more fully the opportunities which God has given them, and to follow in the footsteps of this loyal, devoted servant of Christ who has gone to be with Jesus, which is far better.

H. A.

Christ Church Kalendar for 1914

Kalendars for 1914, with a cut of the exterior of Christ Church and Parish House, and also marking in appropriate colors the Church's Seasons and Holy Days may be purchased from the Verger at thirty cents apiece.

These Kalendars are suitable for Christmas and New Years presents.

Confirmation

The Rector is receiving the names of persons who are considering being confirmed. He will soon begin a course of Instructions on Confirmation and the Church and desires that all persons who are con-

templating confirmation shall give their names to him at once that he may provide them with suitable literature that will prepare them on the subject. The Rector may be seen after any service or by appointment at the Rectory. The lectures will begin after the Holidays and will be announced in the next issue of the "Chimes."

The Mothers Meeting

Now that the Bazaar is only a memory, and the strain and stress of preparation is over, we have settled to a more normal existence; but, are still busy filling orders for rugs, aprons, iron holders and dish towels.

Two of our former members who were not with us last year have returned. We were delighted to have Mrs. Crowther and Mrs. Brown with us again. Our meetings open with a hymn and a short service, then comes sewing of some kind with pleasant talk, followed by tea and buns. On the first Tuesday in the month we have an extra feast of ice cream, cake and coffee.

Plans are under way for the Annual dinner in January, of which we shall have something to say in the next issue.

The Mothers Meeting wishes all the members of the "Chimes" A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.
 A. M. M.

Young Men! Attention!

Young men why not be a help to one another by attending the Men's class on Sunday mornings at 10.00 o'clock in the Parish House? The Curate is the leader. There is lots of room for a great many more. All young men invited to join the class. Every Sunday morning in the Parish House at ten o'clock.

H. L. R.

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

The first meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church was held Thursday morning, Dec. 4th, at 10.30 o'clock in the Parish House.

Mr. Arndt in the Chair.

There were ten women present, after

the opening exercises there was the annual election of officers, President, Miss S. W. Johnson; 1st Vice President, Mrs. J. I. Morrison; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. George Morgan; Secretary, Mrs. Topliff Johnson; Treasurer, Mrs. H. H. Marot.

The Rector then appointed the following women to serve on the diocesan committees.

Freedman's Committee (1st Monday in the month), Mrs. George Morgan, Chairman, Mrs. C. H. Arndt, Mrs. Keith R. Rodney.

Domestic Committee (2nd Monday in the month), Mrs. Charles Heyer, chairman, Mrs. J. M. Ritter, Mrs. H. L. Reid.

Foreign Committee (3rd Monday in the month), Mrs. J. I. Morrison, chairman, Mrs. F. M. Brigham, Mrs. Lawrence Simcox.

Indian Hope Committee, (4th Monday in the month), Mrs. Topliff Johnson, chairman, Mrs. R. T. Mogridge, Mrs. J. S. Laurence.

Diocesan Committee, Miss Lucy Fell, Chairman; Mrs. W. G. Rowley.

The second Thursday in each month was selected for our regular meetings, the next one will be held on Thursday January 8th, at 1030 o'clock and it is earnestly hoped that each woman in the Parish will make it her conscientious duty to be present as the work to be selected for the coming Lenten season must be decided upon.

L. J. J.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary met in the Parish House, Friday, December 5th.

It was decided at this meeting that it would be most advisable to adjourn until January the 9th, when it will be decided as to the work we shall take up for the Lenten season.

All children in the Parish are cordially invited to attend this meeting, Friday, January the 9th at 4 o'clock.

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The Rector's Notes

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Epiphany

This season of the Church's year, through which we are now passing, is called "Epiphany." It follows immediately after, and is indeed an extension of the Christmas Season and continues up to Septuagesima Sunday. The festival of the Epiphany must be deemed of very high importance by the believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life,—the visit of the three wise men to worship "the new born King,"—it, also, asserts one of the most fundamental and vital features of Christianity: the great distinction, in fact, between Christianity and Judaism. The Jewish religion was the religion of a race. Was a merely national religion like this a full unavailing of the mind of a common Father of the human race? Was His interest and love to be confined to one people, alone? Was there to be no place in His heart for more races, who lay east and west and north and south of the favored region? Was the Son of God come to reveal the Father's love to and to save one set of people only, or was He come to manifest His love to and to save all people, everywhere? The event set forth is the festival of the Epiphany and the missionary teaching of this Epiphany season is sufficient

answer to that question. The Church's mission is to all the world, to every people, to every clime. The Epiphany season is the great missionary season of the Church. Every season, of course, should be a "missionary season," but at Epiphany special emphasis is laid on this teaching; indeed, that is what the word "Epiphany" means,— "manifestation," "shining out." The star shone out and led the Gentiles to the Child of Bethlehem and they "fell down and worshipped Him." And so we pray, in the collect for missions, "O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the whole earth and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy Kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Practical Thoughts for Epiphany

The Epiphany Season should engage the thoughts of all good Churchmen in the extension of the Kingdom of God on earth. Everyone who follows Christ's command wants to assist in

this work. That every one may have some share in giving to the missionary work of the church, "duplex" envelopes have been introduced into this Parish. By this means every parishioner is afforded an opportunity to give—according to his or her means—a weekly offering both to the parish and to missions.

Eight reasons for the weekly support of missions:

1. **It is Scriptural.** "Bring an offering and come into his courts" (Ps. 96: 8). "Worship the Lord with thy substance and with the first fruits of all thine increase" (Prov. 3:8). Thus was the duty of giving organically connected with the idea of worship in the Old Testament; and it is not to the priest or the vestry that our offerings are to be given, but to God. "Bring me the whole tithe into the storehouse that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith Jehovah of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Mal. 3:9, 10). S. Paul, carrying on this divine message, says: "Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper." (1 Cor. 16:2.)

2. **It is Educational.** If we give thus systematically and frequently, in the light of the assurance that "God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and truth," this scriptural method becomes to us in very deed the spiritual method, for one always gets more out of a service to which he contributes something. If one could only afford to give a penny a week, it would be better to give that every week than to give it all at one time once a year. Habits are tremendously important things. A habit can scarcely be formed by doing a thing once a year, or once a quarter. But a thing done every week may come to be a second nature. It ought to be impossible for any Christian ever to attend a service in God's house without thinking devoutly and prayerfully of the whole Kingdom of God in the world, of which his particular parish is

only one among a vast multitude of vitally related parts. The weekly offering which goes toward the extension of that whole kingdom is therefore educational in that it necessarily encourages such thought and prayer.

3. **It is Equitable.** The Church has discovered that nothing less than a weekly offering is adequate to the support of the particular church in which one worships. Now the divine command is not only that we should love our neighbor as ourselves but that we should "love one another even as I have loved you." The weekly offering which is merely local or parochial is not in harmony with the idea of Christ. Such an offering fulfills only a part of His plan. If confined to that it denies the great multitude to whom our Lord's message has never yet been given the privilege we ourselves enjoy. Is not the evangelization of the world as important as the support of our particular local church? Shall we say to the heathen, "let the dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their master's table? Inasmuch as we do it to the least of His creatures we do it to the Master Himself."

4. **It Promotes Prayer for Missions.** There are three outstanding objects of prayer in connection with missions.

1. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. 2. That the Lord of the harvest will throw forth the needed laborers. 3. Prayer for the laborers after they have been sent. When analyzed, it will be seen that the answer to these prayers involves among many other things the right conception of Christian stewardship, the correct interpretation of the great commission to go to the whole world and preach the Gospel, and the compassion of Christ for His lost sheep. Thousands of laborers are needed. The command to "pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers" is generally ignored, or put into a subordinate place. We are reminded by the weekly envelope of this great need of prayer for missions. With prayer comes more giving, for no one can pray for workers without wanting also to send them out.

5. **It Enlists Larger Numbers.** Only a fraction of our parishioners are at present supporting in any serious way the nations of the earth. This explains the utter inadequacy of the Church's missionary efforts. It also means that the Church as a whole has not yet been led to adopt Christ's purpose to save the world. Every member of a parish from the richest to the poorest, should be given an opportunity to support God's plan in God's way. It is not that God needs money. The silver and gold are His already, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. He could fill all missionary treasuries with streams of gold should He so will. But He cannot reproduce His character in that way. God is love, and He so loved the world that He gave. His giving was the necessity of His love. Our giving is the measure of our love. We ought to lay down our lives for the brethren because He laid down His life for us. "But whoso hath this world's goods and beholdeth his brother in need, and shuteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in Him?" This is the strongest possible way of saying that God's love cannot exist in the heart that refuses the appeal of other's needs. Giving is a grace whose healthy development depends on exercise. Selfishness and covetousness are basic tendencies of human nature, and need the antidote of love, with the cultural grace of giving. Love withers and fades unless it is expressed. Giving is its normal expression. We serve God in serving our fellow-men. Our love to them is the measure and proof of our love to Him. Logically, therefore, the number of systematic subscribers to missions in any congregation should be larger than the list of communicants, or adult attendants upon the services, for children need this grace developed as well as older people. The weekly envelope helps materially to prevent the child from growing up without being taught how to give; it helps toward the abandonment of the plan of having the head of the family do all the giving for the family. Why should he, any more than he should pray, or eat, for the whole family?

The generous habit, like all other habits, is learned most easily in early life. Every child can be taught by this system to give in childhood, and so to overcome his natural tendency to selfishness.

6. **It Makes it Easier to Give More.** The weekly subscription basis, with numbered and dated envelopes, has unquestionably proved to be the best method of church finance. Why then should we adopt an inferior method for dealing with the missionary finances, by means of which the world is to be evangelized? It is difficult to understand how the Church could ever have fallen into so inadequate a method as an annual collection, or even quarterly collections, for the spread of Christ's Kingdom. The only explanation seems to be that the Church regarded this as a subordinate issue, and not its primary business. We have seen that weekly giving is the divine principle for financing the Kingdom. It will come more readily where the weekly worship of God with one's offering is being practiced. Experience shows maximum in any other way. Considering the needs of our fellow-men, no congregation should be satisfied with anything less than its maximum. In every case where the weekly system of missionary offerings has been properly introduced, the aggregate amount contributed has been greatly increased. It has frequently been found that congregations give as much per week as they were previously giving per month. Very few are too poor to afford ten cents a week to missions. They can be led to give this much gladly if the weekly missionary offering is in operation. Small as this amount is, it would furnish sufficient funds for the whole missionary work of the Church if the entire membership could be enlisted. It is as easy to secure ten cents a week from the ordinary parishioner as to secure \$1.00 in an annual collection, and the weekly amount aggregates \$5.00 in a year.

7. **It Provides Continuous Support Without Borrowing.** Among other things the Church is a gigantic busi-

ness enterprise. Its affairs should be managed at least as carefully and skillfully as any private business. The necessary expenses of this enterprise go on week after week. Unless support is paid in week by week, money has to be borrowed, and interest paid upon it, to keep the vast machinery in motion. Thousands of dollars are wasted every year in this way that would go into the work of extending the Kingdom if the weekly offerings were generally adopted.

8. **It Increases Other Offerings.** This may seem strange to "the natural man," but it is nevertheless true. And it is in absolute harmony with the operation of spiritual law. Giving, as already pointed out, is a grace to be developed by exercise, just like love, or faith, or any other grace. Nothing else develops this grace so rapidly and effectively as the unselfish spirit of missions. When the grace of giving is once developed, it overflows in every direction. This is the explanation of the phenomenon that live missionary churches are always the best in meeting expenses of the Parish and in the support of every worthy Christian enterprise.

The following words were addressed by a Rector of a certain Parish to his people. They are pertinent to every Parish.

"It will need some more steam or a new propeller to make headway this year. It is for the parishioners to furnish the power, every one pushing up to the limit of his capacity if the propeller is going to show a good run for the year.

What am I as Rector asking of you?

1st, that you take a pleasure in your worship. Everyone contributing his presence and his voice in the service of the Church. Your Rector may plan the form of service; you must give the service its spirit.

2nd, that we make a business of our giving. That we divide the expense of running the parish among ourselves according to our ability, taking our share cheerfully and generously; and that as we give of our own services we contribute regularly and systematically to helping others to have that which we enjoy.

3rd, that we are not only generous in purse and hearty in person, but that we are helpful in service; not being content until we do something as our labor of love.

Now I realize that this program does not fit in with some of your ideas of pleasure and profit, but as your Rector I will vouch for the lasting pleasure and the permanent profit if you have faith enough to make the required investment.

I do not believe that Almighty God is interested in any other kind of religion than that which I have indicated and if He isn't why waste your time in putting up any other kind?

Let us all pull together and every man put his full weight on the oar and see how exhilarating it is to make good progress. Let every man, woman and child put his full weight on the oar. It is the only kind of crew in which there is any pleasure.

A Model Parishioner

The following letter was lately received from a faithful communicant of this Parish, who never tires of doing good. How fortunate any parish is to have such souls in it!

The Reverend Chas. Henry Arndt:
My dear Rector:

The very rainy Sundays are most unpleasant to those who wish to go to Church and have a long distance to walk, as I have.

The "first Sunday in the month" a rainy one, must be hard on that fund for the "Poor of the Parish." Please let me send what I should have been glad to have placed on the plate yesterday. No thanks please.

Affectionately,

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Friday, 3.00 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Sunday School Teachers Meeting—Second Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

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2nd. The Envelope System.

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Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Attendance at Christmas Services

The attendance at the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Christmas Day was 230 persons. This number is a little over one third of the Communicant list of the Parish. There were many at the eleven o'clock service on Christmas Day, who did not, we regret to say, remain to the Communion. The number of Christmas Communions, are, however, steadily increasing each year and it is hoped that the day is not far distant when all will be in touch with the Church's spirit of Christmas and will share in the world wide question and universal privilege of kneeling at the altar on Christmas Day.

Services on First Sunday in Lent

On the first Sunday of each month Morning Prayer is held in the Church at half past nine o'clock. This service is attended by the Sunday School in a body and is especially intended to familiarize the Scholars of the Sunday School and others with the use of the Prayer Book. After this service in the Church the School adjourns to the Parish House at ten o'clock for the regular lesson instruction. The eleven o'clock service in the Church, on the first Sunday in the month, consists only of the Celebration of the Holy Communion, with sermon.

Confirmation Classes

The first meeting of the Confirmation Classes will be held in the Parish House, on Friday, February 6th. The class for minors will be held at four o'clock in the afternoon and for adults at eight o'clock in the evening. All persons, who are contemplating Confirmation, are requested to give their names to the Rector at once and to meet with one of the above mentioned classes on Friday, February 6th.

The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese expects to visit this Parish during the coming Lent.

The Rector will be pleased to meet any one who wishes to talk to him on the subject of confirmation after Church services or by appointment.

The schedule of Lenten services, together with the subjects of addresses, and names of special preachers will appear in the next issue of the "Chimes." Ash Wednesday occurs on Feb. 25th. Before the next issue of the "Chimes," the Septuagesima season, which has been termed the "penumbra of Lent," will have begun. Septuagesima Sunday falls on March 8th.

The Woman's Auxiliary

The first Thursday in January, being New Years day, the meeting for this month was held on the second Thursday instead of the first Thursday as heretofore. The meeting made up in interest and enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers. Those of us who were privileged to hear Mr. Longshore's fine address, felt the great regret that only ten women of Christ Church were there to enjoy this very interesting and inspiring talk on the Church's work among the immigrants entering the port of Philadelphia. We were told that the six lines of steamers entering this port brought seventy-five thousand foreigners to our city last year.

Mr. Longshore has charge of the work among the English speaking people, brought here by the vessels. Especially, he is the friend and helper to all who are members of the Church of England. As he has been carrying on this work for the past twenty-six years, he has a rich fund of information to impart in incidents and experiences both touching and pathetic.

After giving Mr. Longshore a vote of thanks for his intensely interesting address, we heard reports from several

Sunday School

The attendance during the past year while not all that could be desired, has been fairly good and leads the officers of the School to hope for better things in the year now starting.

The Honor Roll of those having a perfect record for the entire 52 Sundays is as follows:—

Mr. Edw. R. Miles
Frederick H. Belfield
Elizabeth Connor
Paul Wagenseller

The following members of the School are credited with missing only ONE Sunday in the year: Mrs. Elizabeth M. Adkins, David Arndt, Emma Mogridge and Harold Williams.

Those missing but two Sundays were: Sarah Conner, Florence E. Ithey and Russell Williams.

Those present all but four Sundays were: Herbert Brown, Mr. C. L. Hayhurst, Mr. O. N. Middleton, Mr. Geo. T. Morgan and Ralph Williams.

Those present all but four Sundays were: Mr. Edward Bains, Mr. Charles H. Jackson and Helen Williams.

In connection with the above records it might be well to remind the parents of our scholars that when a member of the School visits a Sunday School in another town, and procures a certificate of his or her attendance and hands it to the Secretary of our School, then a perfect record may be retained on the records of our School. Blanks are furnished when requested.

In our School a record is kept of the "Star Classes," that is the classes which have every member including the teacher present at a session of the School. In the year 1913 Mr. Morris' Class was "Star" 20 times, Miss Quay's Class 13 times, Mrs. Adkins' Class 12 times, and Mrs. Dowlings' Class 9 times. A number of other classes were "Stars" on several Sundays but not more than six times.

Let us all work and plan to make this year's Honor Roll much more imposing.

C. L. H., Sec.

of the Committees who had been to the Diocesan meetings at the Church House. These were followed by a discussion of work to be done during Lent. It was decided to furnish the outfit for our Indian girls at the Rose Bud School, and some other work to be decided upon by the Executive Committee.

It is most earnestly hoped that a larger number of the women of Christ Church will interest themselves in the Missionary work of the Church. How can we profess and call ourselves Christians, if we are not willing to do even a small share of the dear Masters Work?

The next meeting will be held on Thursday morning, February 5th, to which all women are invited.

A. M. M.

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew

On invitation of the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Arndt, a number of boys met at the Rectory of Christ Church Friday afternoon, January 9, 1914, to organize a Junior Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The Rev. Mr. Arndt presided, and after stating the object of the meeting, appointed Rev. Mr. Ruth, Director.

The Chapter was composed of the following boys: John F. Arndt, Robert Brigham, Leonard Carmichael, Reginald Graeffe, Henry Ritter, Charles Gordon Sutcliffe, William Morrison, E. Scranton Gillette, Philip Cannon, Howard Feist and Donald B. Cooper.

The following officers were elected: Vice Director, Reginald Graeffe; Donaldson B. Cooper, Secretary, and Robert Brigham, Treasurer.

It was decided that the Chapter would meet every two weeks, the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, at 7.45 P. M. The next meeting will be held Tuesday evening, January 13, 1914.

Donaldson B. Cooper, Sec.

There is no true prayer without some response. Invisible wires from heaven to earth are ever vibrating with Divine blessings, and when prayer touches them, the electric stream of love enters the soul.—Newman Hall

A Chinese Clergyman to Speak

On Sunday morning, February 1st, Rev. P. N. Tsu, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Shanghai, China will speak in Christ Church on the missionary work that is being done in that great country. He will address the Sunday School at the service in the Church at 9.30 and will also speak at the eleven o'clock service. In a letter to the Rector, Rev. Mr. Tsu writes:

"I shall be very glad indeed to visit your Parish on the first Sunday of February. I intend to speak on the development of the native church to your Sunday School. The subject of my address to the congregation will be the relations of Christianity and the pagan religions of China. Ours is the only self-supporting Parish in the Missionary district of Shanghai. Last October we raised \$6,000 for our new church to be erected in 1916.

Please read my articles published in the "Spirit of Mission." May and December, 1913.

Anticipating the pleasure of meeting you and your people.

Yours most sincerely,

P. N. Tsu

The Boys' Brigade

"God give us men!"

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The Boys' Brigade of Christ Church has heard it and is intent on meeting its demands.

Paul Williams, Mr. Ellis, George Taylor, and Fred Feist are doing splendid work.

Eighteen boys at the last drill!

Why not twenty-five by next meeting?

Boys over twelve years should come to the Parish House every Friday night at 7.45 o'clock sharp.

Report to Mr. Williams.

The Curate is present to talk a few moments to our little men after which they repair to the "gym" for an hour of drilling.

Then basket-ball.

Boys it is great! Come yourselves and bring others.

H S. R.

The Mother's Meeting

Our Annual Dinner will be held on Tuesday, January the thirteenth at three o'clock. We are hoping for fine weather, that all may come and enjoy the good things.

We are planning to do some special Missionary work for Lent that we also may enjoy the blessings which come from work for others.

A special appeal is made for partly worn winter clothing, to be given away as worthy cases are brought to our notice, and to be used for our sales. Our stock of winter clothing is very low, most of the garments only being suitable for Spring and Summer wear.

A. M. M.

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Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary met on Friday, January 9th. They will meet every Friday afternoon at four o'clock in the Parish House to sew for missions. The Secretary has a number of objects to work for and the members will decide at this meeting on January 16th. All young girls in the Parish are invited to meet with the Auxiliary on Friday afternoons and help in preparing a missionary box.

Guild Choir

The Guild Choir had a good representation at the Epiphany services on January 6th. Lent is near and volunteer singers will be needed for the week day Lenten services. All men and women who are willing to assist in this Guild Choir, which is responsible for the music at the extra services—not on Sundays—are cordially invited to join. Please send names and addresses to the Secretary, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, 430 Locust St., Germantown.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club has just sent off to Valdez, Alaska, its annual library; this library is sent to different parts of the United States, thus endeavoring not only to be impartial in our efforts, but to spread the work of our organization in all directions where it is most needed.

The usual number of books collected by our Librarians from each Parish annually and sent on their various ways, amount to about 500 volumes. This year we collected and sent 2000, and we all know how gratefully they will be received in far away Alaska.

This brings forcibly to our minds what immense good can be done when "two or three are gathered together."

Spread knowledge! which also helps to spread the Gospel! Let others have of your plenty after you have enjoyed it! Everyone in the Parish can give toward this great work! A book, a periodical or a contribution of money; little, medium or much! All or any of these will be deeply appreciated.

Envelope Subscribers

There have been some additions of late to the envelope subscribers. It is hoped that more members of the congregation will take out envelopes.

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the vergers. Begin now: "If thou hast

much, give plentifully; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gatherest thyself a great reward in the day of necessity."

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We must remember that we can go up to that happy country in no other way than as the saints went up of old; that it is of no use to think of the martyrs, unless we try to imitate them; that it will not avail us to pray to be with them hereafter, unless we have trodden in their footsteps here. Theirs were indeed great trials, and ours are little ones; but we are fighting the very same battle that they fought, and if we win we shall inherit the same reward. An evil thought put down, an unkind word left unsaid, is a stroke struck in the same war in which they are already crowned as conquerors. They were faithful in a few things before they were put in charge of many things; and if they had not been found trustworthy in the one, they had never attained the other. —J. Mason Neale.

Prof. C. Lloyd Morgan, in his recent book "The Interpretation of Nature," quotes from Professor Sully the story of a little girl who stole softly into the dining-room, not noticing that her elder sister was standing at the bookshelf in a dark corner of the room. The little girl took a bunch of grapes from the fruit-dish and tiptoed toward the door; but, before she reached it, she paused, then returned to the table, replaced the grapes, and left the room empty handed, murmuring softly, "Sold again, Satan!"

The Church's Loyalty to Truth

When we say in the Creed that we believe One Catholic and Apostolic Church we mean that we stand for that body of teaching which the Church of Christ originally received. It means that we "contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered unto the saints." Though the Church be divided, the Creed remains the same. Its integrity is unimpaired. Its terms have not been superseded. Its force has not been explained away. It means that we believe in the continuity of the Church through the inviolability of the Creed and the perpetuation of her apostolic order and ministry. It means that we have kept sacred the original commission given by our Lord to His Church. If other bodies of Christians have departed, more or less, from these principles, we leave the ultimate issue in the hands of the great Head of the Church. Visible Christian Unity may be desirable, but not by the sacrifice of those principles which are of more value than a mere negative unity. Perhaps the endeavor for visible Christian Unity is being overdone. When the time is ripe for it the Great Centre of Christian Unity will accomplish it. But not till then. Not until we prove ourselves not merely historical Christians or doctrinal Christians, but consistent Christians shall we be worthy of the restored jewel of visible Christian Unity. It was the spirit of domination and hate which lost it. It will be restored when the spirit of love and service dominates the Christian Churches. Rome and Constantinople and Canterbury and Geneva must give place to the Jerusalem which is from above. Whatever be the glory of each of these it must be merged in the greater glory of "the city of our God."

The seeker after Christian truth in its fulness and completeness, desiring to attach himself to a body of Christian believers which possesses at once Catholic antiquity, apostolic doctrine, and unbroken line of ministerial continuity from the apostles themselves; which values the Sacraments and administers

them in the terms of their original institutions; and which offers to God a public worship full of reverence, devotion, and spiritual fervor, will find in the Anglican Church, known in this country popularly as "the Episcopal Church," those things for which he seeks. At first he may find it difficult to adjust himself to its environment and its atmosphere. But when he becomes accustomed to her ways, receives Holy Baptism and Confirmation, becomes a devout and regular communicant, and assimilates her splendid spirit, he will understand the reason for the loyalty and love of those who repeat with him the words in the Creed: "I believe One Catholic and Apostolic Church."—From the Old Faith in a New Setting, by the Rev. B. W. R. Tayler, D. D.

To be beautiful we must cherish every kind impulse and generous disposition, making love the ruling affection of the heart, the ordering principle and inspiring motive of life; the more kindness, the more beauty; the more love, the more loveliness.

There is but one virtue, in naming which the whole Divine character is summed up. We are told that God is Love, and both S. James and S. John teach us that love is the corner stone of the Christian character and life. Love of our brother in the helpful deed and kindly word; love of God in the resolute acceptance of His orderings and following of his commandments.

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A Letter From the Rector Christ Church Rectory Lent 1914

My Dear Friends:

Once again the call of Lent is sounding in our ears, bringing with it its message of unspeakable solemnity to every soul which will hearken. Lent succeeds Lent with a rapidity which almost startles me as the years fly by, and each one brings us nearer to the long ages of that eternity which is so very near to us.—so much nearer than we are yet able to realize.

Let us begin this Lent in the most earnest prayer to the Holy Spirit for His guidance and blessing upon what we are going to undertake. So much depends upon powerful preparation. The great Sower will sow His seed now, as always, with the most liberal hand; but its fruitfulness will depend upon the preparation of the ground of the heart. Are we convinced that prayer is the one power which can command the graces of God, and that nothing good and lasting can be done without it? No matter if at the present moment you feel cold and lifeless, disinclined for the necessary effort; it is prayer that will remedy this. Go to God and tell Him exactly how you feel. Put all your trust, not in yourself, but in what you know that He is able to give you. This very disin-

clination is often a sign that He means to do great things for you, and that He wants you to recognize that it is He who has done it. Have you not found that the most blessed Lents in your past life have been those in which you have been most conscious of your weakness at the beginning, but about which you have prayed very earnestly. Let us begin this Lent, and continue and end it, in the spirit of most earnest prayer.

There is something indescribable about this season of Lent, something which cannot be explained by the mere fact of the extra services and our own penitential discipline, something which I have recognized and wondered at and rejoiced in for very many years; it is like the touch of another world upon the darkness and worldliness of our present lives. It is a wilderness, but the wilderness has blossomed like the rose. It is often a hard and wearisome way, but there are visions of the heavenly country. What can this mean but the "unction of the Holy One," and the magnet power of the Cross? There is nothing more certain than this to all who have experienced this atmosphere of Lent. God is always near us, but then He makes His nearness felt, because He sees us really trying to draw near to Him.

But this drawing nigh unto God is not merely the effect of prayer; it is also brought about by strictness of life and the voluntary acceptance of the cross. There can be no blessing upon a Lent in which self-discipline does not hold a very foremost place. The ordinary means are fasting and works of mortification; all earnest Churchmen will want to use these means; but, for those who cannot, for reasons of health practise these, there must, at least, be a real renunciation of the world, and of the luxuries of life, however harmless in themselves. It is impossible to exaggerate the spiritual effect of this voluntary treading the way of the cross. Its influence is felt at once; the scales of worldliness drop from our eyes, the heavenly vision becomes clearer, the interior life is invigorated and new possibilities of holiness open out before the soul. Can we afford to throw away one of life's great opportunities for the sake of a little self-indulgence and personal ease? Has not long experience taught us that these have never brought us real happiness or satisfaction? God is the only true end and joy of the soul. When shall we learn this, and give ourselves up without reserve to seek Him? I pray that the hearts of the men and women—and the children, too—of Christ Church will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to make this Lenten Season an occasion of real sacrifice, of unselfish devotion, of a deepening of the spiritual life of the soul. This we can do only by using the Divine Means of Grace which our Saviour has bequeathed unto us.

Affectionately Yours,

Charles Henry Arndt

How to Keep Lent

The best way to keep Lent is,—first to be in earnest. Lent demands of us to be sincere, to be genuine, to be real. First, resolving to make an honest endeavor—then this honest endeavor will be best carried out by employing the following Means of Grace, which will surely bring to all, who faithfully and conscientiously use them, a spiritual blessing.

Prayer—

Intense, earnest—both public and private—expressive of the deepest desire of your heart for a better life.

Meditation—

In the quiet of your own room and in the house of God, that you may think of your life and its duties; that you may understand better the lessons the Cross of Christ teaches of sin and holiness, of guilt and forgiveness.

Self-Examination—

To find out your besetting sins, your sinful habits, your failings, temptations, dangers; to ascertain your actual spiritual condition, that you may strengthen the good, and conquer the evil.

Repentance—

Whereby you forsake sin, that dishonors and offends God, violates His laws and pollutes your soul—a genuine hatred of that which makes your Saviour mourn and drives him from your breast.

Church Attendance—

A punctual, regular and systematic attendance upon the special services appointed. Attend as many as possible. Give special importance to every opportunity offered to partake of the Holy Communion.

Good Works—

That by abundant labors you may serve humanity for the Master's sake, and use your influence to bring others into the fold of Christ.

Alms Giving—

To relieve distress; to advance the interests of the Church; to create an Easter offering worthy of your devotion.

Blessings of a Quiet Lent

There are no times in life when blessings descend so richly upon the soul as in the quiet, meditative, hours of self-examination, when alone with God the soul learns more of duty, and finds ways to fulfill it—of privileges, and enters upon their enjoyment.

You will realize the awful character of sin, and will shun it as you would a drink of deadly poison.

You will have learned how "to keep the body under," how to break every evil habit, that has gained control over you; and will rejoice over the "conquest of self."

You will have gained a deeper insight into truth, and a better knowledge of God and your relations to Him.

Your character will be purified; your spiritual power will be increased; your Christian life will be filled with richer experiences of prayer and devotion.

Looking upon the Cross, you will realize that you have been bought "with a price," and that your talents of mind and body belong to Christ—your time, influence, money, life—all are Christ's; and you will more fully consecrate them to His service.

Your heart will be touched with sympathy for your Redeemer; and you will love Him with an intenser love, and give Him the allegiance of your life.

You will love the Church better than ever before—

"Her sweet communions, solemn vows,

Her hymns of prayer and praise."

Are not these results worthy of your effort this Lent?

Duplex Envelopes

I want to say a word about the duplex envelope system of giving toward the expenses of the Parish and the maintenance of the charities and missions. Every self-respecting person will want to share in helping in the support of the Church's work. A large number of the people of Christ Church are giving liberally and systematically. There are others who are giving disproportionately to their ability and only as fancy dictates. There is also a considerable number who are neither giving systematically nor liberally—a few, it pains me to note—who are doing nothing. I do not want to believe that there are any who are willfully and intentionally shirking their responsibility. I much rather believe that they are careless and will wish to co-operate in the support of their Church when the matter is brought definitely before them. I pray that all may do at least their duty in this respect, and, in time be led to a

higher plane of considering Christian duty a great privilege. It is only then that we can begin to realize the blessedness of giving—as many noble souls in this Parish can testify. The Vestry needs every dollar they can get to meet the expenses of this Parish and to discharge the assessments that are made for charitable and missionary objects. Each year there is a deficit, because some fail to do their duty. If every member, man, woman and child would resolve to bear his or her share, this Parish would then be able to meet each year its full quota of expenses and begin each fiscal year without arrears. Is it not time for some people, who have been neglecting their duty in this respect to help in the support of the Master's work and give something, systematically and regularly according as God has blessed them? I am sure that every self-respecting person will want to do this especially when their attention is called to the urgent need. The Duplex Envelope System affords an opportunity for every one to give something, in a systematic way. Even the children should be taught the privilege of sharing in this giving and every child, as well as every adult, should have his or her own package of envelopes and be encouraged to be regular and systematic in contributing to the extension of the Kingdom of God.

System is as necessary in the Church as in secular affairs. It forms good habits, and it also produces results of value. Even the most spontaneous acts such as prayer, need to be cultivated, and performed according to some rule. This principle holds good of our giving. Only by regularity can we gain the habit of worshipping the Lord with our substance, or give a worthy amount to the maintenance and extension of the Church. To attain these important ends, we introduced the Duplex Envelopes into Christ Church two years ago. The results have been encouraging. Our offerings increased at once. But it is clear that we can do much better. There are many who have not accepted the boxes or make no use of them. Others who have taken them use them only fitfully.

Let us start this Lent, with the resolve that every envelope in our box, shall carry an offering into the Church's treasury. Secondly, let us endeavor to get every one in the Church to accept a package of envelopes. Thirdly, let us try to put something into each pocket every Sunday.

Let us each give according to our abilities; the poorer members not discouraged by the necessary smallness of their gifts, and the richer not wearied by the number of the demands that come upon them from many quarters, but giving as God hath prospered them.

The money placed in the pocket marked simply "Missions," will go to the Apportionment.

In addition to the expenses of the Parish, a little over \$2100.00 is asked from Christ Church for outside purposes, each as Mission, Episcopal and Convention Fund, Germantown Convocation Fund, Sustentation Fund, etc. Let every one do his best and God will bless us in our endeavors. May God give us the spirit of loyalty and liberality! Those who are willing to co-operate—and certainly there must be many—will find pledge cards in the vestibules or they may be had from the Verger. Please sign this card and place, as soon as possible, on the alms plate or send it to the Rector.

The list of Lenten Services, together with the names of the special preachers on Sunday evenings and the subjects for the week-day addresses to be delivered in Christ Church will be found on page six of this issue of the "Chimes." Let every one read over carefully this list and resolve to attend as many services as possible and also, endeavor to do some unselfish missionary work by bringing others to the services. The Rector expects every member to do his duty!

Every woman of the Parish should make it a special duty, during this coming Lent, to attend the **weekly meeting** of the Women's Missionary Society, which will meet every Thursday morning in the Parish House at 10 o'clock to sew for Missions. There will be occasionally, a special speaker

at these meetings. Please read the announcement of the Women's Auxiliary to be found on page seven of this issue.

Lenten Resolutions

Made by a member of Christ Church and affectionately commended to others during this Lent by the help of God.

1. I will attend regularly and constantly throughout the whole season of Lent the services on another page which I have marked.

2. I will devote minutes every day to private prayer and meditation; to the reading of the Bible and other devotional books.

3. I will deny myself some articles of food during the entire season.

4. I will withhold my presence from all social gatherings and public amusements.

5. I will lay aside daily or weekly the equivalent of my self-denials toward my Easter offering.

6. After consultation with the Rector of the parish, I will undertake some definite parish work, and be responsible for its accomplishment.

7. My motto during the season will be: "No day without some deed to crown it."

8. I will use my influence with (name some person or persons) to bring them to services and to an earnest Christian life, and will remember these persons in my prayers.

9. At twelve o'clock each day I will pray for missions.

10. Above all, I will find out and strive against my besetting sin.

And may God give me the help of His Holy Spirit to keep these resolutions faithfully and constantly until Easter Day. Amen.

Confirmation

The Rector wishes to call attention that the Instructions on Confirmation are being given in the Parish House every Friday afternoon at four o'clock (for minors), and at eight o'clock, for adults. He welcomes all persons to these instructions—confirmed and unconfirmed. He will be pleased to talk with any one on the subject after any service or by appointment. Do not delay. Act now!

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Sunday School Teachers Meeting—Second Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Services in Lent

Services will be held in Christ Church every afternoon, during Lent, at 4.45 o'clock and also on Wednesday at 9.30 A. M. and at 8.00 P. M. The following is the schedule of services:

ASH WEDNESDAY	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office and Sermon	11.00 A. M.
Evening Prayer and Litany	4.45 P. M.
Service and Address	8.00 P. M.
MONDAYS	
Evening Prayer	4.45 P. M.
TUESDAYS	
Evening Prayer, Address	4.45 P. M.
WEDNESDAYS	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Litany and Reading	4.45 P. M.
Evening Prayer, Address	8.00 P. M.
THURSDAYS	
Evening Prayer, Answering Questions from the Question Box	4.45 P. M.
FRIDAYS	
Evening Prayer, and Intercession	4.45 P. M.
SATURDAYS	
Evening Prayer, Address to Young People	4.45 P. M.
SUNDAYS	
Holy Communion, Every Sunday	7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon (Holy Communion), First Sunday	11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon (Special Preachers. See list below)	7.45 P. M.
Sunday School Church Service, Every First Sunday	9.30 A. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes. (In Parish House)	9.30 A. M.
HOLY WEEK SERVICES	
MONDAY	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Intercessory Prayer, Meditation on the Sacred Events of the Day	4.45 P. M.
TUESDAY	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Intercessory Prayer, Meditation on the Sacred Events of the Day	4.45 P. M.
WEDNESDAY	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Litany, Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Intercessory Prayer, Meditation on the Sacred Events of the Day	4.45 P. M.
Service and Sermon	8.00 P. M.
MAUNDY THURSDAY	
Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Intercessory Prayer, Meditation on the Sacred Events of the Day	4.45 P. M.
Confirmation Service, Address by the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D.	8.00 P. M.
GOOD FRIDAY	
Penitential Service, Pro-Anaphora, Address	10.00 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross, (conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Green)	12.00 noon-3.00 P. M.
EASTER EVEN	
Evening Prayer and Baptism	4.45 P. M.

Confirmation Instruction
Instructions on confirmation will be given by the Rector in the Parish House every Friday afternoon at four o'clock (for minors) and every Friday evening at eight o'clock (for adults). The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, will visit this parish to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation on Maundy Thursday evening (April 9th) ALL persons, whether they have been confirmed or not are invited to attend these weekly instructions. The Rector will be pleased to meet persons who may desire to confer with him on Confirmation, after any service or by appointment.

SPECIAL LENTEN PREACHERS
First Sunday Evening—The Rev. Norman V. Lewis, Rector Church of the Incarnation, Philadelphia.
Second Sunday Evening—The Rev. Elliot White, Rector St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia.
Third Sunday Morning—The Rev. C. George Carrie, D. D., Formerly Rector of St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia.
Third Sunday Evening—The Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, Associate Superintendent City Mission.
Fourth Sunday Evening—The Rev. Gilbert E. Pember, Rector Christ Church, Ridley Park.
Fifth Sunday Evening—The Rev. William T. Capers, Rector Church of the Holy Apostles, Philadelphia, Bishop Co-Adjutor Elect, West Texas.
Sixth Sunday Evening—The Rev. J. J. Rowan Spong, Ardmore, Pa.
Maundy Thursday Evening—The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania (Confirmation.)

SUBJECT OF LENTEN ADDRESSES
TUESDAY AFTERNOON
Christ's Prayers
March 3rd—His Habit of Prayer
March 10th—At the Grave of Lazarus
March 17th—As High Priest
March 24th—In Gethsemane
March 31st—On the Cross
WEDNESDAY EVENING
Men Who Crucify Christ
Ash Wednesday—The Cross of Calvary
March 4th—Judas
March 11th—Special Sermon by the Rev. G. C. F. Brutenahl, D. D., Secretary of the Third Province.
March 18th—Pilate
March 25th—Herod
April 1st—Caiaphas
April 8th—The People
THURSDAY AFTERNOON
Questions placed in the Question Box by members of the Congregation, will be answered at these services.
SATURDAY AFTERNOONS
For Young People
Feb. 28th—With Christ in the Home
March 7th—With Christ at School and Work
March 14th—With Christ in Recreation and Pleasure
March 21st—With Christ in the Neighborhood
March 28th—With Christ in Church and Sunday School
April 4th—With Christ in Sickness and Sorrow

Daily Prayers for Lent

For Faithfulness—

O Almighty God, I beseech Thee, hear this, my prayer and grant my petitions in this time of grace and penitence. Enable me to perform my religious duties with exactitude and reverence and grant that this fast, consecrated by the example and precepts of Thy Adorable Son, may be pleasing in Thy sight and strengthen me with His might, that I may serve Thee more faithfully in time to come and bring me, finally, to Thy eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
A Prayer for the Parish—

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplication of Thy servants and grant unto this Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and

confirm the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth and bring all to be of one mind and one heart within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

For Missions—

O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Women's Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting in the Parish House, Thursday, February the fifth at 10.30 A. M. There were about ten women present, which is a very small proportion of all the women in Christ Church. The Auxiliary begins its Lenten work on Thursday, February the 26th at 10.00 o'clock and it is hoped that these weekly meetings from then until Easter will be well attended. The work to be done is now being prepared by the committees appointed to purchase and cut out materials, so that all will be in readiness for the volunteer sewers those Thursday mornings in Lent which everybody found so pleasant last season.

The purchasing committee is Mrs. George Morgan and Mrs. William N. Johnson.

The cutting committee is Mrs. Geo. Morgan, Mrs. C. B. Williams, Mrs. H. C. Thompson, Mrs. P. T. Robinson, Mrs. Keith Rodney, Mrs. Topliff Johnson.

The reports from the Diocesan committees were excellent and most interesting.

The chairman, Mrs. J. J. Morrison made a full report on the meeting held at Holy Trinity to urge interest and assistance for Dr. Teusler's work in St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, Japan. Bishop Lloyd and Hamilton, Wright Mabie were speakers.

A report was also made of the Germantown Convocation held at St. Michael's Church, January the 20th. The delegates were Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Marot and Mrs. Potter. Upon payment of 25c. a year any churchman can become a member of the Convocation which keeps one in touch with the local missionary work of the Germantown Convocation.

The Women's Auxiliary also had two representatives at a parlor meeting at Mrs. George Knorr's, West School House Lane, to listen to a most interesting talk given by a young English woman working in the extreme north of Japan under the American Board of Missions.

L. J.

The Question Box

A box has been placed at the west door of the Church to receive written questions on any religious subject, which the members of the Congregation would like to have answered. If there are any religious difficulties perplexing the minds of persons or if there is any information which members in the congregation would like to have on religious subjects, the Rector requests that they be written out on a piece of paper and placed in the Question Box at the door. The box will be opened weekly and the subjects referred to on the papers contained therein will be discussed from the chancel at each Thursday afternoon service. Many questions, no doubt, come up to the minds of honest, truth-seeking men and women, upon which light might be thrown and doubts cleared away, if an opportunity were presented. It is the intention at these Thursday afternoon services to afford an opportunity to discuss such questions and it is hoped that, by God's grace, some difficulties may be removed and the faith of some may be made stronger.

The time of the daily afternoon Lenten Services has been put at quarter of five, in order that persons who live at a distance from the church may return to their homes before dusk. The afternoon services will be from one-half to three-quarters of an hour long. A short address will be given on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons. For the subjects see list of Lenten Services. On other afternoons Evening Prayer only will be said.

The fiscal year of the Parish ends at Easter. It is desired that all outstanding indebtedness should be met before that time. Will all persons who have made special pledges of any kind for Parish purposes kindly send the full amount of their pledge to the Acting Warden, or place the amount in a marked envelope on the plate as soon as possible?

The Girls' Friendly Society

There was a beautiful little service held in the Church on the first Sunday evening in February when ten girls were admitted into the Girls Friendly Society and ten members were advanced to the Senior membership. We were all so sorry not to have Mr. Arndt officiate at the admission service but Mr. Ruth very kindly took the service. The G. F. S. has had a very successful winter so far, the girls come more regularly, and we have some very enjoyable evenings. One evening a month we read. We are reading Lorna Doone, and another evening we have an interesting talk, and then we have our social evening. We had such a delightful evening at Mrs. Schaeffer's about a month ago. Through Lent the G. F. S. all over the country sew for missions, and Christ Church Branch has always done very well and we hope to have a very busy time this Lent. We would be very glad to have any girl in the Parish meet with us, we meet on Tuesday evening in the Parish House at eight o'clock.

M. P. M.

The Boys' Brigade

What it is not.

It is not a reform society.

It is assumed all applicants are characteristic boys having to some degree a sense of honor.

It is not strictly parochial.

It is social and missionary in spirit.

Not only does it desire all the boys over 12 years in Christ Church Parish for members, but also those belonging to other Sunday Schools. Boys not attending any Sunday School may become members by joining Christ Church Sunday School.

It is not wholly secular.

Its ultimate object is to make Christ more real to the boys, and to better fit them by exhortation, discipline, and wholesome pleasure for greater usefulness as Christ-men in the world.

Look in the next edition of the "Chimes" for what it is. Watch us grow. Membership now over 25.

The Sunday School

The Sunday School will make a special effort during the Lenten Season to reach all the old scholars. This will mean much work in the way of visitation and the Superintendent asks for volunteers for this service.

An "Older Boys Congress" will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Building Arch Street, on February 27-28. Christ Church Sunday School will be represented and we anticipate much good to result from these meetings.

The attendance has been good during January notwithstanding some trying weather. Four or five "Star" classes every Sunday. The officers are pleased to record the visits of several substitute teachers. We have room for more especially at this time when sickness is keeping away several regular teachers. The names of "Star Classes" and "Star Scholars" will be published in the "Chimes" every three months. We look for a long list next month.

G. T. M.

Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club is glad to report great activity in the Christ Church Branch of the work. Several new contributors have come forward and offered to send their magazines as soon as the Librarian can furnish names and addresses which she is delighted and willing to do, as speedily as possible.

The Church Periodical year closes the first of April and it is most encouraging to be able to hand in a larger report each year both in money and magazines, but greater than that is the pleasure of knowing that we have cheered and broadened that many more lives than had had such privileges one year previously.

There is a great call for the Sunday School magazine, and this each teacher in the Sunday School could certainly supply one person by sending his magazine to a given address each month when the new one comes out.

Any good magazine will be appreciated, kindly call up Gtn. 3241 or address Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Librarian, 430 Locust Ave.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary meets each Friday afternoon at four o'clock in the Parish House.

We decided at the last meeting to change the hour to three o'clock with the understanding that the younger members would meet at four as usual.

We have commenced a christening outfit to be sent to Rev. H. Burt, Cheyenne River agency, South Dakota, to be used when the Indian babies are brought to the mission to be baptized.

Very often the mothers have not clean clothes for their babies to be baptized in and it is a help to have an outfit at the mission.

The Junior Auxiliary is composed of the young girls of the Parish who meet once a week for the purpose of exchanging ideas, sewing, and having a good time.

We would like more girls to assist us in our work and we hope all who can will come.

The officers of the Junior Auxiliary are:

Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Mrs. Laurena Simcox, Leaders.

Frances O'Brien, President

Marion Waldman, Vice President

Elman Strien, Treasurer

Marjorie Howell, Secretary

M. H.

Mission Study Class

A Mission Study Class for young ladies will be held in the Parish House every Wednesday afternoon—beginning on Ash Wednesday—at 3 o'clock. The class will be taught by Miss Virginia Morrison. This will be a splendid opportunity for young ladies to study the subject of Missions and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Should you notice unusual things being done in the usual way, or ordinary things being done extraordinarily well, it is because the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew is composed of lively boys, thoroughly conscious of their obligations expressed in the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of service.

There is a great deal to be done but more help is needed.

Boys over 12 years of age are cordially invited to the meetings of the Brotherhood every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7.45 P. M.

H. S. R.

Altar Guild

An unusually interesting meeting of the Altar Guild was held on Monday afternoon, February the ninth. Work for the Lenten season was discussed.

The embroidery class under Miss Chase's able instruction is busily at work and expect to accomplish a great deal before Easter. Mrs. Cotton has donated, as a thank-offering, money for a white stole, which it is also hoped will be finished by then. The Guild was glad to welcome Mrs. Cotton after her long and serious illness. Miss Chase was commissioned to buy linen for new veils, which will be embroidered by members of the Guild.

F. B.

Confirmation or the Laying on of Hands

We learn from the Acts of the Apostles that in the early days of the Church, after converts had been baptized, the Apostles used to lay their hands upon them for the further outpouring of the Holy Ghost. It was so in the case of those Samaritans to whom the Acts viii, v. 14 refers. We are told that "when the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John, who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost (for as yet He was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus). Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost." It was so also in the case of certain believers at Ephesus, of whom St. Paul asked whether they had received the Holy Ghost when they believed, meaning thereby to inquire whether, after they were baptized, they had received the Laying on of Hands. Their answer showed that they had not received Christian Baptism at all, but had been baptized only with the baptism of John, that is, of John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord. Whereupon, by St. Paul's direction, they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and then he laid his hands on them; and "the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied."

The holy rite of Laying on of Hands has been continued in the Church from the beginning.

The special blessing, then, which we are taught to connect with Confirmation is spiritual strength. If by Baptism we are taken into Christ, and are made to be "in the Lord," by Confirmation we are made to be "strong in the Lord." This is the teaching of Holy Scripture, and of the primitive Church, as Hooker says in those familiar words, "The Fathers everywhere impute to Confirmation that gift of grace of the Holy Spirit, not which makes us first Christian men, but, when we are made such, assisteth us in all virtue, and armeth us against temptation and sin."

As it is with regard to all means of grace and religious ordinances generally, that they are to us very much what we ourselves make them, so it is with Confirmation. If a person comes to it with earnest purpose of heart, offering himself and his life to Christ, not knowing, indeed—as how can he as yet know?—all that self-sacrifice involves, but trusting himself to his Saviour and there is that within him which, if he will fully trust Him, will be an infinite strength—a living Power, which will do for him exceeding abundantly above all that he can ask or think—a Power which will be ever at work within him, destroying, correcting, encouraging, impelling, invigorating him, carrying him on step by step, until he is able to present him perfect in Christ Jesus.

Can any one dare to risk a life without His grace and power. Submit yourself to Him, according to His will and ways and you will know His power. The Bishop of the Diocese will be here on Maundy Thursday evening to confirm. The Rector affectionately invites all, who have not as yet been confirmed to consult with him about this all important matter at once. Do not delay. "Now is the accepted time; now is the day of Salvation."

Patience Guards Faith

Patience is the guardian of faith, the preserver of peace, the cherisher of love, the teacher of humility. Patience governs the flesh, strengthens the spirit, sweetens the temper, stifles anger, extinguishes envy, subdues pride; she bridles the tongue, restrains the hand, tramples upon temptations, endures persecution, consummates martyrdom. Patience produces unity in the church, loyalty in the state, harmony in families and societies; she comforts the poor and moderates the rich; she makes us humble in prosperity, cheerful in adversity, unmoved by calamity and reproach; she teaches us to forgive those who have injured us, and to be the first in asking forgiveness of those whom we have injured; she delights the faithful and invites the unbelieving; she adorns the woman and improves the man; is loved in a child, praised in a young man, admir-

ed in an old man; she is beautiful in either sex and every age.—Bishop Horne.

Opportunities Abroad

All thoughtful men agree that we live in critical times—amid great resolutions in thought and in society.

The opening years of this century are laden with problems in regard to this nation that shall determine its future welfare and power. The opportunity is given to the Christian problem, and lay wise foundations for the noblest Christian nation on earth.

Never were grander opportunities given to the Church we love to plant the standard of Christ and our most holy faith, in all the developing sections of our country, or to wield an immense influence in the well-settled centres of population.

In this great crisis in history, the Church bids us learn in this solemn season the chance offered for Christian prayers and gifts, the importance of the hour, and the responsibility to use well an opportunity that once neglected can never return.

By reference to the list of services it will be seen that clergymen from the city and at a distance have agreed to come to Christ Church on Sunday evenings in Lent. It is a great favor that these clergymen are doing the people of the Parish, and it is hoped that the people of Christ Church will show their appreciation by attending these Sunday evening services.

All who attend the daily Lenten Services in the Church are urged to occupy the front pews. It is an advantage in every way that the congregation should be compact and not scattered throughout the Church. At these daily Lenten Services it is very important that all should take part in the singing of the canticles and hymns. Endeavor to come early to these services and devote the time before the service begins to meditation and prayer. Religious reading may be found in the Tulpehocken Street vestibule. This literature may be taken by putting price of book in the alms box.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
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An Easter Letter from the Rector

Holy Week with its solemn, sacred lesson draws nigh! The glorious Easter dawn will soon light up the darkness that surrounds the Cross and hangs heavily over the tomb and will pour forth its golden rays of eternal hope and joy into every Christian heart. The joy with which we enter into the coming Easter Day will depend upon the way in which we spend these latter days of Lent. No one can enter into the deepest joys of Easter save him who follows Jesus in His sufferings and kneels before the Cross. "It is a faithful saying, for if we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him; if we suffer, we shall also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He shall also deny us."

On Easter Day, what beauty of holiness, what divine joy, what glimpses of heaven burst full upon the soul of him who has lived and talked and communed with Jesus during these solemn forty days!

Surely, my dear friends, there can be no in in this Parish, who is really a Christian at heart, who will wish to allow to pass by so precious a privilege as now is at hand in these closing days of Lent.

I affectionately urge, therefore, that every member of Christ Church devote

the remaining days before Easter to an earnest, conscientious and devout attendance at the services of your Church; that you prayerfully endeavor to lay to heart the solemn, sacred meaning of the lessons of Holy Week; that you practice, during these solemn days, a genuine self-denial that will represent real sacrifice and love and devotion to the Saviour Who has done so much for you, that, in the work of our Prayer Book, you "so search and examine your own consciences, (and that, not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God; but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly Feast, * * * and be received as worthy partakers of that Holy Table."

My earnest prayer to God is that there will come to the heart of every member of Christ Church, this Holy Week and Easter Day, a deep conviction of sin, both of omission and commission, a re-consecration of life to the service of our Blessed Lord and an outpouring of the Holy Spirit of God that will possess you and direct you in every good work!

With this prayer from my heart may I not look for every communicant on Easter morning kneeling before the altar in Christ Church?

I can wish you no higher joy nor greater blessing, and I pray that this joy and this blessing, this peace may come this Easter into every Christian home, into every Christian soul in this community.

Affectionately your friend and Rector

Charles Henry Arndt

The Rector has received the following circular letter sent out by the Rector of Calvary Church, Pittsburg, Pa. It is published in the "Chimes" with a hope that it may bring a cordial response to every busy man and woman who may not be able to attend a Church service on Good Friday.

Pittsburg, Pa.

March 9th, 1914

Reverend and Dear Sir:

At the last General Convention a resolution was passed unanimously by the House of Deputies, "Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we commend to all Christian people the observance of ten minutes' thoughtful silence at three o'clock on Good Friday in recognition and commemoration of the sacrifice and death of the world's Saviour." The House of Bishops adopted the following substitute: "Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we recognize with sympathy the inability of many Christian people to share in the age-long custom of setting apart Good Friday as a day of public and private devotion in commemoration of the sacrifice of our Lord. In view of this fact we call upon them at noon on that day to unite in at least a few minutes of special personal contemplation of Christ crucified." The House of Deputies concurred in the substitute.

Possibly a word of explanation in regard to the motive and meaning of this action of the General Convention may be acceptable to those of the clergy who were not present.

When a President of the United States dies, during his term of office,

at the time of his funeral there is a general cessation of business for a few moments throughout the country; the country is silent out of respect for his memory. When the President of a great railway system dies there is a cessation of business in its shops and offices for a few minutes at the hour of his funeral; the system is silent out of respect for his memory. The veterans of the Grand Army observe a few minutes' silence at noon on Memorial Day in commemoration of the death of their comrades. It is the world's way of showing respect. There is no expression of recognition or commemoration of the sacrifice and death of the world's Saviour by the great Christian world. It observes Christmas in recognition of His birth; it very largely observes Easter in commemoration of His resurrection; the Church has its Eucharist and its Good Friday services; but for multitudes of people who call themselves Christians, who believe in Christ, who honor His memory and trust in His atoning death, there is no expression or commemoration of His death which at all corresponds with that of His birth and resurrection. It is hoped that this may appeal to them, that they may feel its reasonableness and appropriateness, and that it may draw them to that larger expression of faith and love which the Church affords; that if it is adopted and observed by our own Church it may appeal to other Christian Communion, as our observance of Christmas and Good Friday has done. It is indeed a little thing, utterly inadequate, but anything would be inadequate, and something is better than nothing. The Reverend Clergy are asked to commend it earnestly to their people, to their Clerical Unions, to the Ministerial Unions of other Christian bodies, to do what they may to "commend it to all Christian people." As no committee was appointed by the Convention to remind the Church of its action, I have ventured to take upon myself the liberty of doing so.

Faithfully yours,

J. H. McIlvaine

Good Friday Services

The services on Good Friday in Christ Church will be Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and address at ten o'clock.

A Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Greene, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Norwood, Pa., from noon until three o'clock. Persons attending this service are requested to be in the Church for meditation and prayer before the noon hour. They who find it necessary to leave before the end of the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns and not at the time of the Meditations. The offering on Good Friday will be devoted to Church work among the Colored People. Alms plates will be found at the doors.

The Vestry Letter

The Vestry have issued an earnest appeal to all worshippers in Christ Church for a generous Easter offering. Two thousand dollars are needed to meet the deficit for the past year, which must be made up at once and five hundred dollars is asked for to apply on the Parish House debt, making a total of \$2500 required at Easter. One thousand dollars was paid off on the Parish House debt during the past year and each year it is desired that there shall be a considerable reduction of the balance of the debt of \$6000.

Twenty five hundred dollars is a large sum but it can be raised if **every one will give generously.**

Let every person who considers Christ Church his or her Church home or who attends the services of this Church, make an extraordinary effort this Easter to give conscientiously an offering which will mean a **genuine sacrifice.**

Only in this way can the amount be realized. May the Holy Spirit move the hearts of our people to give generously as God has blessed each!

"An Every Member Canvas"

In several churches in this vicinity, the men of the Parishes inaugurated a movement which has been productive of great good, both to the individual

members and to the work of the Church. It consists in a personal canvas, by a large body of men, among all the members of the Parish, to enlist the interest of **every member**, in helping to support, both the mission work of the Church and also the expenses of the Parish.

A comparatively few people give toward the support of its great work and it is believed that every member will wish to do his or her part, if this important matter is brought personally to the attention of each one.

A number of men in Christ Church intend to follow the good example of other parishes and make an "every member canvas," that is to call on every member in Christ Church and ask his or her co-operation during the coming year, in the support of this work. It is not right that any person in the Parish, who attends the services of the Church, or looks to the clergy to minister to them in sickness or trouble or in sorrow, should not have an opportunity of doing their share in support of the Parish. No self-respecting person wants some one else to pay his share and yet, there are a large number in this Parish who are doing nothing, or next to nothing, for this work. Every adult member of the Church, every child in the family should be made to feel his or her **personal responsibility** and to share in the blessed privilege of helping to some extent, however small, according to their ability.

It is wrong, both in principle and in practice, that the work of the Church should be supported by a few—a wrong to those who give and also to those who do not give. Every one should be made to feel that the responsibility of the spread of Christ's Kingdom on earth belongs to every Christian, not to a few. The Rector, therefore, is in hearty sympathy with this effort on the part of the men of the Parish and asks that **every member** shall co-operate with this movement.

It is proposed to divide the Parish into districts and to assign to each committee of men a certain number of parishioners to be visited. The Rector feels certain that, not only will

these gentlemen be courteously received by the parishioners—which goes without saying—but that every member of the Parish will be interested in this canvas and will pledge something, however small it may be, to the support of the Parish and its philanthropies. The committee ask for other men to volunteer to join them in this canvas, which will be undertaken immediately after Easter. The Rector will be pleased to receive the names of any man who will co-operate in this canvas. Please report to the Rector at once. Further announcements will be made later from the chancel.

Holy Week Services

There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion every morning, except Good Friday, at half past seven; also on Wednesday morning, with Litany, at half past nine. There will be Meditation on the Sacred Events of each day at quarter to five.

On Wednesday night at eight o'clock service and concluding sermon in the course—"Men Who Crucify Christ."

The Bishop of the Diocese will Confirm and give an address to Communicants on Maundy Thursday at eight o'clock. On Good Friday, Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and address at 10.00 A. M. Three Hour Service, Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Greene from 12 noon to 3.00 P. M.

On Good Friday evening the choir will sing Maundy's Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary."

Easter Day

Holy Communion—6.30 and 7.30 A.M.
Holy Communion and Sermon—11.00 o'clock.

Sunday School Easter Carol Service—7.30 P. M.

Early Communion

(A letter from one of the Laity to Another).

Since you told me that you have never been present at an early celebration of the Holy Communion, the thought has been ever present of you and certain other dear friends whom I do not meet there.

If it were possible to set before your eyes the picture that rises before mine!—the quiet of the early preparations in a house not yet astir—the issuing into the streets, silent, except for other worshippers moving to and fro; the rare beauty of the new day, fresh from the hand of God, undefiled as yet and unspoiled by the deeds of men;—a wonderful revelation in this world of serenity and peace,—a revelation new every morning of this early pilgrimage to the house of God.

And the arrival,—the same, or rather a yet holier, calm brooding over all things; no presence save that of those who are like-minded; no intrusion of curiosity or frivolity; no pang of regret at the departure of those who turn their backs on the altar and the command "This do,"—nothing to come between the disciple and the Master. About you are those who are weary and heavy laden,—those who have climbed up hither out of a life so immersed in worldly cares or concerns that only this constant return to the mount of vision can keep in sight that which is invisible: the man of business and affairs,—the over-taxed professional worker; the woman whose daily cares and anxieties would dry up the springs of her life but for the never-failing fountain which fills and refreshes her soul.

Here, too, are those who are under the shadow of bereavement. In the first anguish of parting they have come to meet at the altar that dear soul who is nearer to-day than ever in the flesh.

Here, too, are those whose hearts overflow with joy at the great deliverance that has been granted them, or the new happiness that crowns their lives; their feet have been turned hither to join in the sacrifice of thanksgiving that can best express their gladness.

Those also are about you whose pathway is tangled, perplexed and dark; what lies before them, what course to choose, they cannot tell; they have come to inquire of the Lord,—where else should they seek light and guidance but here?

Here are those who are struggling in the net of a habit that has bound

them so fast that by themselves they cannot get forth, and who seek the touch of the Divine Hand to break their bonds asunder; those who are fainting in the glow of a fierce temptation, and know that out of that furnace their souls can never come alive unless the Son of God walk with them in the midst of the fire.

And here also are those whose hearts bear the burdens of others,—the need, the sorrow, or the sin of some dear one—the unbelief of some noble soul whose strength is coveted for the Master's service,—the darkness and wretchedness and guilt of a city, a nation, a world redeemed, but not yet made perfect in holiness.

Such is the group that kneel here in this sacred quiet to confess their unworthiness, emptiness, helplessness and need. To them the word of absolution and peace is spoken; for them the feast is spread and the sacrifice set forth in the holy mysteries.

Here they find all that they seek, in the Sacrament that assures them of their oneness with the Lord; here is strength for the weak, comfort for the sorrowful, light and guidance for the perplexed, shelter and peace for the storm-tossed.

To those who go home thus refreshed and strengthened by the Body and Blood of their Divine Lord, how strange would seem the uncomprehending cry: "O, I do not feel good enough to make those frequent communions—I shouldn't dare to go—one cannot be expected to live on this plane."

As well might one say, "I am weak and run down, I could not take food frequently." Such an utterance is that of a soul too near spiritual starvation to have left in it any wholesome longing for the Bread of Life or the Cup of Salvation. Let it rather draw near, eat and live, and gather strength and grace for every need. "O taste and see that the Lord is good." So shall renewed desire for the blessed comfort of those gracious mysteries be ours.

C. M. P.

Church Periodical Club

The following is an extract from a letter received from the recipient of one of the periodicals now being sent; it speaks for itself of the benefits of this great work:

The President of Margaret College in Kentucky writes:

"Certainly, I for one, do appreciate the work of your society. It has meant a great deal to us here in College; it has meant a great deal to our school in Corbin; it has meant a great deal to our mountain missionaries. I do not think we can overestimate the value and importance of the work of distributing papers, magazines and books to those who otherwise might not have the opportunity of getting hold of them. It is always the little things that accomplish the big things in life. The sources of inspiration which lead to higher living, are nearly always obscure. They are hidden in the bosoms of those who alone know. Very seldom are they revealed. So much of the work that your society does cannot in the very nature of things make a showing where it may be seen of men. But it isn't any less effective for that reason. From my own limited experience I can testify that your work has led to the salvation of souls and has been blessed of God. And so I congratulate the C. P. C.

"It takes faith to be a zealous worker in the C. P. C., simply because in the very nature of things one sees so little of the results accomplished. Probably 95 per cent. of the good you do is never revealed. But that it is nevertheless accomplished we believe from the fruit that is manifested to those who are on the field and see from time to time the out-cropping."

When we are asked to be Confirmed we are not asked chiefly to give up something, or to believe something, or profess something, but the great demand is that we shall be something, and do something to show what we are and make ourselves be that more completely.

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Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Keith R. Rodney (1912)
J. I. Morrison (1913)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Sunday School Teachers Meeting—Second Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

- 1st. Rental of Pews.
- 2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for April

April 5th—Sunday next before Easter
(Palm Sunday).
April 6th—Monday before Easter
April 7th—Tuesday before Easter
April 8th—Wednesday before Easter
April 9th—Thursday before Easter
(Maundy Thursday).
April 10th—Good Friday
April 11th—Easter Even
April 12th—**Easter Day**
April 13th—Monday in Easter Week
April 14th—Tuesday in Easter Week
April 19th—First Sunday after Easter
April 25th—S. Mark
April 26th—Second Sunday after Easter.

At the last regular meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church the following gentlemen were elected to fill vacancies in the Vestry:

Alexander R. Cheston
Edward Bains

Easter Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials to the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the Chancel on Easter in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday noon.

Names of senders are requested to be attached. Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may send the same either to the Rector or to Mrs. H. R. Baremore, Cliveden Ave. and Jefferson St. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials will be placed on the altar.

Contributions are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.

The Mothers Meeting

As the account of the annual dinner did not reach the printer in time for the previous issue of the "Chimes," we take this opportunity to say that it was a success and that there were eighteen Mothers seated at the table to enjoy the good things provided by the generosity of our kind friends.

Miss Collison and John Arndt kindly furnished the music for the feast.

At present we are having read aloud to us Pollyanna, the glad Book, and are thoroughly enjoying its quaint humor.

Orders are still being filled for rugs, towels and aprons and we urge our interested friends in the Parish to give us their orders for these useful articles that we may have as large an Easter Offering as possible.

A. M. M.

Boys' Brigade

Company No. 11, First Penna. Regiment, of the United Boys' Brigade of America.

Object:

To extend the spirit of Christian boyhood, to teach patriotism and good citizenship; to foster and stimulate courage, honor, self-reliance, and hardiness, through military drill and training.

It meets every Friday night at 7.45 o'clock in the Parish House. Any boy at least 12 years of age shall be eligible for membership.

We need uniforms. They cost \$5.00 each. Every boy has been urged to hustle about, and make an earnest effort to raise \$2.50 each or half the cost of a uniform. Some have done so, no doubt others will. After sent we will all work hard and endeavor to raise a sum large enough to cover the cost of the uniforms and other things urgently needed for the life of the Brigade.

The Boys' Brigade is trying to solve the boy problem of the Parish. Two things are needed:

(1) More boys.

(2) What is sadly lacking—the interest of the Parishioners of Christ Church.

If there is a person who does not believe in the Brigade he is cordially invited to attend a meeting on Friday night, and we guarantee that if you are not no winterested in the moral and spiritual welfare of the youth of Germantown you will be before you leave.

H. S. R.

New Charter and By-Laws for Christ Church

The Charter of Christ Church was granted in 1853 and until the present time has not been amended in any particular.

It now seems desirable to the Vestry to amend the Charter so as to permit such persons as contribute to the support of the Church through the envelope system, to have a voice in the selection of the Vestry—a privilege which has heretofore been confined solely to those renting pews or sittings.

While it is desirable that all regular worshippers should rent a pew or sitting it is apparent that for various reasons some do not find it convenient to do so, and when such persons contribute regularly to the support of the Church they are entitled to a voice in its management.

The Vestry therefore, with the consent of the Diocesan Convention, have applied to the Court for privilege to amend the Charter and we are assured that this permission will be granted by the Court on March 30th, so that the Easter Monday Election for Vestrymen will be held under the amended Charter.

The amended article follows:

Article 6

"The Vestry shall consist of twelve men, to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide; **and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for and towards its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting during the said period.** Said Vestrymen shall be elected to serve for the following terms: at the election next to be held after the adoption hereof four thereof shall

be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1915, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1916, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1917, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and at each annual election thereafter four vestrymen shall be elected to serve until the third Easter Monday thereafter and until their successors have been elected. The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any vestrymen."

It will be noticed that women as well as men are entitled to vote.

It was thought best to extend the privilege of voting only to those whose annual contribution to the support of the Church amounted to, at least, ten dollars either in envelope contribution or in pew rent, (which is equivalent to less than twenty cents a Sunday or three cents a day), this annual contribution or payment having been made for at least two years prior to the election at which the vote is offered.

It was also decided to arrange for the annual election of four vestrymen to serve for three years, thereby giving more stability to the body and complying with the almost universal practice among churches of our communion.

At the election to be held on Easter Monday next twelve vestrymen will be elected, four to serve for three years, four for two years and four for one year. Hereafter at the Easter Monday Elections four vestrymen will be elected annually to serve for three years.

In order that the congregation may be fully posted in regard to the candidates for election to the Vestry the following by-law was adopted:

(By-Law I. Section 8

"Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding

annual election, all such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the Southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate."

This will take effect at the same time as the Amendment to the Charter, so that candidates for the next Easter Monday Election for Vestrymen must be nominated in accordance with its provisions.

Francis B. Faulkner,
Secretary of the Vestry

Women's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting in the Parish House on Thursday, March the fifth, at 10.00 o'clock.

There were about ten present to listen to one of the most appealing talks by Mr. Thurber, a young man who has given up his whole time and attention to a work among a class of Virginia Mountaineers, living for ages in the fastnesses of the Appalachian range, only a few miles from the White Sulphur Springs where fashion and wealth have gathered year after year, and yet these people, especially the young generation growing up do not know the name of Washington or have an idea of the appearance of the American flag and alas; worse than all this never heard the Gospel of Christ. The laws of Virginia do not reach them from a point of education, nor do they seem equal to taking care of them from a social or moral standpoint, so this young man, with the aid of an elderly woman and her sister are striving to build up a plant there for the moral and religious uplift of the boys, who seem to be the most neglected.

Of course he wanted assistance; money to enlarge their tiny quarters, and the power to bring more boys into the fold and make good men for future citizens.

The Auxiliary immediately went to work to try and raise even a small amount to help along so splendid a cause, championed by so earnest and spiritual a leader as Mr. Thurber.

The Auxiliary is not encouraged by large numbers as it was last year, yet the promises made must be kept, thus letting the great work and responsibility fall upon a few. Does this seem fair to throw your duty, dear parishioner, on your more faithful neighbor?

The Society meets and will meet every Thursday morning at ten o'clock make an extra effort to join the workers. You will find a hearty welcome awaiting you.

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Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Junior Chapter No. 575

Meetings in April:

Tuesday, April 14 and 28 at 7.45 P. M.

Corporate Communion, Sunday, April 19, at 7.30 A. M.

Members of the Chapter have been doing good work in a quiet way. We have good material and enthusiasm, which are requisite for a live chapter.

There are several other fellows in the Parish over 14 years who should be doing the work of the Brotherhood. They had better give this matter serious thought.

There are two Rules:

(1) The Rule of Prayer i. e. to pray daily for the spread of Christ's kingdom among boys.

(2) To try each week to bring someone nearer to Christ through His Church.

After the business meetings the fellows make use of the "gym."

Boys 14 years and over think this over.

H. S. R.

Christ Church Club

As the club meets but once a month the Lenten work is of a different character than that of most of the societies of the Parish. For several years past the club has sent \$10.00 to Bishop Scadding, of Oregon. This amount is

given by the members of the club and is sufficient to keep open for one year one of the silent Churches of Oregon. The churches were built some time ago but the amount of appropriation made it impossible for all to remain open for service.

The club has also been taking an interest in a certain poor family and food, coal and articles of clothing have been sent to them.

Miss Marguerite Brooks has returned to our ranks and was warmly welcomed by the members.

O. G. K.

A Special Missionary Service

The Germantown and Chestnut Hill branches of the Woman's Auxiliary will hold a service, for the New China Fund, in Christ Church on Wednesday, April 22, 1914 at 10.30 A. M. It is hoped that the Bishop will be with us at this service. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion and an address by the Rev. Arthur M. Sherman, formerly of China, now in charge of the New China Fund.

As the Lenten Classes have been studying "The Emergency in China," this service should be a fitting close of the year's work.

Those of us who have read Mr. Sherman's interesting articles on China in the "Spirit of Missions," will be glad to hear his address upon a subject on which he is so well informed.

The New China Fund is being formed to meet the changed state of affairs brought about by the recent Revolution; in other words; to assist our Missionaries in "The Emergency in China."

It is hoped that Christ Church will be well represented at this service.

A. M. M.

Junior Auxiliary

Owing to the bad weather we have been having lately there has not been a very large attendance at the meetings of the Junior Auxiliary.

We have a new treasurer, Miss Grace Gerhard, as our last one cannot be with us any more.

We are working hard to have our sewing ready for the Spring Box.

M. H.

Choir Notes

On Good Friday evening, April 10, at 8.00 o'clock Christ Church Choir, combined with St. Thomas' Choir of Whitmarsh, will sing "Olivet to Calvary," by J. H. Maunder, under the direction of Edward R. Miles, Choirmaster and Miss Emily L. Collison, Organist.

The Solo and Quartette parts will be sustained by Miss Florence A. Ziegler Soprano, Miss Alice Burnley, Alto; Dr. J. C. Courtney, Tenor and Mr. Warren Lightcap, Basso.

The Easter music will be as follows: Processional Hymn, 112

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"
Christ our Passover - - Chapple
Te Deum Laudamus - Florian Shaffter
Jubilate Deo - - - Henry Smart
Introit Hymn, 116

"Angels Roll the Rock Away"
Kyrie - - - - J. B. Calpin
Gloria Tibi - - - J. B. Calkin
Office Hymn, 115

"The Day of Resurrection"
Offertory Anthem—God hath appointed a Day - Berthold Tour
Sursum Corda - - J. B. Calkin
Sanctus - - - - J. B. Calkin
Communion Hymn
Gloria in Excelsis - J. B. Calkin
Retrocessional Hymn, 120

"The Strife is O'er"

Evening Carol Service

Processional—Christ is Risen
Carol—Ye Happy Bells of Easter Day
Hymn—Welcome Happy Morning
Carol—He lives for Evermore.
Carol—Praise Ye
Retrocessional—"Jesus Christ is Ris'n To-day."

The Easter music will be repeated on April 19th including the following evening service:

Magnificat - - - Henry Smart
Nunc Dimittis - - - Henry Smart
Offertory Anthem—Now is Christ
Risen - - - - John E. West
E. R. M.

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Mrs. Samuel Jackson

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This brings the total list of subscribers up to 96. This is a splendid showing but hardly enough to guarantee the publishing of the paper for the entire year. As usual at this season the editors are facing a deficit and there are several numbers still to be issued. Parishioners who have not sent in subscriptions should do so at once and any contributions toward the maintenance of the paper will be greatly appreciated. Subscriptions and contributions should be sent to the Rector or to the Business Editor, S. V. Wilcox, 82 W. Johnson St.

Confirmation and Communicants' Service

The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, will confirm in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 9th at eight o'clock.

His address will be, especially to Communicants, preparing them for the Easter Communion. **Every communicant member** of Christ Church Parish should be present at this service. It will be a privilege, which no communicant can afford to miss, to receive preparation for the Holy Communion from so spiritually minded a man as Bishop Rhinelander.

It is hoped that **every communicant** will avail himself of this privilege. It is hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church Parish will be absent on Maundy Thursday evening.

Daughters of the King

Although we have been somewhat handicapped by the illness of our Vice President, Mrs. Arndt, we have held our regular meetings. There were 4 of the members at the local Assembly on the 17th of February, held in the city at St. Simeon's Church. Mrs. Arndt was missed very much at the meeting, as Diocesan President and presiding officer.

We are now doing some Lenten Sewing and hope to have Mrs. Arndt at our next meeting, and hope to have some new members to welcome her.

E. L. M.

The Guild Choir has added its help to the Lenten services and despite the unusually unclement weather during the first half of the Lenten season has missed but two services and are also taking the alternate Wednesday evening service in order to help out the regular choir who are working very hard over their Easter music.

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The Church of the Sacraments

It is a characteristic feature of the Episcopal Church that she is the "Church of the Sacraments." Other Christian bodies believe in and use them, but they do not lay as much emphasis upon them as this Church does. They have no Sacramental system. In the Church, the Clergy in their sermons are constantly instructing, counselling and pleading for their faithful use. They estimate the spiritual progress of their Parishes in the number of Baptisms, the number admitted to the Holy Communion by Confirmation, and the total number of persons who faithfully and frequently commune. The first thing that attracts the eye as one enters one of our church buildings is the altar, not, as among other Christian bodies, a pulpit. The font stands where it ever invites attendants to come to Baptism, and is a constant reminder of the vows already resting on those who have felt its water on their foreheads.

We believe in the Sacraments—those outward, visible signs of an inward, spiritual grace; bonds of fellowship, tokens of a covenant, signs of a close and intimate union between each soul and its Saviour—Sacraments that are full of the power of life because they are full of Christ.

The following article is from the pen of the late Bishop Thompson:

"Man himself, in this world, is a sort of Sacrament—an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace." A spirit clothed in matter his spirit must be reached through matter. He must be approached through fleshy doors. Spiritual powers, to tell upon him, must come clothed. The very articulate bonds by which he expresses his spiritual ideas are a kind of universal Sacrament, The written page, or the printed one, where black lines and letters clothe his thought, is the same. All the powers of the great unseen world of spirits that spreads away around him, reveal themselves to him in some tangible coverings. So only can these powers affect him. God himself, when revealing purely spiritual truth, submits to the necessity of His creature, and makes the relation in His creature's speech or writing. But, for the necessities of man, the Sacrament of speech is not enough. He cannot express the highest and even the best of human ideas by speech alone. He forms for those ideas the signs and symbols of some expressive acts; or he adopts some emblem, more eloquent in its silence than any words. Friend meets friend after a long absence. There are words enough by which to

express gladness and sympathy and good wishes. But will mere words content them? Do we not know that in such an hour words utterly fail? The emotions of the heart demand a sign, and we have made it. The Sacrament of the clasped hands (we speak it reverently) is the only thing that can begin to express the thought. Or, the father meets a returned son. Will words satisfy to express his emotions? The hands laid in blessing upon bowed head can alone fitly symbolize parental love. The heart demands the outward sign of the inward feeling, and the tongue is dumb perforce.

So, among ourselves, we have made these human Sacraments signs and embodiments of human feelings for human good. We have clothed the expression of all our loves in signs. Language fails man again and again. it will not embody his idea; it will not express his love; it will not reveal his sentiment. He flies to symbols then; he creates outward signs of great inward realities. He does not demand very costly elements either for these signs. The most common thing will answer. The more common, generally, the better. The sign should have the least value, that the mind may remain undisturbed in contemplating the thing signified. He takes a poor cheap rag. He colors it with cheap color. He puts it on a pole. He makes it the symbol of his patriotism. It means love of country. It means loyalty, honor. He follows it through the storm of battle. He charges up heights, slippery with blood, where it leads the way. He staggers with it through the pelting hail of rifle shots, and falls with it, clasping it in his arms in death, dying to save it from dishonor. Does he die for the rag upon the pole? According to what one often hears talked about the Sacrament, he does. But we know that he does not. The flag is (reverently we say it) the nation's Sacrament. It stands for all the loves and thoughts and feelings that cluster about the mother-land. He bravely dies for the great unseen realities that flag expresses.

"No, the matter of our human Sacraments may be very mean. It may be very cheap to the thoughtless or the stranger. It may be some worn-out old ring, never shown to common eyes. Common eyes would see no value in it. A dollar would buy a better, it is so worn and tarnished. But it is lost one day. The owner offers a great reward. Among all the jeweller's cunning skill there is nothing so valued as that old old ring. It is the sign and symbol of a great reality to him who prized it so greatly—the Sacrament of some friendship or some love that blessed his life with a great blessing long ago.

The mother keeps among her hidden treasures some remembrance of a dear child transplanted into Paradise. How many mothers do, for Rachel still is weeping for her children. It is only a tattered little dress, a small shoe, may be, with the impress of the little feet, that ceased to patter in the upper rooms long since, upon it yet. It is a thing utterly valueless in your eyes or mine, but gold cannot buy it from her. There is a quick convulsive moment as she grasps it, and another tear that stains it as she reverently lays it back again—her little Sacrament of maternal love—and murmurs. "It was my darling child's."

No, words cannot measure human thought or human feeling. Man for ever insists on creating Sacraments. He stands dumb till the eloquence of the symbol speaks his heart out and stirs the hearts of others.

So, we say, if God gives us a religion, it will surely be a Sacramental religion, because he knows man's needs. So Christianity has its Sacraments, where the thing that is visible to the eye is common and plain; where the thing invisible is the priceless gift of God. God clothes His unseen blessings in these signs. Words cannot express His love, His pity, His grace to the soul of man. So, for man's good, He adopts man's other speech and conveys the mercies of His measureless goodness by Sacramental sign.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

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Kalendar for June

June 1st—Whitsun—Monday
June 2nd—Whitsun—Tuesday
June 3rd—Ember Day
June 5th—Ember Day
June 6th—Ember Day
June 7th—Trinity Sunday
June 11th—S. Barnabas
June 14th—First Sunday after Trinity
June 21st—2nd Sunday after Trinity
June 24th—Nativity S. John Baptist
June 28th—3rd Sunday after Trinity
June 29th—S. Peter

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Whit-Sunday

The last Sunday in May, being Whitsunday, one of the great feasts of the church year, the noonday service will consist of the Celebration of the Holy Communion. There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion

on Whitsun-Monday and Whitsun-Tuesday at half past nine o'clock.

The Church will be open all day on the Ember Days in Whitsun-week, June 3rd, 5th, and 6th for special prayer and intercession on behalf of those who are to be ordained to the Ministry of the Church.

Leaflets, with special prayers for the Church and the Ministry, will be found in the vestibules.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Junior Chapter No. 575

Meetings in May:

Tuesday, May 12 and 26 at 7.45 P. M.

There are quite a number of small improvements to be made in and about the Parish. These the boys have enthusiastically undertaken to accomplish. The members of the Chapter have started to fix up the Church tennis courts, and hope to have them in a fairly good condition in the near future.

The Chapter will be glad to receive suggestions.

D. B. C.

Some Things Needed

Will not some person or persons give or raise about \$100.00 for an electric Vacuum cleaner for the church? This is very much needed and will be a great aid in keeping the interior of the Church in a clean condition. The Property Committee will welcome any suggestions or help towards acquiring it.

The Property Committee would like to plant trees along the McCallum Street side of the Church property and also on Tulpehocken Street. This will cost about \$75.00 and is an opportunity for some person to do much to beautify the Church property. Further particulars may be had by applying to the chairman,

Keith R. Rodney
53 W. Tulpehocken St.

Daughters of the King

The Lenten work undertaken by the Daughters of the King this year was for the Inasmuch Mission. Twelve garments were made for the men.

The regular meetings have been held—one business and one devotional meeting a month, as well as the special meetings. Twenty-six visits were reported. On May 4th our chapter accepted an invitation from St. Barnabas chapter, and enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

On May 12th the Local Assembly meeting of the Diocese was held at St. Andrew's Church, 8th and Spruce Sts. The afternoon was given to hearing the reports of the chapters for the past year. In the evening we held our usual service when we were privileged to have as preacher the Rev. Louis C. Washburn, D. D.

E. L. M.

A very interesting Men's meeting was held in the Parish House on Friday evening, May 8th, when an edifying address was given by Mr. B. J. Doyle on "Religion in Business and Business in Religion." Addresses were also made by Messrs R. H. Morris, Jonas Westling, H. W. Amerling, L. H. Schaeffer, Keith R. Rodney and the Rector. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Alexander R. Cheston. After the addresses, refreshments and cigars were served by a Committee of ladies to whom a vote of thanks was given for kindness and hospitality. Members of the Choir furnished music for the occasion and hearty singing on the part of all present made the occasion a very pleasant and enjoyable one. The Committee on arrangements consisted of Messrs. Cheston, Cox and Lawrence.

Mr. O. N. Middleton was elected President of the Club and Mr. C. H. Jackson, Vice President, for the ensuing year. The club adjourned to meet on Friday evening, October 9th, when an interesting program will be arranged and all men in the Parish are cordially invited to be present. Don't forget the date, Friday evening, October 9th.

The Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary held its last meeting of the season on May 8th. We have been making garments for the Indian babies in the Cheyenne River District and included in our work baptismal outfits. We have packed our box which contains a very choice lot this season.

M. H.

The Mothers' Meeting

After working since last November, we were able to present an offering of thirty-five dollars at Easter. Half of this was given for the expenses of the Parish and half was for our Missionary Apportionment. While this was not so large an offering as the previous year, it must be remembered that we gave ten dollars for materials for the Bazaar, and that all our work until November, was done for the Bazaar.

Next November, and each ensuing Autumn, we shall hold a sale of aprons, dish and roller towels, rag rugs, iron holders and useful household necessities. We hope that our friends will just bear this in mind, and when replenishing their stock in the Autumn, will wait for the Mothers' Meeting Sale.

We have finished reading the delightful story "Pollyanna" and can heartily recommend it to our friends.

The last meeting for the season of 1913-14 will held the second week in May at the home of Directress Mrs. Morrison and it is hoped that every member will be there. Cards announcing the exact date will be mailed later.

The Duplex Envelope System and the Every Member Canvas

There has been so much written and spoken of late about the advantages derived from the proper development of the duplex envelope system that any more talk on this subject seems more than superfluous. So I am not going to bore anyone with any more arguments in favor of the system, or indulge in plagiarism for I believe no original arguments could be coined, so thoroughly has the matter been thrashed out. But to my mind the most complete and convincing argument in favor of the

plan is the make up of the committee who volunteered to do the necessary canvassing, and the enthusiasm with which they have pressed their work.

These twenty-two men are all active business men who have seen what advantages should accrue from such a canvas, and have done their part thoroughly. The result should be an ample income for all parochial expenses and besides the reasonable amount asked of us by the Board of Missions for the purpose of extending the word of God at home and abroad. Persons who have not yet responded by subscribing through the envelope system are cordially invited to procure pledge cards, which may be had in the vestibules of the church, and indicate the amounts they are willing to give, and place the cards on the plate at a Sunday service or mail same to the Rector.

K. R. R.

Women's Auxiliary

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church was held on Thursday, May the 7th at 10 o'clock in the Parish House.

The principal business of the meeting was to distribute the money among the various diocesan committees and to arrange a time in the near future to pack the boxes, the results of the winter's work.

The great discouragement of the winter has been the very small attendance at our meetings which of course is a lack of interest or seemingly so.

The discussion arose as to how to avoid a similar condition next season. The chairman, Mrs. Morrison, suggested that an awakening might be brought about by personal visits; that the only way to know people was to know them in their homes. All summer is before us to think out some effective plans for a successful winter, suggestions of any kind are most desirable.

With all our lack of helpers we are able to send away an outfit for the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota, and clothing of all kinds for men, women and children for the Appalachian Industrial School at Penland, North Carolina.

L. J.

Memorial Flowers

Flowers on the Altar during the months of May and June will be in loving memory of the following persons:

First Sunday in May—Benjamin Allen
Second Sunday in May—Unappropriated.

Third Sunday—Mrs. James Y. Humphrey

Fourth Sunday—Mrs. Scatchard
First Sunday in June—Mrs. George Warr, Louis Briggs

Second Sunday—Miss Gomersall,

Edward Forrest Kamerly, Jr.
Third Sunday—Mrs. James Y. Humphrey

Fourth Sunday—Unappropriated

Mrs. Elizabeth Jeffries

On Sunday afternoon, March 22nd, the one hundred and first anniversary of her birth, God called to Himself the soul of Mrs. Elizabeth Jeffries, widow of Edwin Jeffries, a former Accounting Warden and for twenty five years a vestryman of Christ Church. She was a woman of remarkable physical and mental activity, interested in many charities and always abounding in good works. Like God's prophet of old, to the day of her death, "her eye was not dim nor her natural force abated." Whilst, in her last will and testament, she generously remembered many Christian Institutions and charities, she did not wait until after her death to bestow her benefactions on others but during her life she was generous in her gifts, kind to the poor, thoughtful of those in need and loyal in the support of her Church and missions.

Though she is taken away from earth, by her generous provisions for hospitals, institutions for the poor, missions of the Church and her own Parish Church, of which she was for many years a devoted member, her memory lives on and her good deeds continue, blessing others and bringing nearer to earth the Kingdom of Heaven.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Mrs. Jeffries Will

By the Will of Mrs. Elizabeth B. Jeffries a bequest of \$30,000 was made to Trustees, to be known as the Edwin Jeffries Fund," as a memorial to the husband of the testatrix, who was for many years a communicant in, and Vestryman of the Church.

The terms of the trust are that the Trustees shall "securely invest the fund and expend only the income arising therefrom toward the support and maintenance of the said Church," and by a Codicil to the Will the testatrix directs that "out of the income * * * the chime of bells shall be kept in good repair, be insured and properly rung."

A number of questions have been asked by parishioners respecting the legacy among them. "The time when it will become applicable; the purpose for which it may be used and the amount of income which it will produce."

The legacy will not be payable until the expiration of one year from the death of the testatrix, and during that year no income will accrue to the Church. Only at the expiration of the year, upon the filing of the account by the Executors, will the amount of the legacy be awarded to the Trustees, who must then invest it so as to produce an income. The investments would probably produce no income until the expiration of six months after they were made, so that the Church will not be particularly benefitted by the legacy for about a year and a half at least, and will probably not be in receipt of income upon the entire fund for about two years.

The only restriction upon the use of the income is that out of it shall be paid the cost of the maintenance, insurance and ringing of the bells, an expenditure which the testatrix bore in her lifetime. The balance of the income will be generally applicable to the support and maintenance of the Church.

The collateral inheritance tax upon this legacy is directed to be paid out of the estate. The Trustees will, therefore, receive the full legacy of \$30,000, which should produce after the pay-

ment of the expenses of the trust about \$1400 per annum payable to the Church.

From the above statement it will readily be seen that for a year and a half at least the financing of the Church must be conducted upon the same basis as though no legacy had been given. In fact the Church will be deprived of the generous and helpful contributions to its support, which the testatrix so freely made in her lifetime, and must, until the receipt of income from the legacy, pay out of its current funds for the maintenance, insurance and ringing of the bells.

The yield of the legacy to the Church over and above pew rent and contributions of the testatrix toward the support of the parish and the ringing of the bells, will probably be about \$600. In other words, there will result from this legacy when it is finally invested an increase in the income of the parish (upon its present basis) of about \$600 per annum.

Easter Offering

The offering on Easter Day amounted to \$1350.00. Considering that several large amounts of previous years were not received this Easter, the offering is an exceedingly generous one, coming as it did, from a large number of persons in the parish who gave most liberally according to their ability. It goes to show that by far the larger number of members of Christ Church are most generous and conscientious supporters of the Church and its missions. Each year the giving is becoming more and more general in its scope and now includes almost every member of the Parish. It is gratifying to note the marked increase of the spirit of Christian generosity and the rapidly lessening numbers who are not meeting their personal responsibilities and sharing in the glorious privilege of helping — according as God has blessed each one—in the spread of the Kingdom of God. May God speed the day when the word that our Lord said to the faithful woman, may be said unto each one of us, "she has done what she could."

Parish Register

Since the last report in the "Chimes" the following baptism, marriages and burials have been recorded:

BAPTISMS

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. Amen.

Jan. 3—Earl Boaz Schaefer
Jan 6—James Sydney Owens
Jan. 16—John Rodgers
Jan. 16—Elizabeth Anderson Rodgers
Feb. 8—Gordon Gravenstine
Feb. 23—Robert Lewis Briggs
March 6—Bradford Pierce Lippincott
April 7—Donaldson Beale Cooper
April 11—Andrew Johnson Logan
April 11—Howard William Logan
April 11—Helen Irene Logan
April 11—Paul Julius Strassburger, Jr.
April 11—Beatrice Morgan Graham
April 11—Philip Justice Taylor
April 11—Ella Norborn Simpson
April 11—Lillian Hoell

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder."
Feb. 16—John F. Keine and Eleanor Coffey.
April 29—Harry B. Hammond and Harriet Whitley
April 29—Robert Hance Childs and Grace Irene Wismer

BURIALS

Jan. 21—Elizabeth Anderson Rodgers
Feb. 17—Henry S. Stokes
Feb. 21—Harry H. Johnstone
Feb. 25—William O'Connor
Feb. 25—James Moynahan
March 21—Neville Burgoyne Craig, 3d
March 28—William Russell Swift
March 28—Aubrey Evan Archer
April 2—Elizabeth B. Jeffries
April 11—Lemuel Howell Davis
April 29—Edwin D. Tullis
May 1—Mary Roop
May 4—Annie Brooker

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confirmation Class

Twenty-five persons (twelve females and thirteen males) were confirmed in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 9th. After the confirmation and address to the members of the class, the Bishop conducted a Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion. It was a most helpful and inspiring service and was greatly appreciated by all who had the privilege of attending. It is hoped that the Bishop will be able to repeat this service on the same evening next Lent.

The following are the names of those confirmed:

Walter Lawrence Abrams, Jr.
 Alice Adkins
 William Stevens Brogden
 Dorothy Abbott Burgess
 Alice Burnley
 Philip David Cannon
 Edward Case, Jr.
 Donaldson Beale Cooper
 Edward Scranton Gillette
 Charles Mervin Graham
 John Henry Gravenstine
 Irene Hedelt
 Marjorie Bessie Howell
 Mary Kirk
 Julia Maude Lincoln
 Richard Henry Morris, 3rd
 Margaret Morris
 Dorothy Elizabeth Roberts
 Kober Wager Sands
 Deretta Sands
 William Charles Schaefer
 Earl Boaz Schaefer
 Mary Emla Taylor
 Mary Gertrude Wells (Mrs.)
 George Earl Wiltbank

Sunday School

The attendance during the first quarter of this year has been fairly regular and satisfactory, quite a number of our members having made a perfect record.

The following have not missed a single Sunday in the months of January, February, and March: Marjorie Wismer, Dorothy Brown, Walter Robinson, Sarah Hatch, Gertrude B. Feist, Emma Mogridge, Paul Wagenseller, Frederick H. Belfield, David Arndt, Dorothy Murray, Anna MacNaughton, Howard N. Feist, Philip Cannon, Mabel Reid, Florence E.

Why, Harold Williams, Elizabeth Connor, Marjorie Howell, John F. Arndt, Mildred G. Adams, Kathryn P. Broker, Beatrice M. Eichele, Dorothy MacNaughton, Sarah Connor, Mary Esola, Herbert Brown, Daniel MacNaughton, Margaret Brown, Colonel Sheldon Potter, Mr. Edward Bains, Mrs. Herbert Adkins, Miss Elizabeth Barrett, Mr. Charles H. Jackson, Mr. George T. Morgan, Mr. Oscar N. Middleton, Mr. Edw. R. Miles and Mr. C. L. Hayhurst.

Those who have missed but one Sunday during the quarter are: Helen Williams, Louise Wells, Jennie May Heaton, Louise Esola, Marian Feist, Anne Wertsner, Henry Ritter, Herbert Feist, Frank Ellis, Joseph Walter Brown, Walter Abrams, Dorris Bland, Marie Warrick, George Bland, Robert Carmint, Maude M. Thompson, Mary Ritter, Dorothy Warrick, Katherine Wertsner, Robert Arndt, William Norton Johnson, Harry Upton, Mrs. Anna Cook, Mrs. Elizabeth Baisbrown, Mrs. Schneider, Mrs. Charles Heyer, Miss Frances O'Brien, Miss Edith Quay and Miss Olive K. Kirkland.

The following teachers have had "Star" classes, that is every member of the class present, as many Sundays during the quarter as the number set beside their names in this list:

Miss Kirkland—8
 Mr. Morris—7
 Mrs. Lawrence—5
 Miss Quay—5
 Mr. Rowley—4
 Mrs. Dayton—4
 Miss Feist—4
 Mr. Bains—3
 Mr. Baker—3
 Mrs. Reaver—2
 Mrs. Dowling—2
 Miss Care—2
 Mrs. Adkins—1
 Mr. Wilcox—1

At the Easter Festival Service the following scholars were promoted from the Primary School to the Intermediate Department:—Ruth Miles, Gertrude Brooker, Constance Van Dusen, Katherine Wertsner, Marie Taylor, Margaret Brown, Mary Esola and Elsie Wells. Dorris Bland was promoted from the Intermediate to the Main School.

C. L. H.

My dear Editor:

Whatever our shortcomings as a school—we certainly do respond loyally to any meritorious appeal. When Mr. Morgan asked that we give one Sunday offering to the "Saturday Outings for Poor Children," we hoped we might respond with sufficient for one car load (100 children).

Instead of the \$13.00 expected for one car load, I am much pleased to report \$26.00 as the offering of our School and I know every member will rejoice that by our united efforts, two hundred little "Poor Children" of our city, will be made happy in The Park, for at least one day. I have just received the official notice from Mr. Geo. W. Jacobs, Treasurer, that our Lenten offering of \$125.77 had been duly and thankfully received.

If all our efforts for the increase of knowledge of our Risen Lord and Saviour and the spread of His kingdom, were as enthusiastic and consistent as our giving, what an influence in this community we should be.

O. N. M.

Boys' Brigade

A sham battle and parade were the two events which marked the progress of the Company during the past month. It is rumored that Christ Church Company made the best showing while on parade. This speaks well for both officers and privates. Second Lt. Else has officially become connected with the Company, having been appointed by 1st Lt. Williams.

Sunday evening, May 31st, will be Boys' night at Christ Church. The Company together with others will assemble in uniform to attend this service. A strenuous effort should be made by every member to bring at least another boy. The address will be delivered by the Rev. John A. Carr, of St. James' Church, Bristol, Pa.

A fair will be held by the boys early in June, the proceeds will be used in furthering the Company's work.

The Brigade has proved its usefulness, and is here to stay. If parents and parishioners will co-operate with the Company it will prove a blessing

not only to the members and parish but also to the community at large.

P. F. W.

Special Service for Boys and Young Men

A special service for boys and young men, under the auspices of the Company of Boys' Brigade of Christ Church will be held in the Church on Sunday evening, May 31st. The members of the Brigade are requested to appear in uniform at the Parish House at 7.30 sharp and be ready to march into the church in a body at 7.40. The service will begin at 7.45. It is expected that Christ Church Company will be joined by other Companies of the Brigade in Germantown.

A cordial invitation is extended to all men and boys in the vicinity to attend this service on Sunday evening, May 31st. The Rector has invited the Rev. John A. Carr, Rector of St. James' Church, Bristol, to deliver the address.

On Friday evening, May 8th the members of the Choir were hospitably entertained in the Parish House by Colonel and Mrs. Potter. The evening was spent in a most delightful manner and after the refreshments were served all who shared in the pleasure of the evening voted to Colonel and Mrs. Potter a sincere appreciation of their kindness.

The Embroidery Guild which meets weekly, held its last meeting for the season on Monday, May 11th.

The Guild was started at the beginning of the year by Miss Bessie D. Chase. Any member of the congregation who could embroider was invited to join. Only about half a dozen responded, but they have every reason to feel encouraged and justly proud of the work accomplished. A Burse and Veil presented by Mrs. J. H. Graeff, as a memorial, and a stole, the materials given by the Altar Guild and Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. Mogridge and Mrs. Topliffe Johnson. It is hoped when the Guild re-opens in the Fall there will be many others who will be willing to join, as the Church needs many more vestments than the few now belonging to the Guild are able to make.

Poor Children's Outing Fund

Following the custom of several years past an offering will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday, June 21st for the Poor Children's Outing Fund. This most worthy charity has always met with a sympathetic and generous response on the part of our people and of all who have at heart the interest of children, and it is hoped that the offering this year will be sufficient to send a large number of poor children from the hot city streets and courts and alleys—together with their tired mothers who need the change—into the country where they may enjoy its pure air and wholesome food for a week and sometimes longer.

It has been the Rector's custom to procure from societies, which work among the tenement regions of our city, the names of some of the poorest and most deserving children, whom he personally visits in their so-called "homes" and is thus enabled to meet many of these children and also their parents, to counsel them and, often times, to minister to them spiritually. This work is a most blessed privilege and its far-reaching results cannot be estimated. The good bestowed and the extent of the benefactions are limited only by the unworthiness of those of us who minister and the insufficiency of the means in hand.

The following personal letter from the Bedford Street Mission has just been received by the Rector. Similar letters are at hand from other charitable organizations in the city.

Bedford Street Mission,
619 Kater St., Phila.
May 14th, 1914

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
59 W. Tulpehocken St.
Germantown

Dear Friend:

The approach of summer sets us planning for our Fresh Air Work and naturally we wonder if our treasury will be equal to the demands that will surely be made upon it.

But why be anxious about funds?

Providence which has never failed us in the past will surely supply our needs in the future.

I want to thank you and express our appreciation of the generous help that

you have extended to us in the years gone by in this special department of our Mission.

As you are well aware, we take the puny ill-fed children from the alleys and tenements into some of which a ray of sunshine never enters and put them where they can revel in it to their hearts' content. We give them an abundance of wholesome food and comfortable, well ventilated sleeping rooms.

Can you imagine what it means to a child who generally satisfies its hunger with a slice of bread to sit down three times a day to a well-spread table and to get enough each time? They frequently reply when we ask them if they liked it out in the country: "Oh, it was fine and maybe the eats wasn't good!"

We do not limit the children to one week, but try to be guided by the needs of the case.

Last year, from one family whose home was one small room, we sent three brothers on opening day and kept them till camp closed.

From another, one boy was sent and from another two little girls were our guests the entire season.

All these were children of widows, one under treatment for lung trouble.

I'm sure that all the friends who made it possible for you to aid this work would be fully satisfied that their gifts had reached those for whom they were intended, could they peep into the dining rooms of our boys' camp and our girls' cottage at meal time.

I am sending you a few names of children whom I would like you to visit if possible for I know you like to see them in their own homes. The children and parents whom you visit are always glad to see you.

Yours truly,

Mary E. Boyd

Visitor Bedford Street Mission

Since our last report subscriptions for the "Chimes" have been received from the following: A. R. Cheston, H. H. Marot, H. R. Baremore, Mrs. J. E. Graeff, Mrs. Schneider, Joseph Fletcher, Mrs. Jacob Clark. Contributions have come from R. H. Morris, and Edward Bains.

Election of Vestrymen

The first election of vestrymen under the revised charter and by-laws of Christ Church was held on Easter Monday. It will be noticed in the report of the judges of election that, under the revised charter, three groups of Vestrymen were elected this year; four to serve for three years, two years and one year, respectively. The groups were formed according to the length of past terms of service on the Vestry. The following is the report of the judges appointed for the election:

We, the undersigned duly appointed to act as Judges of an Election held this day for twelve vestrymen of the Corporation known as "The Rector Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania," hereby certify that such an election was held this day between the hours of five and six o'clock, P. M., according to notice duly given; that we attended thereat; that we received and counted all the votes at said election duly offered, and that the following named persons were duly elected:

For Three Year Term
Sheldon Potter
William R. Pugh
William N. Johnson
Francis B. Falkner

For Two Year Term
J. M. Woodroffe
O. N. Middleton
Richard H. Morris
George T. Morgan

For One Year Term
Keith R. Rodney
J. I. Morrison
Edw. Bains
Alex. R. Cheston

Judges of Election,
Jonas Westling
F. M. Brigham
U. G. Rowley

At the meeting of the Vestry for Organization held April 13th, Mr. J. M. Woodroffe was named by the Rector as Rector's Warden, Mr. J. I.

Morrison was elected Accounting Warden and Francis B. Falkner, Secretary of the Vestry.

It was with great regret that the Vestry accepted the resignation of Mr. William R. Pugh as Accounting Warden. The following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved: That the thanks of the Vestry be tendered to Mr. W. R. Pugh for his faithful and conscientious service as Accounting Warden for so many years and that we hereby express our sincere regret that he feels it necessary to resign that position which he has so acceptably filled.

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CLERGY:

Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

CURATE

Parish Visitor, MRS. LAURA H. DAYTON

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
 { 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

Worship in Summer

Let us not forget in these beautiful summer days, when so many leave their city homes for the country or the mountain or the ocean shore—let us not forget in our life of free and easy abandon, that our Christian obligations rest upon us in summer quite as much as they do in winter. **Wherever Churchmen may be they will never forget that God and His worship come first—and all things else afterward.**

"Look through nature to nature's God." The Rector would commend these words of Pope's in his "Essay on man," to every one who will seek, during these coming months, to get away from the city life, for at least a few days and come in close touch with nature.

Bryant has told us that:

"To him who in the love of nature hold Communion with her visible form, she speaks a various language."

If we carry about with us the spirit-of Jesus Christ, which we receive by frequent and regular communions with Him,—as He has commanded us to do—we will be in God's presence and will see His face and will hear His voice wherever we are or go.

Our perception are opened to spiritual things and our temperament becomes more responsive to spiritual influence the more and more we come in communion with Christ. We may be in heaven here today, this hour, if we be in communion with Christ. We are in the spiritual, heavenly life now. We are dwelling in the body as an instrument through which the spirit must work in a physical world. We are of spirit, but embodied. Does not this realization invest this part of our life with a new dignity, as well as a new responsibility? This world, so far as it is anything, is a spiritual world now, though in a cruder and lower state of development than that which the spirit enters after leaving the body. But the forces that govern it are of the spirit, for there is no force but spirit. The life of vegetation is but the dawning of spiritual life. It is all under the great law of evolution.

To live truly and see clearly in this world of spiritual forces; to discern our appointed way and hearken to the divine voice that attends each one of us; to discover and to follow the divine ideal that is set before us is to attain success in life. This is the only true success. All else without its realization, is failure. It is failure to suppose that happiness is conditioned by possessions or surroundings. It is

failure to think that happiness is not to be attained here and now but to be postponed to some future life. The happiness of heaven begins here and now in Christ; and it will be continued hereafter in fuller and higher measure to those who enter into it now. "This is life eternal" says Christ, to **know Thee** the only God through Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." That means, that we are brought into a heavenly environment here and now and our heavenly happiness may begin here and now. The power is in ourselves, given to us by God; if we find Him not, if we hear Him not, the fault is our own, not God's. It should, therefore, be our effort to see in this beautiful world about us the goodness and the mercy of God; to feel that "in Him we live and move and have our being;" to live in touch with all this divine life that, once gained, offers to us that which eye has not seen nor mind conceived—the infinite wonder and beauty and joy of spirituality.

Only as life is held receptive to these divine influences does it become great; only as one lives in this atmosphere of spirituality does he enter into true happiness and joy.

Six months ago the Rector invited the Rev. H. S. Ruth to serve as curate until after the completion of his studies at the Philadelphia Divinity School, when, it was understood, his Bishop would expect him to return to his own diocese of Fon du Lac. During Mr. Ruth's short stay in this Parish he has made many friends and has done a good work among us. All his friends in Christ Church unite in wishing him God-speed in his new field of labor. The following letter from Mr. Ruth is handed to the Rector for publication in the "Chimes."

A few months ago you cordially welcomed the new Curate. "He was a stranger" and "you took him in." He

became one of you. He is no longer a stranger. You have become a part of him.

Truly sensible of the bigness and importance of the work in this portion of God's Church, yet he feels obliged to return to the Bishop to whom he first responded to the call to the ministry.

He has watered where others have planted, anticipating in God's good time the increase.

You have made his work pleasant by your thoughtfulness and consideration. Your hospitality has enriched his vision of parochial courtesy.

Indeed thankful God sent him to you, he gladly writes,

Affectionately yours,

Harry Stanley Ruth

Phillipians 1:3.

Poor Children's Outing Fund

The Rector wishes to thank the people of the Parish who have contributed so generously to the Poor Children's Outing Fund. The amount of contributions to date is \$109.23, which will provide some forty or more poor children from the slums of the city with a week's outing in the country, where they will enjoy the fresh, pure air and be fed on wholesome food—great luxuries to children whose lives are lived amid most miserable conditions. The Rector has visited a number of these so called "homes" during the past two weeks and has selected the children, who seemed to be in the greatest need of a change of food and environment. There are many more worthy children who might be sent, if the funds were in hand. Two dollars and thirty cents will send one child into the country for one week. Persons who desire to assist in this worthy charity may do so by sending their contributions to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Parish Notes

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

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Kalendar for July and August

July 5th—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

July 12th—Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

July 19th—Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

July 25th—S. James.

July 26th—Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

August 2nd—Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

August 6th—Transfiguration.

August 9th—Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

August 16th—Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

August 23rd—Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

August 24th—S. Bartholomew

August 30th—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Summer Services

The Sunday services during the summer months will be at the usual hours, viz. Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M., 11.00 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. The eleven o'clock service will consist of Morning Prayer, only, with sermon, except on the first Sunday of the month when the service will consist of Holy Communion and sermon. The Sunday evening service will be shortened form of Evening Prayer with an address.

On Saints Days there will be celebration of the Holy Communion at the usual hour, 9.30 A. M. Evening Prayer on Friday afternoon will be omitted during the summer.

Since the electric light system has been installed in Christ Church, the temperature of the Church is much cooler, the high roof of the Church together with the excellent system of ventilation, make Christ Church one of the coolest and most comfortable churches in Germantown.

The services during the summer will be in charge of the Rev. Robert Magee Beckett. Mr. Beckett has recently been curate at St. Simeon's, Philadelphia, where he did a splendid work. Mr. Beckett will preach every Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock service and on Sunday evening will give a short address. At the evening service there will be one lesson read and hymns, familiar to all, will be sung.

Persons who may be in need of the service of a clergyman may apply at the rectory at any time during the summer and they will receive Mr. Beckett's prompt attention.

Remember that your work comes only moment by moment, and as surely as God calls you to work, he gives the strength to do it. Do not think in the morning, "How shall I go through this day? I have such-and-such work to do, and persons to see, and I have not the strength for it." No, you have not, for you do not need it. Each moment, as you need it, the strength will come; only do not look forward an hour for what you expect. At any rate, you will be borne through each needful and rightful thing "on eagles'

wings." Do not worry yourself with misgivings; take each thing quietly.—F. D. Maurice.

Christ Church Club

In acknowledgement of \$10.00 sent to the Oregon Associate Mission, the late Bishop Scadding wrote the following letter to the Club under date of May 4th.

"Thank you for your kind note, and contribution of \$10.00 for our work from the Christ Church Club. Kindly thank them for me.

Yesterday I confirmed 14 adults in this mission (Medford, Oregon) which was one of our "Silent Churches" but is now responding well to the work of our missionary.

We cannot stand still in Oregon. To attempt to do so would be to fall behind. I know of no field where contributions for missionary enterprise will find quicker returns than here. The motto of the State is "Oregon flies with its own wings" and we are trying hard to effect this in the diocese.

With best wishes for the prosperity of your club.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Charles Scadding."

Election of officers was held at the July meeting and the following were elected to serve for the ensuing year: Miss Mabel C. Robinson, President; Miss Elsie M. Moore, Vice President; Miss Martha J. Insinger, Secretary; and Miss Esther Alexander, Treasurer. To serve on the Executive Committee, with the officers, Mrs. Samuel N. Baxter was elected.

O. G. K.

Boys' Brigade

It was good to see nearly 100 members of the Boys' Brigade in uniform at the special service in Christ Church on Sunday evening, May 31st.

The Rev. Mr. Carr, of Bristol, Pa., knew just what to say, and he said it so plainly that every boy was able to carry away a helpful message.

Not only have the boys appeared well in Church, but they should themselves capable of making a Strawberry Festival a big success. The Girls

Friendly and the Brigade worked splendidly together, and consequently the treasuries of both societies are fuller.

The Annual Encampment of all the Companies of the Boys' Brigade will be held this year at Pitman Grove, for ten days from July 3rd. Full details may be had from the officers.

Parents are co-operating with the officers in making this organization worth while. Next Fall and Winter great things should be done.

Report of Neighborhood Athletic Association

Tennis? Sure! Ready in a minute!

This, and many other similar and appropriate exclamations are the often heard slogans and by-words in this vicinity, since the organization of the Neighborhood Athletic Association of the Christ Church of Germantown.

On Saturday, June the sixth, the adjoining vacant property of the Parish House of this Church was formally thrown open to the use of its neighbors with light refreshments, sports and a general sociable good time.

For the last few years many of us living near this Church have looked with longing and envious eyes at this property, which although full of great possibilities, has gone unused. And now through the foresight and broad-mindedness of a few loyal members of this Church we have been permitted to enter within its open gates and fulfill our longings and desires.

The nucleus of the present Association met for the first time, for the purpose of organization in this Parish House on Friday, May 22nd. From the very start a successful prophecy of the future of the Association could readily be made judging only from the general response to an invitation nailed to a nearby tree, inviting all ages to be present at its beginnings.

Owing to the high range of age limits of those attending, it was deemed best to divide the organization into a Senior and a Junior division.

The Junior meeting on the same afternoon effectually organized their Division with the election of officers and the discussion of such important

topics as dues, membership and other subjects. Howard Feist was chosen as their President and their other officers are as follows:

Vice President—Marjorie Howell

Secretary—Bertha Armiston

Treasurer—Grace Gerhardt

Although we all realize that the younger people are desirous of having their own officers and the control of their own affairs it was decided best that the President of the Seniors should be the active head of the entire Association.

To hold this office and to uphold the future welfare of this Society we congratulate ourselves that we have so wisely chosen a man of high ability, and of deepest interest in the success of our Association as Mr. Geo. Faust.

Of no less importance in the performance of their duties and no less ambitious in their spirit for our future are the other officers whom have been elected as follows:

Vice President—Dorothy Howell

Secretary—Frances O'Brien

Treasurer—Edith Quay

Chairman of Committees—Arthur Boyd.

Chairman, Executive Committee—Mrs. Belfield

Though tennis is the all absorbing topic of the present season it is expected that in time we will have facilities for other sports as Basket Ball, Croquet, Hand-ball and various social functions and activities throughout the year.

And so while we are young and full of life and growing, we number over fifty members and we, who have already taken a wise step by joining the Neighborhood Association, extend to all in our vicinity a hearty invitation to come and unite with us in this opportunity to pursue and gain, health, strength and neighborliness.

Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month in the Parish House.

(Signed) W. Harvey Perkins

To be bereft of an ideal is worse than death. Death may be the putting on of an ideal, the crowning of life with all its hopes and possibilities. But to have nothing to live for, to see nothing in

life, only vagueness, emptiness, inanimation, languor and ennui, is a living death. Better a death crowned with a hopeful ideal, with all the glories of the immortal life before it, than to let the energies waste and rust in aimless, purposeless existence. But why should any life be aimless in a world such as this? There is room in it for every voice. There is a path in it for every foot, there is a work for every hand. There are hearts waiting to respond to every word of love. There are parched lips waiting for the cup of cold water. There are tottering, blind spirits feeling their way over troubled pathways needing the guidance of eyes that can see. There are victims to vice whom the song might lead to Jesus. There are warped and twisted tenements where penury has refused to release its pitiless grasp, where the prayer and the ready help would be as blessed as the footsteps of the Great Comforter on the streets of Capernum. There is no need for emptiness of life in this world. From every soul paths radiate, like the spokes of a wheel, paths of opportunity along any one of which we may walk to the glorification of God.

Sunday School

The very successful series of lessons on the Life of Christ came to an end on Sunday June 21. These lessons have been continued through the Fall, Winter and Spring sessions and have been unusually attractive, the interest having been sustained for more than thirty Sundays.

With the service on June 28 the regular summer course will commence. Short sessions every Sunday morning with good music, interesting talks and illustrated lectures on Missions will hold the scholars through the hot weather and up to the middle of September when with Rally Sunday the regular teaching of the lessons will be taken up again.

On Saturday June 13 the Primary Department enjoyed their annual Picnic on the Rectory grounds.

Flag Day was recognized on Sunday, June 14, by appropriate services which included a March by the Primary Department, the little ones singing "Onward Christian Soldiers," the salute to the Flag by the members of the Boys Brigade in uniform, a recitation "My Flag and your Flag," and the singing of the Rector's Hymn "Hail to the Flag."

The Sunday School Picnic will be held on Wednesday, July 8, at Willow Grove Park.

G. T. M.

Daughters of the King

On the 25th of May a delegation from the Chapter took the garments we had had during Lent down to the "Inasmuch" Mission. We were very kindly received and stayed to a very interesting service, showing what a wonderful work the Mission is doing among the so-called "down and outs" of the city.

We were glad to have Mrs. Arndt with us again and hope she will return in the fall fully restored to health.

We are going to meet during the summer on our regular night at the home of Mrs. Geo. S. Wertsner's, No. 7 Herman Street to make books, cards and other articles for the Hospital.

E. L. M.

The Mother's Meeting

The last meeting before dispersing for the summer, was held at the home of Mrs. Morrison.

After a stroll about the yard and gardens, there was music indoors, followed by something more substantial, sandwiches, ice cream, cake and coffee.

The members of the Meeting gave Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Morrison each a beautiful cut glass bowl. A short summary of the year's work was read, and hoping that it may interest some of the readers of the "Chimes" we give the statement below:

Receipts

Balance from last year	\$23.85
Cash received	55.90
Total	\$79.75

Expenses

For materials, etc.	\$22.47
Easter Offering	35.00
For the Bazaar	10.00
Total	\$67.47

Balance on hand	\$12.28
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While the amount received was not so large as last year, it must be remembered that a great deal of our work was sold at the Labor Day booth in the Bazaar which was in charge of the Sunday afternoon Bible Class and the Mothers Meeting. This booth contributed seventy-five dollars towards the total amount received at the fair.

The attendance while not any larger than in previous years, has on the whole been more regular. Before saying good-bye for the summer, many of the members promised to be more regular than in the past and to try to persuade others to come and share our pleasant Tuesday afternoons, to which everyone is made most heartily welcome.

Strawberry Festival

The Strawberry Festival which was under the management of the Girls' Friendly and the Boys Brigade was a great success. The weather man was especially kindly in providing one of the warmest days of the year. No one wanted to stay indoors and nearly everybody needed ice cream, few objecting to the strawberries.

Five hundred tickets were issued and it has been said by careful observers that apparently no one stayed away.

The corner of the grounds where the soft drinks were dispensed under the watchful eyes of the Boys Brigade was

a popular quarter and repeated hurry calls had to be sent out for additional supplies.

The Boys gave an exhibition drill on the Tennis Courts which though not very good for the courts was much enjoyed by the visitors.

A nine seated touring car kindly provided by the Washington Lane Garage was used by all the young people.

The short excursions were the source of much pleasure and the management do say that the profit was not inconsiderable.

The social part of the meeting was much in evidence. Many of the older members taking advantage of the opportunity to make plans for the further development of the many societies connected with the church.

Too much praise cannot be given to the Girls' Friendly and the Boys Brigade for their earnest work in making this Festival a success.

M. P. M.

As this will be the last issue of the Chimes until October, when the various societies of the Parish resume active work, it is an appropriate time to give a brief summary of the finances of the paper for the past year. For the nine issues since last October, the Chimes cost \$80.50 or less than \$10 per issue. This includes special numbers when many extra copies were distributed. Against this expenditure we have an income of \$57.40 through subscriptions and contributions, leaving a deficit of \$23.10. We are anxious to meet this deficit at once and would appreciate contributions from individuals or from the Parish Societies.

Remittance should be sent to the Rector or to the Business Editor, S. V. Wilcox, 82 W. Johnson St.

Jr. Brotherhood of St. Andrew

The following were admitted by the Rev. H. S. Ruth into full membership: On May 31st.

Donaldson Cooper
 Henry Ritter
 Howard Feist
 C. Gordon Sutcliffe
 William M. Morrison
 Leonard Carmichael
 Robert Brigham

On June 14th.

John Arndt
 Reginald Graeff

On May 12th Mr. John Shyrock, Director of the Incarnation Chapter, Broad and Jefferson Streets, with his Jr. Chapter visited our Chapter, encouraging us and making several valuable suggestions.

We resolved Mr. Ruth should not leave Christ Church without a permanent recognition of "our working together." At the last meeting he attended the Chapter presented him with a "Book of Officers for use on special occasions,"

Monthly meetings of the Chapter will continue throughout the summer months on the 2nd Tuesday.

New members are cordially invited to attend.

This is the last issue of the Chimes until the Fall. This issue is delayed, from an unavoidable cause and there have been a number of inquiries made by interested friends and many have expressed a hope that the publication of the Chimes is not to be discontinued.

This is the end of the twelve years of the continuous publication of the Chimes. There are few Parish papers in the country that have had as long

a continuous publication. At the end of each year there has always been a deficit. The burden of this deficit has generally fallen upon one person in the Parish.

It is, however, doubtful if the Chimes will be continued to be published next fall, unless some good friends in the Parish will guarantee that, if there be the usual deficit at the end of the year, the burden will be shared by them and not allowed to be borne by one. It is hoped that some generous persons will indicate their willingness to be among this number. otherwise it is not probable that the "Chimes" will be continued to be published.

The Business Editor, Mr. Stanley Wilcox, West Johnson Street will be pleased to hear from them.

A Message from the Board of Missions

At a meeting of the Board of Missions on May 13th the Treasurer reported that the income to May 1, 1914, was \$21,043 larger than to May 1, 1913. The Board is grateful for this evidence of the growing missionary spirit of the of the Church. On the other hand, it cannot forget that the appropriations for the year 1913-14 are necessarily larger than they were last year so that the financial situation continues to give much anxiety. The Board desires to share its knowledge of the facts with every member of every congregation in the Church. It therefore adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved: That the Board of Missions assembled to make appropriations for the general missionary work for the year, 1914-15, finds the Church facing a grave financial situation.

The Board gratefully recognizes the loyal co-operation of many of the men, women and children of the Church without whose devotion and offerings it would have been impossible for the missionary work at home and abroad to reach its present extent and efficiency.

Nevertheless, the Board feels bound to present to the Church the following statement of facts:

The accumulated deficit on September 1, 1913 was \$197,294

The appropriations for the current fiscal year from September 1, 1913 to September 1, 1914 amount to \$1,458,739

If the people of the Church give as they gave last year the total deficit on September 1, 1914 will be .. \$322,317

This deficit will have arisen in spite of the fact that current appropriations do not make adequate provision even for the natural growth of the Church's existing work.

The deficit hitherto has been carried on the credit of the Domestic & Foreign Missionary Society, supported by the reserve fund created to protect the Society's credit in time of emergency. This basis of credit is being rapidly exhausted. Should it be exhausted, nothing will intervene between the missionary work of the Church and bankruptcy except the generous loyalty of all the people of the Church."

"Resolved: That the Board of Missions send a copy of the foregoing statement to every Bishop of the Church and request him to lay the facts before every congregation in his

jurisdiction, either in the form of this statement or of a pastoral letter or in such form as he shall think best."

Accompanying the above letter from the Board of Missions the Bishop has sent the following appeal to the clergy of this Diocese.

Reverend and dear Brother:

I enclose a brief statement issued by the Board of Missions, which will explain itself. It shows a very serious situation which the Church is facing. I believe that the situation has arisen largely because so many of our people do not know the facts. If the facts were widely published, and were really brought home to the minds and consciences of all our Communicants, I think this great reproach and burden would be removed almost at once. With this thought in view, and in accordance with the Resolution passed by the Board of Missions last month, I write to ask you to bring the facts, as stated in the enclosed circular, to the attention of your congregation, adding such comments or explanation as may seem wise to you.

Faithfully yours,

P. M. Rhinelander

Bishop of Pennsylvania

Although our Parish has contributed more largely to missions during the past year than we have for a great many years past, we have not yet equalled our apportionments, owing to the fact that a number of our parishioners do not contribute to Missions through the envelope system.

It is hoped all who do not do so, will begin at once and thus help to realize

our parochial apportionment to missions so that the Board of Missions of the Church will be loyally supported in its efforts to meet the necessary expenses of the Missionary work of the Church.

Summer Expenses

During past summers your Accounting Warden has been unable to keep the current expenses paid because of the falling off in receipts, and if members of the Parish would kindly make their offerings in advance before leaving for summer vacations, it will be very greatly appreciated. This is a small sum for each one, but in the aggregate will be a great help toward carrying on our financial arrangements.

The Remembrance of the Dead

Our sleeping dead, O Lord, are gone
to Thee,
To be forever more in tranquil rest;
Grant that, O Lord, we may with
them be blest,
And with them, all Thy endless glory
see.
O ever living, loving God, set free
Our souls from every vain and
worthless guest;
To be with Thee, be that our soul
behest;
With Thee in time, as in eternity:
Then with our dead shall we be blest
indeed,
And with them live in heaven, while
here below;
And with them too, in heavenly
rapture grow;
For, while on earth, we shall from
earth be freed,

And all our life will be a path to go
Where we, with them, Thy joys
shall ever know.

The Foreward Look

Earnest men and women to-day have little time for looking backward. Facing the future, they "forget the things which are behind," and looking forward in hopeful anticipation to the marvelous possibilities of "the things which are before." Paul's picture is striking and vivid. The runner, after a rigid course of training, now that the race has begun, attends to only one thing. Forgetting that part of the course already passed over, he strains every muscle, exerts every physical power, to the accomplishment of a single purpose—to reach the goal and win the prize.

An old deacon was accustomed to offer this prayer: "Help us to forget that we ought not to remember, and to remember what we ought not to forget." A wise forgetfulness of some things that are past is helpful to progress. He who is pursuing with all energy the great purpose of life, cannot afford to have his attention diverted. The slow and painful effort by which the alphabet was mastered is for the scholar a thing of the past, to be forgotten. Forgiven sins need not be remembered after we have learned a lesson from the manner in which we were overtaken. Forget your enmities, the faults and peculiarities of others, the annoyances of life, the disagreeable things of the past; but remember past mercies and comforts and joys. Whatsoever things are lovely and of good report think on these things. Do not glory in the good deeds of the past, but devote all the energy to greater

achievements, looking forward to a future that is bright with promise for all earnest souls.

Never brood over thyself; never stop short in thyself; but cast thy whole self, even this very care which distresseth thee, upon God. Be not anxious about little things, if thou wouldst learn to trust God with thine all. Act upon faith in little things; commit thy daily cares and anxieties to Him; and He will strengthen thy faith for any greater trials. Rather give thy whole self into God's hands, and so trust Him to take care of thee in all lesser things, as being His for His own sake, whose thou art.—E. B. Pusey.

The kindliness of silence is something we might all bestow much often-er than we do. Granted that we do not indulge in scandal, that when we know of the distress and humiliation that has befallen a friend's household in the wrong-doing of one of its members we tell the tale only pityingly and with every extenuating circumstance, yet why tell it at all? If it were one of our beloved that had stumbled into sin and disgrace, if one dear to us had yielded to sudden temptation, if our home had been rent with bitterness and dissension, would not the first impulse, a right and natural impulse, be to hide the hurt and stain from every human eye? Would we not bless the friendship that so far as possible closed its eyes and sealed its lips, and that could be trusted not to repeat what it perforce had seen and heard? Surely this is a place where the Golden Rule might have much wider practice than it has—the shielding of others by silence as we would have our own shielded.

Don't be content with spending all your time on your faults, but try to get a step nearer to God. It is not He who is far away from us, but we from Him. If you ask me the best means to persevere, I would say, if you have succeeded in getting hold of Almighty God's hand, **don't let it go.** Keep hold by constantly renewing ejaculatory prayers to Him, acts of desire, and the seeking to please Him in little things. —Mother Francis Raphaetl.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. "

The European War

The awful war, which is raging in Europe, is but the outcome of conditions which have long obtained among the nations. It is but the reaping of the harvest of pride, envy and jealousy, selfishness—in short, it is the result of sin.

This war, which is at last visible, has been really proceeding for at least a generation. The continual piling up of armaments, the building of frontier fortresses, the mortgaging of future industry to pay for vast and untried fleets, the buying and selling of secret official plans and memoranda, the capturing of spies, the underhand influence of the press—all these are the fruit and evidence of a perpetual war which has been none the less war because it has been sardonically presented to the world in the guise of a guarantee of peace.

This monstrous growth of militarism must fall if civilization is to endure. It is falling now, and the more complete and costly its death-throes, and the more of dynastic jealousies and "divine" rights it pulls down and buries with it, the freer will the field be for the growth of a real peace which can only have its roots in the brotherhood of man.

Peace we want, but it must be a peace, not a mere absence of actual

hostilities covering a seething depth of suspicion, hatred, envy and fear. If by miracle the marching hosts could be turned back today; if no hunting ships of prey could be drawn home to their own coasts; if the emperors who have claimed divine sanction for their appeals to men could be suddenly brought to countermand their wanton orders for war and destruction, it remains a miserable certainty that the state of armed tension would yet exist, the garrisons on international boundaries would not be reduced, the making of guns and explosives would not cease, the toil of the farmer and mechanic would still be taxed more and more heavily for the upkeep of these monstrous armies and gold-braided general staffs, and the tension would simply continue to grow—with an added cause of distrust in the recently demonstrated futility of international guarantees or national promises.

As long as any nation or any sovereign in Europe retains the power or the will to devastate an unoffending neighbor, as Germany has done to Belgium, or to plunge a continent into war without warning, as Austria has done to Europe, so long is any peace in the real sense of the word a social impossibility. Peace, yes!—but not a peace which bears within its bosom the seeds of perpetual war, whether hid-

den or open. Peace, again yes! but not a peace which is simply the ingenious balancing on the point of the bayonet a soap-bubble which is bound to burst.

Out of this destruction may yet come forth brotherhood. The people of Germany do not hate the people of France any more than the people of England hate the people of Austria. And perhaps when the princes and the war-cabinets and the monster guns and the high-power explosives and the bomb-dropping aeroplanes have thoroughly and absolutely demonstrated their incapacity to preserve peace or to promote international amity the peoples will take the matter into their own hands. Let it be this peace, full, final and fruitful, that we plead for in our prayers, and not that mere mockery of peace which has so long gone by its name.

A Day of Intercession for Peace

In devout recognition of the dependence of the people and the rulers of the nations upon the guidance and wisdom of Almighty God, the President of the United States has called the people of this country to prayer and has designated Sunday, the fourth of October, as a Day of Intercession for Peace. It is a timely summons to which we give reverent response.

This Sunday will, therefore, be observed in Christ Church, both morning and evening, by a special service of Prayer and Intercession for Peace. As elsewhere is announced in the Chimes this Church will be open daily, until further notice from eight o'clock in the morning to half past five in the afternoon for private prayer. Special prayers for peace will be found in the Rector's notes of this issue. There should be a devout and fervent outpouring of prayer to God, on behalf of all Christian people, that God will open the eyes of the people and those who in His name are entrusted with the authority of government to see and understand their Christian duty and to hasten to bring about an honorable peace among the nations.

This Church will be open every day, until further notice, from 8.00 A. M. to 5.50 P. M. for private prayer and intercession for Peace.

Prayers for Daily Use

Let thy merciful ear, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants, and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the earth, who in Thy Holy Word hast taught us that One is our Father, even God, and that all we are brethren.

We pray Thee in this dark hour of international strife that Thou wilt open the eyes of the people and those who in Thy Name are interested with the authority of governance, to see and understand their right and true relation to Thee, and, through Thee, to one another.

Teach them by Thy Spirit that hatred and violence are not strength but weakness; that the true safeguarding of a nation is not to be found in the weapons of war, but in those eternal principles which make for righteousness and truth and brotherhood and peace.

For the Sick and Wounded

Almighty God, who dost look down in fatherly love upon all Thy children; We beseech The to hear our humble prayers for those who shall suffer in the war which is now raging. Give them, we pray Thee, the consolations of Thy grace; heal the sick, comfort the wounded, minister to the dying, and bind up the broken heart. All this we ask through the mediation of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For those who Minister

O Merciful God, whose blessed Son went about doing good, uphold with Thy strength and grace those who in loving-kindness are serving the wounded and the sick. Grant to the

ministers of Thy Gospel faithfulness and love; to thy physicians and surgeons, wisdom and skill; to the nurses, sympathy and patience, and we beseech Thee to protect and bless them in all their dangers, anxieties, and labors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For those in Need

O Heavenly Father, who by Thy blessed Son hast taught us to ask of Thee our daily bread, have compassion on those who through this war are brought to poverty or hunger. Relieve their distress; make plain the way of help; and grant Thy grace unto us, so that we may bear each others burdens according to Thy will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bring, we pray Thee, to a speedy end this international strife, and hasten the time when peace shall flourish out of the earth, and all shall dwell together in unity and love, and war shall be no more. We ask it in the Name of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Almighty God and Heavenly Father, who hast promised through Thy Son Jesus Christ to be with Thy Church to the end of the world; We humbly pray that Thou wilt so quicken and strengthen us with the consciousness of Thy Presence, that in Thy Light we may see right, and may both perceive and know what things we ought to do to serve the peace of the world, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Almighty God, who canst bring good out of evil, and who makest even the wrath of man to turn to Thy praise: We beseech Thee so to order and dispose the issue of this war, that it may result in a true and lasting peace and the the nations of the world may be united in a firmer fellowship for the promotion of Thy

glory and the good of all mankind. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most Gracious God, we humbly beseech Thee, as for the people of these United States in general, so especially for Thy servant, the President, and all others in authority; that Thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of Thy glory, the good of Thy Church, the safety, honor, and welfare of Thy people; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavors upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. All which we humbly ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men, grant unto Thy people that they may love the things which Thou commandest and desire that which Thou dost promise; that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and these things which for our unworthiness we dare not and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord bless us, and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. Amen.

The Rector desires to call the attention of all persons to the various societies in the Parish which afford opportunities for Christian work. Among the first and most important is the Sunday School. Parents should see to it that their children be rightly instructed in the Bible and be brought into the Church. To this end, Christ Church Sunday School, which meets every Sunday morning at quarter to ten, welcomes all young people to join its classes and calls for adult men and women to connect themselves with the school and assist in this great and important work of instructing the young. Faithful teachers are in urgent need and the Rector cordially invites men and women to offer their services to the school during the coming winter. The Rector will be glad to meet, after Church, any who are willing to volunteer their services.

The various other Guilds of the Parish, such as the Womens Missionary Society, the Choir Guild, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the Daughters of the King, the Girls' Friendly Society, the Mother's Meeting, the Neighborhood Club for men, the Boys' Brigade, the Vestment Guild, the Altar Guild, the Athletic Association all are open to new comers and extend a cordial welcome to unite in membership. The officers of the Societies or either of the Clergy will be pleased to give further information to any who may apply.

A Contrast

Two persons meet the Rector—both on the same day. One tells him that during the past year "things have not gone prosperously with him," "he has had a rather hard time of it!" several ventures have not turned out as he had expected, etc., etc." This person, therefore, began to look around to see where he can "economize" and begins with "economizing with God."—he cuts down his church "expenses" and his attendance at the House of God.

The other person has met with reverses during the past year—even more serious than the other. He, however, is made of different "stuff" than the first individual. "The last

place that I shall economize is with God."—says he. "I need God and He needs me, more now than ever before." "I may lose my money but I won't lose my self-respect, nor my Church, nor my God!" "You will see me in Christ Church more often this winter than ever before and I intend to do more for God and His Church than I have ever done before in my life!"

The above conversation took place this fall between the Rector and two persons on the same day, at different hours. The Rector intends to watch the career of these two friends during the coming year. He will pray that both these persons may be relieved of all anxiety, and may be blessed by God. Which of these two will be the happier during the coming year, which will receive the greater blessing?

There is no doubt in the Rector's mind, which it will be—but he intends to pray and watch.

Notice to New-Comers

There have recently moved into this vicinity a large number of persons who are unattached to any Church. They are procrastinating from day to day identifying themselves to the Church and have become, or are becoming, indifferent to the worship of God and thereby are losing the benefits and blessings of public worship. Others have become "floaters" from Church to Church and have no Church which they can call their Church Home. The Rector affectionately urges all new comers in this vicinity to make themselves known to the clergy of their Parish, who will be pleased to call on them at their homes and to cordially welcome them to the services and membership of Christ Church. The Clergy may be seen after any service or a card sent to the Rector, at 59 W. Tulpehocken Street, will meet with prompt response.

Kalendar for October

Oct. 4th—Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 11th—Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 18th—S. Luke's Day, Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 25th—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 28th—S. S. Simon and Jude.

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.
Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion—Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Sunday School

The Sunday School "Rally Sunday" was celebrated on 16th Sunday after Trinity, September 27. Most of the scholars and teachers were back in their places—but we missed several faithful ones and hope to see them soon.

The attendance has been so good during the Summer sessions that there is every promise of an unusually busy Sunday School during the Fall and Winter.

On Sunday October 4th the regular teaching of the lesson will be resumed.

The Acts of the Apostles and the history of the early church is the subject selected and promises to be a very interesting series of lessons.

It is proposed that the teachers and older scholars shall hold corporate communion on First Sunday in October. Breakfast will then be served in the Parish House and few short addresses will be given during the breakfast hour on the duties and privileges of teachers.

It is believed that this will be a fitting and beneficial commencement to the regular course of the Sunday School.

The illustrated talks on Missions have been so successful and entertaining that an effort will be made to continue these without however interfering with the teaching of the Sunday lesson.

The third Sunday in each month will be reserved for the catechising of the Senior Department of the school by the Rector.

Arrangements have been made for a series of entertainments by the older scholars and during the Winter three old time socials will be held.

G. T. M.

Women's Bible Class

A very successful Bible Class for Women meets in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. This class is under the efficient instruction of Mrs. Henry R. Baremore and affords an exceptional opportunity to all women in the Parish for a systematic study of the Bible. The class resumes its sessions on Sunday afternoon, October 1th, at three o'clock. Women are cordially invited to attend.

Boys' Brigade

On July 3rd, 1914, Co. 11 U. B. B. A. left Christ Church Parish House for the annual encampment of the Boys' Brigade at Pitsman, N. J.

The routine of the camp was as follows: Reveille at 6.00 A. M., 6.10 First call, 6.15 Assembly, when the roll was called and the details assigned for the day. 7 o'clock Mess and good, plain, wholesome food was served to the boys. 7.30 Drill till 9 o'clock when recall was sounded. Then till five o'clock the boys did as they pleased. 6.30 Dress parade. 9.30 Call to quarters, 9.45 Tattoo. 10 o'clocks taps.

During swimming hours there were always 2 or 3 officers detailed to see that everything was all right. We had a physician and a fully equipped Hospital Corps to take care of any accidents that might occur.

There were plenty of things for the boys to amuse themselves with and then for one evening they amused about 2000 people of Pittman and the neighboring towns. It was a big sham battle. The boys were divided into two parts. One was the Mexicans and the other was the Americans. Needless to say the Mexicans were completely routed.

Our Co. was the junior company of the Regiment and they gave the crack company a very close run for first place in Military matters. Next year there is no reason why we should not get first place.

All boys 12 years and over are invited to come around to the Parish house any Friday night and get the particulars of the organization. We try to give to boys a military training as far as it is possibly with boys, and you can nearly always tell such a boy by the way he will answer a question you may happen to ask him.

Paul F. Williams

Lieut Commanding

(A report has come to the Rector that the members of Christ Church Brigade were especially noted for their good discipline and courteous behavior.)

Memorial Altar Flowers

The Altar Society, have charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years and any in the Parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this "Memorial List" are invited to consult with the Rector and he will be pleased to assign them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their "Blessed Dead." After the Sunday service the flowers are sent to the sick in the Parish or to Hospitals.

That the congregation may know, each Sunday, in whose memory the flowers are, a list of the names departed will be published from month to month in the "Chimes."

On the "days of remembrance" it will be sweet to come to God's House and in His presence to recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile;" to kneel before the altar and to feel their nearness and to unite with them and all God's Saints in one common worship—"knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord."

The one misery of man is self-will, the one secret of blessedness is the conquest over our own wills. To yield them up to God is rest and peace. What disturbs us in this world is not "trouble" but our opposition to trouble. The true source of all that frets and irritates, and wears away our lives, is not in external things, but in the resistance of our wills to the will of God expressed by external things.—Alexander MacLaren.

In Heaven God's will is done, and the Master teaches the child to ask that the will may be done on earth just as in heaven; in the spirit of adoring submission and ready obedience. Because the will of God is the glory of heaven, the doing of it is the blessedness of heaven. As the will is done, the kingdom of heaven comes into the heart.—Andrew Murray.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

On Sept. 22, the chapter of Christ Church opened its session with a large number present.

The regular meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 8.00 P. M. in the Parish House. The corporate communion will be held at 7.30 A. M. on the third Sunday of each month and everybody is invited to attend.

Notice is here given that on Tuesday, October 13 an election for a Treasurer will take place to fill the office left vacant by the resignation of Robert Brigham; and all members are urged to attend.

Reginald Graff and Arthur Boyd were appointed to serve as ushers on Sunday evenings till next meeting. William Morrison and Henry Ritter were appointed to give out the Christ Church "Chimes" at the Church doors.

H. S. R.

Entertainment Thursday, October 29

On Thursday evening, October 29, the boys of the S. S. C. assisted by the Boys' Brigade will give two sketches in the Parish House. One will be a Suffragette play entitled "How the Vote was won." The other will be "The Merchant of Venice," (Slightly revised). These plays will be under the direction of Miss Martha Noyes, of the Noyes Dramatic School, 1720 Chestnut Street. Tickets may be had from any member of the Sunday School. Proceeds will be toward the expense of publishing the "Chimes."

It is the desire of the various societies of the Parish to utilize the splendid stage and auditorium in the

House quite frequently this winter for plays and entertainments. The attendance at this first effort should be large so that the players will be encouraged to proceed with their plans for more pretentious plays to follow.

S. V. W.

Choir Notes

Our choir made their annual visit to the Eastern Penitentiary, Sunday, September 13th.

Holding a praise service of song. Warden McKenty congratulated us on the tonal quality, saying he could distinguish the words of the anthems at extreme end of each corridor. Rev. Mr. Welsh the chaplain also made an address of welcome, saying, he was always glad to hear us sing, because we entered into it with our whole heart. It is very encouraging to the choir to be encouraged. If by our service we touched but one heart, we will be more than repaid.

Trusting that our Parish will always remember us in their prayers to be a success at all services in which we take part, for which we sacrifice our thought and time, is the earnest wish and prayers of the Choir.

M. L. M.

Choir Notes

After the vacation season, the choirsters are returning rapidly including new members in its soprano choir.

We would like more Altos and Basses, and those who would like to learn church music and take an interest in the church work will be made welcome on any Friday evening, at 8.00 o'clock rehearsal.

We are sorry to state that Mr. Warren Lightcap has tendered his resignation, and hope he will be as successful in his new field as he was with us.

In Mr. Lightcap's place, we have the services of Mr. Hood, as well as the services of the Misses Quay and O'Brien.

The second Sunday in November the choir will render Gaul's Holy City.

E. L. C.

The Rev. Robert M. Beckett, who has acceptably taken charge of the services during the Rector's vacation, has been invited to remain in Christ Church Parish as the Rector's Curate. Mr. Beckett has until recently been curate in S. Simeon's Church, Philadelphia and was previously engaged in Missionary work in the Diocese of Wyoming. The Rector bespeaks for Mr. Beckett a cordial welcome among the people of Christ Church Parish.

The Mother's Meeting

Our first meeting for the coming season will be held on Thursday, October the thirteenth, in the Parish House.

All former members are urged to be there and new members are cordially invited to join us.

Plans for the Winters work will be proposed and we hope to begin with renewed enthusiasm after the Summers' rest.

Our friends in the Parish who are house-keepers, in replenishing their stock of aprons, dish towels, kitchen rugs and iron holders, are reminded that the Mothers Meeting can furnish them with these articles at very reasonable prices and of much better quality than can be purchased in the stores.

A. M. M.

"No Cigarette Smoking by my Employees"

Says Thomas A. Edison

That cigarette smoking is highly injurious both to mind and body is the opinion of Thomas A. Edison, the inventor. He employs hundreds of men, but not one of them is a cigarette smoker. The following letter is commended to young men and boys who are given to smoking cigarettes. It shows how a practical scientist regards the matter. The letter is as follows:

From the Laboratory of Thomas A. Edison:

Orange, N. J., April 26, 1914
Friend Ford:

The injurious agent in cigarettes comes principally from the burning paper wrapper. The substance thereby formed is called "Acrolein." It has a violent action on the nerve centers, producing degeneration of the cells of the brain, which is quite rapid among boys. Unlike most narcotics this degeneration is permanent and uncontrollable. I employ no person who smokes cigarettes.

Yours,
Thos. A. Edison

Altar Guild

The members of the Altar Guild were most conscientious in their duties during the summer months, which is a great gratification to the Rector. There will be a regular meeting of the Altar Guild the second Monday in October at 3.00 P. M. in the Parish House. It is hoped there will be a large attendance to prepare for this winter's work.

R. H. B.

The Tennis Club

As the days now grow shorter and the school book calls, the tennis court so lately a scene of vivid action becomes once again silent and inert. During the long pleasant summer now past, scarcely was there a day that passed into darkness but that a picture of vigor and dash was graphically portrayed on this same court. With the coming of the brisk and cool breezes of autumn, interest turns to other pursuits. Some are to work again, some to the schools and their attendant pleasures for which the coolness of the fall seems to have been specially designed. The racquet is forgotten, tossed aside until the coming of the warmth of summer shall again revive the thrill that comes with the hurrying of feet over the hardened clay, the swish and electric, snapping tenk of the racquet and ball.

The season now so nearly completed has been one of constant pleasure. May it be vigorously said that lacking in anything else, the Tennis club was not needful of interest. The response to the opening of the court to play was immediate and enthusiastic. The spirit lasted and as the summer progressed, grew to proportions which taxed the single court. May the hope of an additional court in the adjoining space be realized for the season which is to come. Now as we say farewell to tennis as to the other pleasures of summer, we thank, one and all, sincerely and heartily, the Rector and Vestry who so kindly gave to us this opportunity for health and vigor.

A. C. B.

Attention! Envelope Subscribers

It is of the greatest importance that all persons in arrears in their subscription through the Envelope System are urged to place the amount of their indebtedness in their envelopes at the first opportunity and put them in the alms basin or give a check to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison. Many persons have done this immediately after their return from their vacations, but there are still a large number who have not done so. A prompt attention to this duty on the part of the parishioners will, relieve the Warden of some pressing financial obligations.

Use thy utmost endeavor to attain such a disposition of spirit that thou mayest become one with Me, and thy will may become so entirely conformed to My all-perfect will, that not only shalt thou never desire that which is evil, but not even that which is good, if it be not according to My will; so that whatever shall befall thee in this earthly life, from whatsoever quarter it may come, whether in things temporal or things spiritual, nothing shall ever disturb thy peace, or trouble thy quietness of spirit; but thou shalt be established in a firm belief that I, thine omnipotent God, love thee with a dearer love and take of thee more watchful care than thou canst for thyself.—St. Catharine of Siena.

Look around you, first in your own family, then among your friends and neighbors, and see whether there be not some one whose little burden you can lighten, whose little pleasures you can promote, whose little wants and wishes you can gratify. Giving up cheerfully our own occupations to attend to others, is one of the little kindnesses and self-denials. Doing little things that nobody likes to do, but which must be done by some one, is another. It may seem to many, that if they avoid little unkindnesses, they must necessarily be doing all that is right to their family and friends; but it is not enough to abstain from sharp words, sneering tones, petty contradictions, or daily little selfish cares; we must be active and earnest in kindness, not merely passive and inoffensive.

Money

There are many people who say, "O don't discuss money, preach about the love of God or some other topic!" But the Church needs money. It is hampered in every way for lack of it. Nearly every Vestry in the land is compelled to borrow money and pay interest because of just this popular and prevalent idea that money ought not to be mentioned in Church. If all the delinquencies in pew rents and envelope subscriptions were paid up next Sunday, not only in this parish, but every other parish, I dare say in many instances Vestrymen would be puzzled at first what to do with the money. People who are punctual and honorable about paying household accounts will let Church bills run on indefinitely, and even repudiate them in the end, for they have learned that no legal pressure is apt to be brought to collect a Church bill. It used to be the same with the Doctor's bill, but now the physician who takes a proper view of his responsibility to society and his family, collects his bill just like any other creditor collects his.

The Church ought to collect its bills in the same way exactly, for the sake of the people.

It is not to be taken that the Church does not do a vast amount of charitable or free work any more than that the physician does not do the same thing. I am called upon constantly by people who never give a cent—do not even give their presence at services—to support the Gospel, and I minister to them without hesitation, of course, and gladly. I even try not to have thoughts about them, although I am not always successful in that!

We have had dinned into our ears that the Gospel is free so long that we have come to believe that we have a right to it without paying for it. Wrong, all wrong! Even Almighty God made a sacrifice so priceless that we have no standard of value by which to estimate it save itself before men could be saved. I do not believe that He even intended that we should get something for nothing. The only concession I make to poverty is that

the price to be paid for salvation is not beyond anyone's reasonable ability to pay.

I do not believe there is a Church in the land which will not admit to its privileges all who may desire them or just whatever they are able to contribute. Certainly that is the policy of this Church. That is not the question. It is a question of doing what you can which is doing what you ought. The burden is carried, always has been carried, by the few; but if I were one of the indifferent many, it would be my highest ambition to get into the class of the noble few.

Self-denial, that is it? I know a Vestry Committee which called on a man and asked him if he could not give five cents a week on each side of the duplex envelope. The man said that he had met financial reverses, which was true; that sickness and other demands had greatly increased his expenses, which was also true; therefore, he could not afford to pledge himself even for five cents a week on each side of the envelope, which was not true, although perhaps he believed it. The interesting feature of the interview was this: He was smoking a ten cent cigar at the time and he smoked at least three every day, probably more. It didn't occur to him that he could give up one cigar a day for this purpose although it did occur to the committee which waited upon him. But they were timid men and didn't say it.

—Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady

Clothing Wanted

Persons in the Parish who have clothing to spare will convey a great favor by sending the same to the Parish House. Warm outer and under-garments, and shoes for men, women or children are always in demand during the winter months and are bestowed upon worthy persons in need. Please send the same to the Parish House in care of Mrs. Morrison, Directress of the Mothers' Meeting.

Was One or the Other

A certain millionaire did not approve of Foreign Missions. One Sunday at Church when the collection was taken for Missions, the collector approached the millionaire and held out the collection box. The millionaire shook his head.

"I never give to Missions," he whispered.

"Then take something out of the box, sir," whispered the collector. "The money is for the heathen."—Pittsburgh Chronicle and Telegraph.

There is a difference between essentials and non-essentials—the Faith of all the centuries and the opinions of a given age. This is the fact that binds together men of every shade of opinion in the Episcopal Church. Their motto is: "In essential, unity; on non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity."

All views in one Church? Impossible! Why? The nation is one, with many parties. And she is the stronger and grander because there are parties. And shall the grandest and greatest Kingdom on earth fail to bind in one fellowship all schools of thought?

A Good Example

Early in April the Treasurer of the Board of Missions received a letter which cheered him greatly. It contained a check for \$5,000, concerning which the writer said: "I had intended leaving this in my will, but decided it would be a greater pleasure for me to pay it at once."

Why do not more people think about their missionary giving in this way? Why should so many deprive themselves of the pleasure which it affords even though they make provision for gifts after their death? How much more interesting to see the money actually doing service in the upbuilding of the Kingdom! Beyond doubt, also, the man who begins to give in this way, and experiences the joy of it, would find himself able and eager to make provision in his will for the continuance of the work which he had thus begun.

Think about this, you among our readers who have been made the stewards of wealth.

It is surprising to observe how much more important anybody may become by simply being always in his place! One need not be wealthy, or influential, or talented, or even educated, to attain this importance. Try it—in the Sunday School, the choir, the Church services, the various meetings and other gatherings. The people who are always in their places are the people we "count on."

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
 } 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. }

ALL SAINTS

(All Saint's Day November 1st)

The dead in Christ are not very far from us. By this is not meant any false spiritualism, any physical nearness of sound, or sight or touch. That would be only to restore what is most imperfect and what death was meant to end. The nearness is that of deeper, hidden bonds which bind the souls of them that love Him together: in the Lord Jesus Christ. The body is resting in the grave under the care of God's holy angels till its glory of the Resurrection morning, but the soul is somewhere with Christ. He knows it, cares for it, watches it, loves it, has drawn it to himself in a closer vision, has poured fuller graces upon it, has washed it in his own blood. It is one with him in a fuller, deeper sense than ever before. The soul, too, must be gaining in all spiritual powers; it must be growing in love, in humility, in charity in every grace.

It is surely right to think that it remembers those it loved on earth; that it prays for them; that it is fuller of abounding grace, and worships the eternal Father, Son and Holy Ghost, as it never worshipped here. And therefore, in proportion as one left behind grows nearer to Christ he must be growing nearer to his loved ones. Both

in Christ, they must also be near to one another in Him; He is their meeting place. The departed are on one side of the veil, the living on the other—that is all. Just as when two who love one another here are parted, and hear that they can meet, they hurry as quickly as possible to the place appointed, even so will the mourner try to prayer, by good works, by patience, by gentle cheerfulness, by love, and above all, **by the faithful reception of the Holy Communion.** Wherever Christ is, there the dead in Christ must be! Drawing nearer to Christ must lead one to **them**, and thus it seems that there must be deep and invisible bonds binding the holy living to the dead in Him.

The dead in Christ are awaiting us in Paradise. The reason of man, teachers and Holy Scripture confirm it, that we shall know one another in that blessed land. We must believe that the dearest ties we have on earth, the things that most lead us unto God, have their fruition in heaven—not in any earthly way, but divested of all that is weak and poor and frail in them in a transfigured glory. All our hearts, and thought and feeling will, indeed, center in Christ, but these blessed ties will be the steps to the throne on which he sits. In loving any member in His mystical body, we shall only

love Him the more who is the head of it. Thus father and son, mother and daughter, husband and wife, friend and friend—one in Christ—will still be one with each other. Somehow, in this world, familiar ties, if they bind the members of the family closer together, serve also to separate the family in that degree, from the rest of the world. In the other life, there will be all the union and none of the separation. The one family of Christ, however much all earthly bonds may find in it their blessed fulfilment, will know no separation, and yet each earthly tie on which God has set the zeal of His blessing, will have its distinct place in the eternal oneness.

Thus as the mourners here on earth seeks to draw near to God, each step will bring him closer to the soul at rest with God, until at last the veil shall be lifted, and, hand in hand, in the glad company of the Redeemed, they will see the vision of God's glory, and at the Resurrection wake up after God's likeness "in the beauty of holiness."

All Saints' Day falls on Sunday this year. The Rector trusts that it will be an occasion when all, who have dear ones in Paradise, will draw near to God in the Blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Supper where all God's Saints are knit together in one Communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of His Son Jesus Christ, our Lord."

At the mid-day service on All Saint's Day the usual custom will be followed of reading the names of those who have departed this life during the past year. Persons who wish to send memorial flowers to be placed on the altar on All Saint's Day are requested to send them to the Parsh House—with names attached—on Saturday morning. The flowers from the altar are sent to the sick in the Parish after the service.

The Rector frequently receives letters from business men asking him his opinion concerning the capitalists and character of persons under advisement for employment. Recently

an inquiry came to the Rector concerning a certain person who was being considered for a responsible position. The candidate seemed admirably qualified in many particulars to fill the prospective position, and it was, therefore, gratifying to the Rector to be able to answer the question asked him in a way which appeared to indicate a favorable consideration. Finally the business man put this question up to the Rector: "Do you know this man to be strictly a man of his word; keeping his appointments and one who can be relied upon to be prompt and punctual?" The Rector regretted that this question was put to him so pointedly and positively, for he could not conscientiously answer it affirmatively. This young man in question had, to the Rector's knowledge, repeatedly failed to keep his appointments and had frequently so lightly regarded his word as wilfully to break his promise, seemingly without compunction of conscience. The Rector therefore had to admit, most reluctantly, that this man as not "strictly a man of his word." "That settles that man for me, for I would not have a man in my employ—no matter how gifted or able he might be in other ways—who lightly regarded his engagements or did not value his word as highly as his bond. "Such a man I regard as a thief—he steals time that belongs to others; he is also a liar, because he does not intend to keep his word."

The Rector protested that these were very strong words, but he was also secretly constrained to admit that this practical, level-headed business man was right and that people who wilfully break their word and intentionally fail to keep their promises are deserving of the plain Anglo-Saxon epithets so frankly used by our business friend.

The sad sequel has been shut out of a splendid opportunity by a habit which he has allowed himself to acquire. It is hoped that this experience will be a lesson both to him and to other young men who lightly regard their word or do not endeavor to keep their promises. The fault in this particular case, however, as it often is in other cases, was due quite as much to

the parents and the environment of the home, as it was to the young man himself. The lesson is applicable, therefore, to parents and young people alike.

Enriching our Friends

Our friends do not need to know that we are praying for them in order to be helped by our prayers. It is not their knowledge, but God's knowledge, of our prayers that is the important thing. A man knew that a friend of his eight hundred miles away was facing an important and difficult piece of work, and he prayed earnestly for God's guidance in that work. Writing to the friend, he told him that he had prayed for him, and later he received this reply: "Your letter came yesterday morning just as I was sitting down to the work, and I assure you that the thought of your prayers helped. Pardon me for saying the thought of your prayers; I should have said your prayers." If the chief helpfulness of our prayers for our friends lay in their knowledge that we were praying for them, prayer would be a very human and limited thing. Prayer's greatest helpfulness lies in the fact that it makes the way clear for God to bring special blessings to those for whom we intercede; and He does this even though He and the intercessor are the only ones who know that the prayer has been offered. Are our friends' lives being supernaturally enriched by the Heavenly Father because we are their praying friends?—

Scandal

A look, a gesture, and a sneer, a fool on mischief bent; and then upon its darksome way, a word of scandal went; the thoughtless one who turned it loose would fain have checked its course; but on it sped to scatter far grim sorrow and remorse. He knew it was a coward's act, a monstrous thing to do, and tried his best to head it off, but how that scandal flew! A hundred people started out its horrid wrath to tame, but where it went the spotless page was never quite the same; they fought it, killed it, buried it, they thought it gone, forsooth; but by and

by it came to life and wore the guise of truth. It kept upon its hurtling way with venom in its dart, it turned the sunshine into gloom, it broke a tender heart. Oh, what an easy thing to send a word upon the track; but when it's gone, it grows more lusty every hour, it waxes fat and gay; be careful how you start a word of scandal on its way.

Series of Parish Suppers, to be Given During the Winter

At a meeting of the ladies of the Parish held on Wednesday afternoon, October 14th, it was decided to hold **A Series of Eight Monthly Suppers** in the Parish House on the first Tuesday evening of each month, beginning on Tuesday, November 3rd from 6 until 7.30 o'clock. The purpose of these suppers is to realize money toward the extinguishment of the Parish debt and also to bring the people of the parish together in social intercourse. The supper will be fifty cents—four dollars for the series of eight months. It is hoped that all members of the Parish will reserve the **first Tuesday of each month** for their supper and, together with their friends, will attend as many as possible of the series throughout the winter. If every one in the Parish will be faithful in attending these suppers a large sum of money may be realized toward meeting the Parish House debt and an opportunity will be afforded of greeting people in the parish and of welcoming new comers to the Church. Single supper tickets, fifty cents each, or a "series ticket," good for eight suppers and reserved seat each month, four dollars, may be secured from any of the ladies below named who will be in charge of the supper each month:

Tuesday, November 3rd—Mrs. Keith R. Rodney, Mrs. W. N. Johnson, Mrs. A. Cannon.

Tuesday, December 8th—Mrs. Sheldon Potter, Mrs. Lawrence Simcox, Mrs. James M. Ritter.

Tuesday, January 5th—Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, Mrs. Edwin F. Kamerly, Mrs. H. L. Reid, Mrs. L. F. Schaeffer.

Tuesday, February 2nd—Mrs. J. I. Morrison, Mrs. Charles Heyer Mrs. James M. Woodroffe.

Tuesday, March 2nd—Mrs. George T. Morgan, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, Mrs. R. H. Morris.

Tuesday, April 6th—Mrs. Edward Bains, Miss Bessie Chase Mrs. U. G. Rowley.

Tuesday, May 4th—Mrs. Henry R. Barremore, Mrs. Frank Wells, Mrs. James A. Aull.

Tuesday, June 1st—Mrs. Alexander R. Cheston, Mrs. John Shinn, Mrs. Henry Marot.

Let every member of the Parish arrange to take supper on the first Tuesday of each month at the Parish House. After the supper a pleasant evening will be spent in an informal Parish social. Remember the date of the first Parish supper, Tuesday, November 3rd!

The English Church and the Reformation

A Statement of Facts

The following is condensed from The Diocese of Chicago, and was called forth by the discussion in regard to the statements made in the public school text books in connection with the reign of Henry the Eighth and his relation to the English Reformation.)

Inasmuch as the text-books of English history commonly used in American public schools give a misleading impression as to what happened to the English Church at the Reformation, the following statement is offered for use in the schools by way of supplement.

First, as to what did not happen:

The present church of England was not founded in the sixteenth century, either by Henry VIII or by any one else: but is the same Church which existed in England from ancient days. What happened in the sixteenth century was a rejection of the supremacy over the English Church of the foreign Bishop of Rome, a rejection of certain mediæval beliefs and a removal of certain mediæval practices which were regarded as abuses. The same Church remained, having es-

entially the same worship and sacraments, preserving without break the ancient episcopate, retaining its property and Church buildings, and claiming to retain the Catholic faith and religion, freed only from what were regarded as mediæval additions.

What really happened:

1531 A. D.: Henry VIII demanded that the Convocation of the English Church should acknowledge him to be the "Supreme Head of the English Church and Clergy." The Bishops objected to this on the ground that such language implied spiritual headship. The king thereupon explained that he claimed no such headship, but only the ancient power of the crown to see that the spiritual authority discharged its functions without damage to the realm. Thereupon, in order to bear witness to this limitation, the clergy added an explanatory clause and acknowledged the king to be the "Supreme Head," "so far as the law of Christ allows." The real design of this was to exclude all interference by the Pope with English concerns.

1534: Convocation declared that "the Bishop of Rome hath not by Scripture any greater authority in England than any other foreign bishop." This completed the process of casting off papal government over the English Church, but it left that Church the same Church, which claimed still to be the ancient Catholic Church of England.

Services on All Saint's Day

Holy Communion—7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion (Choral) Sermon—
11.30 A. M.
Evening service, sermon—7.45 P. M.

Kalendar for November

Nov. 1st, All Saints' Day—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
Nov. 8th,—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
Nov. 15th—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
Nov. 22nd—Sunday next before Advent.
Nov. 26th—Thanksgiving Day.
Day.
Nov. 29th—First Sunday in Advent.
Nov. 30th—S. Andrew.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Athletic Association—First Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d

and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy (Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union (First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Sunday School

The Sunday School has now entered on its regular course of instruction and all scholars and Teachers who have been absent during the Summer sessions are urged to return to their places in the Parish House.

The Acts of the Apostles and the story of the early church is the subject selected by the General Board of Religious Education for this school year. This has been found to be particularly interesting and instructive.

On the first Sunday in October the Teachers and many of the older scholars attended Communion at the early service and afterwards enjoyed a breakfast together at the Parish House.

The time thus spent together was a fitting commencement for the Fall and Winter Course. The Rector during the breakfast hour read a very practical paper on the duties, opportunities and privileges of Teachers in a Sunday School.

The registered attendance is at this time a little larger than last year.

Several Teachers who have been a great help to the school in the past have found it impossible to take classes this year.

An appeal to the Congregation at Christ Church is not made for a few earnest men and women who felt that they can devote themselves to this great work.

G. T. M.

Another word in reference to the Progressiveness of our Sunday School on Saturday afternoon November 7, the following little girls of the Intermediate Department:

Ruth Miles, Louse Wells, Margaret Wells, Margaret Hannon, Adelaide Hagan, Marie Taylor, Elizabeth Wertsner, Constance Van Dusen, Helen McHenry, Edith Johnson, Margaret Brown Gertrude Brooker.

Will meet at the home of Mrs. Belfield, where the little ones will organize a Club at which they will be taught to make many little delicacies to be distributed by the children to many of the sick in the Parish.

Daughters of the King

Those who could of the Daughters of the King met on Thursday evening during the Summer at Mrs. Geo. Wertsner's and decorated fans and made Books and folders for the Hospitals, we took 33 fans to the Germantown Hospital and 9 to the Home for Consumptives at Chestnut Hill, the Books and folders are still to be disposed of.

Thanks are due to Mrs. Wertsner for the use of her home, and also for the entertainment every evening.

On the evening of August 3rd, Mr. Beckett held a service in the Church for the Daughters of the King, he took for his text, "As thy servant was busy here and there lo he was gone." He spoke of the importance of recognizing the right course when there are so many open. After the service Mrs. Belfield invited us into the Rectory where she entertained us very bountifully, and we had a very pleasant time.

E. L. M.

Athletic Association

At the last meeting held in the Parish House it was decided that the organization should turn its attention to indoor activities. The girls have organized two basket-ball teams which play every Thursday evening and are to provide an exhibition game at the next regular meeting.

The men of the club met at the home of Mr. Beckett on Thursday, October 8th, and arranged to provide and serve the refreshments at the next regular meeting the first Thursday in November.

It is hoped to make this one of the many pleasant times planned for the winter. As the season for tennis waned the interest was allowed to decrease. The club has still something to work for. An additional court would be a great advantage.

Let us lend our energies so that at the opening of the next tennis season we may have two courts instead of one.

The Girls Friendly Society

The G. F. S. is planning a very busy time this month. We are to hold the annual G. F. S. neighborhood Conference of the Germantown District at Christ Church.

St. Michael's Friendly will help us and we expect to entertain about three hundred girls at supper. The Conference in the evening will be addressed by Dr. C. S. Schmucker.

The Germantown District is made up of twelve Branches including some out of town Branches.

It is a great pleasure to meet the G. F. S. girls from different parts of the City.

The Conference will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday evening, October 27 at 8 o'clock. All members of the Parish are invited to attend this conference.

Our girls will have a dancing class this winter to meet once a month. We have a good teacher and we expect to have a very pleasant time.

We shall have more members in our Branch of the G. F. S. Are there not many girls who have lately come into our Parish who would like to join?

We would be glad to welcome any new member at any of our regular meetings every Tuesday night at 8.00 o'clock.

P. M.

Men's Club

There will be a meeting of the men of the Parish on Friday, November 13th in the Parish House. The committee on arrangements are putting forth every effort to make this evening an interesting and enjoyable one.

There will be good speakers, refreshments and cigars.

All the men of the Parish are cordially invited to be present to help make this the best time you have ever enjoyed. It is hoped that the spirit which was shown at the last meeting will not be allowed to lapse. Having started the ball rolling let us strive to make these occasions of "good cheer" to look forward to in our Parish life.

Dramatics

On Friday evening, November 6th, the young men of the S. S. C. assisted by the Boys Brigade will give an entertainment consisting of two sketches in the Parish House. One will be a suffragette play entitled "How the vote was won." The other will be "The Merchant of Venice" (slightly revised). These plays will be under the direction of Miss Martha Noyes of the Noyes Dramatic School, 1720 Chestnut Street.

Tickets may be secured from members of the Sunday School and the Boy's Brigade.

The proceeds will be devoted towards the expense of publishing the Chimes. This is the oldest Parish paper, which has been published continuously, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. We all have a share in its success you now have an opportunity to show your appreciation in a substantial way.

The Embroidery Guild

On the first Thursday in October the Embroidery Guild resumed its meetings for the winter. These meetings will be held every Thursday afternoon at 2.00 o'clock in the Parish House. A cordial invitation is extended to all, who are desirous of assisting in this work, and are requested to give their names to Miss Bertha Chase. As there are no dues for membership the Guild asks for gifts of money for material, for stoles, as several are now needed.

The offering on the First Sunday in Oct., which was the Sunday devoted to prayer and intercession for peace among the nations now at war, amounted to \$48.37. This will be divided equally between the needs of the poor of the Parish and the work of the Red Cross Society in Europe. Persons who have not contributed to this object are invited to send their offering to the Accounting Warden. Mr. J. I. Morrison, 636 Westview Ave., or to the Rector.

PARISH REGISTER

BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Sept. 6—Virginia Rowland Elliott

Oct. 4—Nelson West Wunder

Oct. 11—John Davidson Courtney

Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Sept. 2—Claude R. Clymer

Anna G. McConnell

Sept. 15—Ralph Lister Flower

Marion Mair Swope

Sept. 30—Edwin R. Wood

Annie T. McCormick

Oct. 14—Howard Marshall Van Loan

Elsie Marguerite Greiders

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

Sept. 10—Thomas Lister Flower

Sept. 24—James P. Henderson

October 2—Ethel Lee Cathcart

October 7—Joseph Watts

October 15—Mary Ann Powell

October 15—Alma Stallberg

Memorial Flowers

Flowers on the Altar during the month of November will be in loving memory of the following persons:

First Sunday—Ralph Wilkinson

Second Sunday—George Parker

Third Sunday—Unassigned

Fourth Sunday—Stephen T. Beale

Thanksgiving Day—

John B. Falkner, Jr.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Morning Prayer

Let me today do something that shall take

A little sadness from the world's vast store,

And may I be so favored as to make

Of joys too scanty sum a little more.

Let me not hurt, by any selfish deed

Or thoughtless word, the heart of foe or friend;

Nor would I pass, unseeing, worthy need,

Or sin by silence when I should defend,

However meagre be my worldly wealth

Let me give something that shall aid my kind,

A word of courage, or a thought of health,

Dropped as I pass for troubled hearts to fid,

Let me to-night look back across the span

"Twix dawn and dark, and to my conscience say—

Because of some good act to beast or man—

"The world is better that I lived to-day."

Envelope System

The Duplex Envelope System affords an opportunity for every one to give something, in a systematic way. It is not so much the amount that is given as it teaches us to be regular in our habit of giving. Our children ought to be taught the privilege of sharing in the extension of the Kingdom of God. This we may do by giving to each boy or girl his or her own envelopes, so that they may learn to contribute in a regular systematic way.

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the vergier.

The Parish has been wonderfully blessed in the past. In the present, it has great responsibilities. Every soulder put to the wheel makes the burden lighter. Action equals reaction. Those who contribute of their means receive in return a deeper interest in the work. It becomes their work. We spend ourselves for those we love. Is this not also true with regard to our substance.

Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops

Issued at a special meeting held October 8, 1914, at
St. Mark's Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota

To the Clergy and People of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

YOUR House of Bishops, assembled in the City of Minneapolis to elect Missionary Bishops, cannot adjourn without sending you this message:

The War in Europe, with immeasurable and universal sorrow and distress, lays upon the Christian people of this country peculiar responsibilities and opportunities.

Accepting in loyalty and with gratitude the leadership of the President of the United States in the cause of peace in both Europe and America, we urge you that as brethren of the people of all nations, you sustain a spirit of forbearance, be careful in expressions of judgment; and while not unthoughtful, and still less unfeeling, that you encourage the exercise of an honest neutrality.

In the presence of this distress, we urge simplicity and economy in expenditure, and such restraint in pleasures and luxuries as will express the seriousness of temper consonant with the affections and sorrows of our brethren.

We urge all people to continue to pray earnestly to GOD for peace such as will bring justice and international good will.

We also urge that in view of the great destruction of property and shrinkage of incomes, the spirit of self-sacrifice be called into willing action, that the benevolences and beneficences of religion, charity, and missions may not suffer loss.

This is the more imperative in view of the fact that, for the time being, the burden of the world's work is likely to fall chiefly upon the shoulders of Christian America, and the leadership in these activities is thrust into our hands.

Amidst the shakings of the powers of the earth stand the eternal forces of God's Spirit; under His Providence these forces give protection and make for freedom, justice, and peace. Let our faith in them and the power of their might be strong, and when peace shall have been restored, may we with grateful hearts take up resolutely and cheerfully the duties of peace.

Choir Notes

On Wednesday evening, November 11th, 8.00 P. M. The combined choirs of Christ Church and St. Thomas's Church of Whitemarsh will render the Holy City an Oratorio composed by A. R. Gaul.

The treatment of the subject of this work is almost entirely reflective, the more dramatic parts of the book from which many of the numbers are taken, viz: the Vision of St. John, having already been treated in so masterly a manner by the great German composer Louis Sphor, in his Oratorio, "The Last Judgment."

The first part of the "Holy City" was suggested by the passage of scripture, "Here have we no continuing city," "Thy Kingdom come," and sets forth the desire for a higher life, as expressed in the words, "My soul is athirst for God," which desire is followed by other passages expressive of the perfection of the higher life, such as "Eye hath not seen."

The second part was suggested by the words, "I saw a new Heaven and a new earth, for the first Heaven and the first earth were passed away," thus realizing the desire and promises contained in the first part.

With the exception of two hymns, a verse from Milton and three verses from the Te Deum, the words are entirely scriptural.

E. K. M.

The Woman's Auxiliary

The Women's Auxiliary will hold its first monthly meeting on the first Thursday in November at 10.30 in the Parish House.

It is earnestly desired that the women of the Parish will consider their conscientious and religious duty to be present at these meetings and do everything possible to advance the cause of missions in our Parish.

Mrs. John A. Ely, teacher of Art in St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai, expects to address the Auxiliary some morning in November, (the date will be announced later) and it is earnestly hoped that a large audience will greet Mrs. Ely at this meeting.

The Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club will hold its first meeting of the season the last Thursday in October.

Your Librarian trusts that there will be a free and generous outpouring of magazines and books as well as donations of money for the carrying on of this work from Christ Church Parish, this year.

L. J. Johnson, Librarian

Just a year ago, one of our most faithful and earnest workers, Mary Dahl, passed away.

Several of the Societies of which she was a member, desire to furnish a room in the Parish House as a Memorial to her.

Any person in the Parish desirous of helping the cause may send their contributions of money to the Rector.

A. W.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
} 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. }

Christmas Day falls this year on Fri-
day. Every Christian will want to
observe this day as a Christian Festival
and will want to "Come and Worship,
worship Christ the new-born King."
The hour of service on Christmas Day
have been arranged that all may avail
themselves of this privilege; that all
may come and receive anew into their
hearts the Christ; that all; on this day
when the Saviour came into the world,
may dedicate themselves anew to Him
and to His cause.

The hours of services on Christmas
Day morning will be as follows: Holy
Communion, 6.30, 7.30 and 11.00 o'clock
with sermon.

The offering at all services will be
for the Aged and Infirm Clergy. This
worthy object will strongly appeal to
the generosity of every Churchman.

The Rector hopes to see present at
one or other of the services Every
Communicant of Christ Church. He
cordially invites, also, all other com-
municants in this vicinity who may not
be able to attend the services of their
own Church. A Christmas without
Christ is unthinkable; it is a sacri-
ligious parody, just as a Christian life
without Christ is a given tragedy.

The meaning of "Christ-mas"—is
"Christ Communion." They who
would make it something more than a
mere secular holiday will, therefore,

make it a holiday of gladness and of
joy and draw near unto Christ on that
day and will fall down before Him, as
the wise men did of old, and worship
Him.

A Midnight Service will be held, as
usual on New Year's Eve in Christ
Church, beginning at eleven o'clock.
A new order of service from that of
other years has been prepared and co-
pies will be found on the tables in the
vestibules.

There can be no more fitting way to
end the old and to begin the new year
than by spending the time in medita-
tion and prayer in the House of God.
Opportunities for reflection and medi-
tation come too seldom in the lives of
most people. We all need, more often,
to look back on the past life; to real-
ize its short comings, its failure, its
sins; to take a fresh start, with more
earnestness, more helpfulness, more ef-
fort, with more consecration, with more
prayer; to involve, by God's help to
make our live purer and higher, and
holier.

It is sin that brings so much un-
happiness and misery into our lives.
And it is Christ alone who can bring
into our hearts the truest happiness
and the highest joy.

Let everyone, therefore, as this old
year—so full of sin and warfare and

suffering—draws to a close, earnestly pray that the terrible warfare on earth may cease, that universal peace may be established among all nations, that the hearts of men, everywhere, may turn unto God and find Him; that the Kingdom of Jesus Christ—the kingdom of love and peace and goodwill—may reign in the hearts of all men.

As the Chimes in our Church tower shall peal forth, on New Year's Eve, a joyous welcome to the coming New Year, let each one's prayer be the prayer so beautifully expressed in Tennyson's "In Memoriam:"

"Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty night;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out the slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of petty strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shaper of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousands wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Christmas Giving

Are we becoming more sensible, more Christian in our Christmas preparations?

It is to be hoped that we are. But how often is giving of presents at Christmas time attended with extravagance and the incurring of debt! Such giving is a travesty on the spirit Christmas Friendship and Love are not to be measured in dollars and cents. Why, then, should it be deemed ne-

cessary for the Christmas expression of these qualities to be given in articles that bear no suggestion of the day and the purchase of which is an extravagant waste, which the giver cannot afford, and the recipient deems a burden to be reciprocated by a gift of similar value?

What hypocrisies are many of our Christmas gifts!

Will not Christian people begin to Christianize their gifts? That means first that they shall be true expression of friendship, and second that they shall involve no burden of debt on the part of the giver nor sense of obligation on that of the recipient. The simple, appropriate Christmas card, selected for the suitable expression engraved upon it, or an inexpensive book, with beautiful thoughts of Christian love in it, is a truer portrayal of the Christmas spirit than, under ordinary circumstances, any gift of great intrinsic value could be. A sheet of paper, with one's own individual Christmas wishes written to a friend upon it, may be still more fitting.

Let us expel from our Christmas giving extravagance, the incurring of debt, reciprocal burdens. Let us bring back into our Christmas giving the simplicity of spirit, tenderness of personal attention, sincerity of true friendship and love.

Then will our gifts be after the spirit and in the name of Him, who is Himself the true Christmas Gift,—the gift to the world of the Father's love.

In so far as we hold ourselves back from a communion with Christ, perfect and complete as we can make it, something in us must die; for He in His fulness of life is ready for us, and we in our need of life are so pathetically ready for Him. Now and unceasingly, the hour strikes afresh for our souls to achieve their destiny in Christ. It is the supreme business of every soul to see that at not a single striking of that hour shall it be possible to say, in regard to its relationship with the appealing Christ, that the Christ came unto His own and His own received Him not.—Henry W. Clark.



The Story of the Virgin

Six months after the appearance of the Angel Gabriel to Zacharias in the Temple, he was sent from God to Nazareth, a secluded village unknown and unnamed in the Old Testament, hidden away amongst the hills of Galilee, and within the limits of the ancient tribe of Zebulun. At this village there lived a lowly Virgin named Mary, or Miriam. She belonged to the royal tribe of Judah, and the lineage of David (Lk. 1, 32; Rom. i, 3), and was connected by marriage with Elisabeth (Lk. 1, 27), who belonged to the tribe of Levi. Moreover, she was at this time betrothed to Joseph, who occupied a humble position as a carpenter

at Nazareth, but like herself was of the lineage of David. (Lk. 1, 27; ii, 4).

To this lowly Virgin, the angel now appeared, and announced that by virtue of the operation of the Holy Ghost, she should become the mother of a Son whom she was to call Jesus (God the Saviour). He should be great, and should be called the Son of the Highest should sit on the throne of His father David, and reign over the house of Jacob for ever (Lk. i, 30—33). Though at first startled at the sudden address of an angelic visitant (Lk. 1, 29), the Virgin received his announcement with implicit faith, and prayed that it might be with her according to his word (Lk. i, 38) and being informed of what had

occured to her relative Elisabeth, arose with haste to seek out her home amidst the Judean hills. The journey of four or five days accomplished, she reached the humble abode, and had had no sooner crossed the threshold, and saluted the aged wife of Zacharias, than the other addressed her as the mother of her Lord, and fully confirmed the words of the angel. Thus assured of the certainty of the mighty event about to happen, the lowly virgin, like Hannah at the birth of Samuel, burst forth into words of holy praise and exultation, and gave utterance to the inspired hymn, which is used in our Evening Prayer, under the name of the Magnificat and remains one of the most precious treasures of the Church, and the most familiar of her hymns (Lk. i, 46-56).

Confirmation Class

Immediately after the holidays the Rector will organize the annual confirmation classes and will begin in January a course of Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. As soon as the Class is formed the dates of these Instructions will be determined upon and announced in the next issue of the Chimes. All persons who are thinking of being confirmed are asked to give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to confer with any who wish to speak to him on the subject and an invitation is extended to all persons, confirmed or unconfirmed, to attend the lectures. The Bishop expects (D.V.) to visit this Parish in Lent.

Repentance

Ascertain clearly what is wrong with you; and so far as you know any means of mending it, take those means, and have done; when you are examining yourself, never call yourself merely a "sinner," that is very cheap abuse; and utterly useless. You may even get to like it, and be proud of it. But call yourself a liar, a coward, a sluggard, a glutton, or an evil-eyed, jealous wretch if you indeed find yourself to be in any wise any of these. Take steady means to check yourself in whatever fault you

have ascertained and justly accused yourself of. And as soon as you are in an active way of mending, you will be no more inclined to mourn over an undefined corruption. For the rest, you will find it less easy to uproot faults than to choke them by gaining virtues.—Ruskin.

The Church Year

Such a complete life is pictured in the Church's year. It has its Advent, Nativity, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday. It fills the year with its increasing, slowly maturing beauty. This is the true meaning of the year, with all its sacred seasons. Let us be true Churchmen and give it all its richness. Only dear friends, we do not really honor the venerable beauty of the church's calendar when we make it a badge of our denominational distinction, or deck its seasons out with all the trickery of colored altar-cloths, purple and white and green, but when we see in it the story of a human life slowly ripened from God's first purpose to the full-grown glorified manhood and standing before God's presence, and sending forth God's power to its fellowmen.—Philips Brooks.

Envelope System

The Accounting Warden is gratified in receiving of late, quite a number of contributions from envelope subscribers who have fallen in arrears. He does not wish to be importunate in his requests that persons in arrears shall pay up in full, but he would respectfully state that all who can do so will greatly facilitate him in meeting the financial demands upon the Parish, if they will enclose in their envelopes amounts due and place them on the plate at their earliest convenience.

By far the most of the envelope subscribers contribute regularly and are prompt in making up their arrears, but there are some who, either through ignorance of their arrears or through neglect, appear on the church books behind in their contributions. If these persons will please respond at their earliest convenience their contributions will be appreciated.

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Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Athletic Association—First Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for January

Jan. 1st—Circumcision
 Jan. 3rd—Second Sunday after Christmas.
 Jan. 6th—Epiphany.
 Jan. 10th—First Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 17th—Second Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 24th—Third Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 25th—Conversion of St. Paul.
 Jan. 31st—Septuagesima.

FROM PARISH REGISTER
BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign thee with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Dec. 3—Robert Emerson Day

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Dec. 2—Frank Roberts Suddars and Robenia Elizabeth Fletcher.

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

Nov. 11—Paris M. Mitchell
 Nov. 18—Nathaniel Hall Jones
 Dec. 10—John H. Warner

Sunday School

The Christmas entertainment will be given in the Sunday School room on the evening of December 29.

The members of the Girls Friendly have prepared a series of tableaux to illustrate "Grandmother's Album."

The scholars of the Intermediate department will present a story called "Christmas Gifts from other Lands" and also will be seen in a very pretty exhibition called a Wand Drill.

A Christmas story will be told illustrated by stereopticon.

On the afternoon of the same day Tuesday, December 29, the Primary Department will have their entertainment which will consist of Christmas stories, pictures and carols at three o'clock.

Christmas Day Services

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion and sermon 11 o'clock. The offering will be for the Aged and Infirm clergy.

New Year's Eve—Midnight Service

A New Year's Eve service will be held in Christ Church beginning at eleven o'clock. The church will be open all evening and persons are invited to come early and devote the time in meditation and prayer.

Change of Day for Monthly Suppers

The next monthly Parish Supper will be given in the first Thursday in January instead of Tuesday.

This change to Thursday evening is made in response to requests from a number of housekeepers who find it more convenient to take their suppers in the Parish House on Thursdays.

It is, therefore, hoped that the next monthly Parish Supper given on Thursday evening, January 7th, from six until seven o'clock will be largely attended. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come to the Parish House on that evening and help to make these monthly Parish Suppers a social and a financial success. The price of the supper is fifty cents. The committee in charge for the January supper is Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, Mrs. Edwin F. Kamerly, Mrs. H. L. Reid, and Mrs. L. F. Schaeffer.

Pew Renters

During the past month pews or sittings have been rented to the following:

Pew, Mr. Neville B. Craig
 Pew, William H. Wells
 Pew, Frederick Lennig

The Warden reports that there are only two full pews available in the center aisle. There are, however, parts of pews still unrented in the Church. The pew rents are graduated in price so as to be within the reach of all. Persons who desire to rent pews or sittings are invited to confer with the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service or by appointment.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

The Christ Church Chapter of the Junior Brotherhood entertained the Junior Chapter of the Church of St. Simeon, 9th and Lehigh Ave., on November 10th.

Both Chapters turned out well. The meeting was opened by Mr. Brightly director of the St. Simeons' Chapter, who used the St. Simeon's form of service to which the boys responded heartily. Mr. Beckett acted as chairman of the meeting, and after a few words of welcome called upon several speakers, among them Mr. Gerley who spoke of Brotherhood work in the South; Mr. Gerhard who told us about the Atlanta Convention; Mr. MacIntosh, vice director of St. Simeons' Chapter who told us of the interesting work in the matter of Saturday afternoon outings which they had accomplished during the summer and were to undertake during the winter.

Mr. Brightly also gave us some suggestions in the matter of a Brotherhood Programme. After prayer and benediction by the Rector the members and guests enjoyed ice cream and cake and candy in the adjoining room.

It is hoped that the inspiration which the members gathered from this meeting may continue throughout the year.

On December 15th the Christ Church Chapter will be entertained by the St. Simeons' Chapter and it is hoped that all the members of our Chapter will be able to be present.

The Fall meeting of the Philadelphia Local Assembly was held at St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia on St. Andrew's Day. Evening Prayer in the Church was held at 5.30.

At 6 o'clock the Junior and Seniors separated for individual conferences.

The Junior Conference was opened with prayer by the Rev. Robert M. Beckett of the Christ Church Chapter.

Three members from Christ Church attended the conference. Henry Ritter the treasurer of our local organization spoke at the conference.

The following have made application for membership:

Robert Montgomery
 James Aull
 Paul Manser

Daughters of the King

The Devotional meeting of the Daughters of the King was held November 16th, and was very well attended. The Rev. Robert M. Beckett opened the meeting and also gave us a very interesting talk, leaving with us the thoughts of watchfulness, prayer and steadfastness in connection with our opportunity and work as Daughter's.

Reports were made of visits to the sick and the hospital.

The regular meeting, December 7th, was not very well attended because of the weather and therefore no business or reports were made. E. Q.

Junior Auxiliary

It is a pleasure to note at this time the great advance both in the spirit of work and increase in membership made by the Junior Auxiliary.

The little ones have been busier than the proverbial busy bee. They have packed a box which has been sent to Miss Rowe at the Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn., with both useful and pleasant gifts to less fortunate children. In addition they have been sewing very industriously upon clothing for the Belgium babies. Twelve yards of flannel have been donated by both Mrs. Johnstone and Mrs. Bamford which is being made up into clothing.

The membership has now reached 21 with an average attendance of 15.

At the last meeting the members enjoyed a tea party as a respite from their tedious work.

A great deal of credit is due to those who have this work in charge and it deserves every encouragement. Its value lies not only in the number of articles sent out by the organization, but in fact that they as children learn to do something for others and that it should be done as carefully and well as one has the skill to do it.

Do not forget the Monthly Parish Supper to be given in the Parish House Thursday evening, January 7th, from 6 to 7 o'clock. A good supper for fifty cents and a pleasant time.

The Vestment Guild

The Vestment Guild held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 8, at 3 o'clock in the Parish House. The weather being exceedingly inclement, the full number were not present, and there being no special business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.

At a special meeting the following officers were elected:

Chairman—Mrs. Topliff Johnson

Treasurer—Mrs. Sheldon Potter

Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Laurence

In charge of Clergy's Vestments—Miss Bessie Chase.

In charge of choir vestments—Mrs. Thacher.

Mrs. Laurence Simcox was appointed to fill a vacancy on the committee and will serve with Mrs. Laurence on the fourth Sunday in the choir room.

The Woman's Auxiliary

On Tuesday morning, November the twenty-fourth a special meeting was held in the Parish House at half past ten o'clock, to hear an address by Mrs. Ely, teacher of Art in St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China. A short business meeting preceded the address, when the officers for the year were elected. They were Mrs. Morrison, President; Mrs. Morgan, Vice President; Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Secretary; Mrs. Kamerly, Treasurer. Mr. Arndt introduced the speaker, who for over one hour talked to us of the church's opportunity in China and how she is meeting it. We were told of the condition of women in past and of the wonderful changes brought about by the Revolution. At present, China is in a plastic state and it is for us to mold her into a Christian Nation.

Our schools and universities are doing a noble work; but only a small part of what they might do, if we would give them greater facilities. Mrs. Ely spoke of the different departments of St. Mary's school and of the great importance of the Normal department in sending active teachers into all parts of China. Bishop Lloyd has said that "One Native Christian teacher is worth twenty missionaries. No one who heard Mrs. Ely could fail to be thrilled by her enthusiasm and

deeply impressed by the wonderful opportunity offered to us to do the work of the Master; by prayers and gifts for missions.

After the address all were invited to remain for luncheon, to meet Mrs. Ely and hear more of her very interesting work.

On Thursday, December the third, was held the regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary at which the several committees were appointed to attend the Diocesan meetings at the Church House. The following persons were chosen:

The Domestic:

Mrs. Heyer, Mrs. Kamerly, Mrs. Fix.

The Diocesan:

Miss Fell, Mrs. Rowley, Mrs. Schaeffer.

Indian Hope:

Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Modgrige.

Colored:

Mrs. Gerhard.

Foreign:

Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Simcox, Mrs. Morrison.

Germantown Convention:

Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Mrs. Schaeffer, and one or more from the Diocesan Committee.

A. M. M.

The Girls Friendly Society

The Girls Friendly has been very busy this winter, we have held classes in several different subjects, and had a very successful dancing class. This Christmas we are filling twenty-five stockings for the poor children. The stockings were a gift from a kind friend in the Sunday School and the girls are going to bring the gifts to fill them. Some of the stockings are going to Blockley where there are about one hundred and fifty children, and very often they are forgotten at the happy Christmas time. We are also going to have charge of the Sunday School entertainment this year. We are working very hard and we hope it will be a great success. We have had a number of new members lately, which is quite encouraging, but we want more. Every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

P. M.

Diocesan Fair

The Diocesan Fair for the benefit of St. Martha's Settlement House, which was held the 3rd, 4th and 5th of December at Horticultural Hall, Broad and Locust Streets, was a creation of beauty and a wonderful success.

The Settlement House is the only diocesan one we have, consequently it is the ward of every parish in the diocese. These fairs are held about every ten years, and each church is assigned the wares it is to sell, the rest is left to it to work out as it so desires—the results at this time were most unique and beautiful, Christ Church having failed to receive its notice until late in the autumn, decided to make a donation in money—the collection for which amounted to \$25 and St. Luke's kindly asked this parish to co-operate with her in selling her articles which were "china." Three women were appointed on the committee from Christ Church:

Mrs. Baremore, Mrs. W. N. Johnson, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, Mrs. Keith Rodney, also three aids: Miss Regina Baremore, Miss Margaret Falkner, Miss Phyllis Morgan.

The financial results of the fair were something over \$6,000.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club will dispatch its usual Christmas box and its annual library to Farmington, Mass.

This place was selected on account of a plea that came from the rector of the Church of the Advent there who wrote to the Church Periodical Club Secretary asking to be helped in forming a library and reading room in this small town, where at present there were no saloons and he hoped to interest the towns people in coming to a pleasant and instructive place like this, before a saloon found its way into the village and enticed the men and boys within its fold.

So the Pennsylvania branch has assumed this as its Christmas work and through the generosity of Christ Church people, the librarian has been able to send a large box of toys and about 50 books.

Persons in the congregation who have books or periodicals they can spare are invited to communicate with the Secretary of the parish branch and the names and addresses of persons who will appreciate the literature.

Address Mrs. Topliffe Johnson
430 Locust Ave., Gtn.

The cooking class which meets on Saturday afternoon in the Parish House under the direction of Mrs. Belfield is having profitable as well as enjoyable afternoons. It is very interesting to see how well the children are taking hold of the work. There is always some delicacy for the sick prepared at these meetings.

Athletic Association

The association held its regular monthly meeting December 3rd in the Parish House.

In the absence of the President Mr. Beckett acted as chairman, a committee was appointed to arrange a social for New Year's Eve.

Also a committee on "Pins" for the organization was appointed.

The Girls have been playing basketball in the gymnasium on Thursday evenings.

Since the last issue the Subscription Editor gratefully acknowledges receipts of Subscriptions to the "Chimes" from the following:

Miss Bessie Gomersall
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Subscriptions may be sent to Miss Edith Quay, 6339 Germantown Ave., or to Mr. Stanley Wilcox, 82 W. Johnson St., Germantown.

Monthly Parish Supper in the Parish House, Thursday, January 7th, 6 to 7 P. M. Shut up the house and bring the family.

Christ Church, Germantown

Statement of offering by Sundays, excluding the morning cash collections on the first Sunday in the month of November, 1914.

Nov. 1.	
Missions	\$19.43
Church Support	60.10
Plate Collections	4.99
Total	\$84.52
November 8th:	
Missions	\$11.25
Church Support	50.10
Plate Collections	17.88
Total	\$79.21
November 15th:	
Missions	\$ 9.32
Church Support	47.65
Plate Collections	6.89
Total	\$63.86
November 22nd:	
Missions	\$16.28
Church Support	72.65
Plate Collections	19.61
Total	\$108.54
November 29th:	
Missions	\$ 9.14
Church Support	37.55
Plate Collections	25.53
Total	\$72.22
Grand Total	\$408.35

Christ Church Germantown

Financial statement of the condition of the Parish for seven months ending November 30, 1914.

Cash Receipts

Envelopes-Missions	\$ 396.72
Envelopes, church support..	1, 599.18
Plate collections	389.31
Pew Rents	1,210.75
Easter Offerings	150.00
Miscellaneous	158.03
For special purposes	327.08
Borrowed of Bank	1,200.00
	\$5,431.07

Disbursements

For net obligations of previous year	\$ 783.75
For salaries of Clergy	2,299.96
For Salaries of Choir and Chimes	879.54
For Taxes, Water and Insurance	278.60
For Fuel and Lights	178.05
For Repairs	55.40
For Laundry	25.13
For Interest on Mortgage ..	168.50
For supplies and sundries ..	177.97
For special purposes	220.79
For Missions	69.57

\$5,137.26
Balance—Cash in Bank \$293.81

List of Unpaid Items, Nov. 30, 1914

Due the bank	\$1,200.00
Walter J. Crowder Co., coal	213.75
Geo. H. King, Missions	327.15
Miscellaneous	9.60

\$1,750.50

Note:—From the above statement it will be noted that \$783.75 indebtedness is brought over from last year. The indebtedness for the past seven months amounts to \$650.00. This total indebtedness should be cancelled in full by Easter and will be done if a generous response is made on the part of every member in the Parish.

J. I. Morrison,
Accounting Warden

Monthly Parish Suppers

The second of the monthly Parish Suppers was held in the Parish House on December 1st, with a larger attendance than any thus far given. All present were unanimous in their appreciation of the bountiful supper furnished by the committee and a pleasant social evening was enjoyed by those who attended. A vote of thanks was extended to the committee in charge, Mrs. Sheldon Potter, Mrs. Laurence Simcox, Mrs. Samuel Gerhardt and Mrs. Laurence.

Contributions for the Suffering Belgians

In addition to the Societies in the Parish which are making garments for the Belgian sufferers an alms box will found at the west door of the church in which members of the congregation are invited to place their contribution for this purpose.

The Sunday School Christmas service will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 27th at half past three o'clock. The School will sing their Christmas carols and addresses will be made by the Superintendent, Mr. George T. Morgan and by the Rev. Robert M. Beckett. A cordial invitation is extended to the parents and friends of the School to be present.

Neighborhood Club

The November and December meetings of the Neighborhood (Men's) Club of Christ Church were pronounced successes in every way. A very fair number of the men of this vicinity attended each gathering.

At the meeting held on November the thirteenth we had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Bernard J. Newman, Field Secretary of the Philadelphia Housing Commission, explain that organization work in Germantown and Chestnut Hill. Mr. Newman is an interesting speaker, and his talk was illustrated with lantern slide pictures. Light refreshments were served by some of the young ladies of the Parish.

The December meeting was devoted to a discussion of the future of the Club and we look forward to a pleasant and useful season. The latter part of the evening was spent in singing popular songs and in enjoying the lunch prepared by the Executive Committee.

Any man connected with the Parish or residing in our vicinity may join the Neighborhood Club and an invitation is extended to the men to meet with us on the second Friday of each month. All meetings are held in the Parish House. There are no dues to the Club, the expenses being met by

the voluntary contributions of those present at each meeting.

The officers elected to serve the Club are President, O. N. Middleton; Vice President, C. H. Jackson; Secretary and Treasurer, C. L. Hayhurst. The Executive Committee consists of the above officers and Messrs H. W. Amerling, A. R. Cheston, S. Gerhard and Dr. W. A. Johnson.

The next meeting will be held on the evening of January 8th, 1915 when a pleasant time is promised. Come out and enjoy it with us!

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Christ Church Brigade Company 11, U. B. B. A.

At the recent election of the company W. H. Clarke was elected president, Lieut. Frank Else, Vice President; Sgt. Feist, financial Secretary, and Mr. Sutcliffe, Secretary. This meeting was held for reorganizing the company and putting it on a firm and systematic basis.

The company has been connected with the church since October, 1913 and I find by talking with several members of the church that the object of the organization as well as its benefits to the boys of the church and surrounding neighborhood are not fully understood.

The company is a Christian organization having for its object and motto the "Advancement of God's Kingdom among the Boys."

Every red-blood American boy has a fondness for things military and the Boys Brigade takes advantage of this tendency to reach and interest the boys. The military is but a means to an end to bringing the boys in closer contact with the Church and Christian principles.

Every company in the Boy's Brigade must be connected with the Church and meets once each week to drill, but before drilling a religious service must be held. It is also a rule that this company shall attend divine service, in uniform, the third Sunday of each month.

The military feature therefore accomplishes a two-fold purpose, it teaches the boy obedience, courtesy, love of country, and team work and by its religious activities it teaches them to love and reverence the one great Captain—Jesus the son of God.

Besides the military and religious features there are many things to instruct and interest the boys. Frequent hikes, scouting trips, sham-battles, parades, rallies, athletic competitions with other companies of the Boys' Brigade and a summer camp. On hikes the boys are taught how to build a fire and cook, first-aid and how to erect temporary shelter.

The Company drills every Friday night in the Parish House and visitors

are always welcome. I trust that the members of the church will show their interest in the work we are doing by visiting us.

Wm. H. Clarke.

Social Service in Christ Church

New ideas and new methods in the world's work are often heralded and popularized by some epitome or catch word or phrase.

In these days we hear much of "social service" in the work of the Church. Christ Church heard a course of sermons in explanation of it, and a Diocesan Committee has issued literature upon it. After all this new idea is a bit older than the declaration of Sinai, since God who created us, His children, wrote in our very being the commandment to love our neighbor as ourself. But Social Service is continually breaking out in new spots and in new ways. The Apostles could not help healing the sick and providing for the needy than, from overflowing hearts, making known the love of Christ and His wonderful salvation. Religion had more than its Sunday, sickness and sorrow aspects to them; it was a good thing for every minute's use. It was Life. It not only touched man on every side, but it was in him, a part of him and emanating from him in acts and words which warmed, brightened, comforted, and moved other lives.

The early Church was adaptive to the needs of its members.

It not only preached, it organized its Social Service and appointed seven to be over it, that the Apostles might give more time and attention to the preaching of the Word. So the modern Church has discovered anew that religion is not something to be applied from without, like an ointment or liniment, but part of the life and being of everyone, and to be awakened, not acquired. Social Service does not preach at men; it preaches to men in words and deeds and actions which show the interest and kindness of those who have awakened to the realization of their sonship for those who have not found their Father.

It recognizes man as God's creature and his wants as proceeding from his

being and therefore the concern of God and of his Church.

It does not divide the world's work into religious and secular, but into spiritual and physical, and it interprets the mysteries of the spiritual through the physical and reaches out to the soul through the body.

It is the adaptation of methods to conditions that is new. We have not a new thing in Social Service but a new method of rendering it.

Christ Church has a play ground, a play room and a parish house adapted for all kinds of Social Service work, and heretofore it has in large part left the serving of its tables to its Clergy, as well as the preaching of the Word,—the administration of the Sacraments,—the visitation of the sick,—the care of the poor and needy and the countless other cares, which, without the addition of new lines of work in Social Service, more than fully employed the time of the Rector and make heavy drafts upon his physical powers and nervous energy.

With a desire to lift these burdens from the Rector's shoulders and at the same time to more effectively organize the Social Service work of Christ Church, the Vestry has authorized the engagement of a layman to superintend and direct the work of the playground, the playroom, the athletic and social activities of the young and the social work among the men of the Parish. A playground or a play room is worse than useless without proper and constant supervision and intelligent direction, and none of the purely social activities in a Church are a proper part of its work unless they be so directed as to lead up to the great work of the Church in the worship of God, the preaching of his Salvation, the teaching of His Word and the administration of the Sacraments ordained by Christ himself.

Mr. Richard H. Gurley who comes to us on January 1st is a live wire, a collegian, an athlete, a Scout Master, a worker among the sailors of our Navy, a Superintendent of a public playground, a Church Man licensed by his Bishop as a lay reader. You will find him young with the young, a boy among boys and a man among men.

The Rector has appointed a Committee of the Vestry consisting of Messrs. Potter, Rodney and Baines to aid in this new method of work.

Let us pledge our hearty interest and support to the Church and Mr. Gurley in this new undertaking of organizing and systematizing the Social Service of the Parish.

S. P.

A New Christian Year Some Visions

It was a happy thought of the Editor of one of our Diocesan Papers to ask the Bishop and a number of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese to give its readers their Vision of the New Year—what it ought to be and what might be accomplished if every one had that Vision as an inspiration to stir up the gift that is in him to do his best.

And what Visions they were! The Bishop leads off with an appeal to our sense of personal responsibility—to awake out of sleep, for "the night is far spent, the day is at hand." If every individual realized his or her personal responsibility to God, to the Church, to the nation, to the community, to the home, what an opportunity the new Christian Year affords "for spiritual renewal, for the adoption of better methods of life and devotion, for the achievement of greater conquests in the extension of the Kingdom of God."

One of the older clergymen, with a noble record of long and faithful service in a single parish, strikes the Key-note of personal religion—the experience of a heart ever learning new meanings in the Book of God, new practice in keeping Divine commands, new warmth in the manifestation of brotherhood, new light, new joy, new peace—the deep, calm, changeless and wonderful love of Christ, received as the true expression of our Father's love, and we, His children, constrained to call upon our souls, and all that is within us, to bless His Holy Name." The Vision to all the people of Personal Religion.

Another sees the great needs in every community—the problems every parish must solve—the difficult tasks

to be done—the discouragements. "Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat," said Philip. He had no Vision; but the Master knew. Christ's blessing multiplied the loaves. And with the vision of the Christ blessing, nothing is impossible in any parish; and every man at the Master's bidding can do the difficult work. What a Vision for every one of us to take the loaves that Christ creates and feed the people.

And a layman out of the experience of his own life realizes the truth that we are "Saved to Serve," and he sees the opportunity of "individual, personal service to the downcast and forlorn—those in the slough of despond, mental, spiritual, physical, that thru guidance and counsel and friendliness and offers of companionship more and more than heretofore, the community may look to the Parish as the source and center of the only satisfactory life. Then the Church will surely grow; its services will be well attended, and all questions of support and maintenance will be out of the way forever." Oh, that all men might have the Vision of the power of helpfulness in personal service.

Still another sees in his Vision of the year the need of putting first things first, and gives chief place to the education of the child; and sees what must be the future if sufficient importance be given to Sunday School work in the mind and service of every Christian.

Still another sees a Vision of the power of united action in creating a greater missionary enthusiasm than the Church has ever felt before, sweeping through the Church like the current of a mighty river.

Another sees glorious results if we "forget those things that are behind," and hopefully looking into the future every man, woman and child is encouraged to press forward toward the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus.

And there is no end to Visions when the heart is aflame. And the fact stands out that everybody can do something, everybody must contribute something in efficient prayer, in en-

nobling example, in self-sacrificing service—if our ideals and resolutions are to come to anything more than empty dreams and pleasant sounds, if we are to hasten the time when his Kingdom shall come and His Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Everybody can find something to be and to do in his community, to better social conditions; in his business, to solve industrial problems; in his State, to improve civic legislation; in his Church and Parish, to preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified as the only final and sufficient fulfillment of all service for the good of humanity.

And the challenge of the year before us is not for men of Vision—but that every one of us have a Vision, and then bend every energy for its fulfillment.

Worship—A Lost Art

By the late Rev. A. W. Snyder

Mr. Wendell Phillips has an interesting lecture on "The Lost Arts." He mentions many. There is one, however, which he does not speak of, which has, in this country, at least become far more a lost art than any that he does mention; and that is the worship of Almighty God. That it has for Americans become largely a lost art needs no proof. Unbelievers do not worship nor pretend to, and of professing Christians comparatively few seem to have any adequate idea of the duty, the privilege, or the grace of worship. Go, on Monday, to any one hundred persons around you, who attended religious services on Sunday, and ask them their reason for so doing, and, no doubt, the majority will tell that they went to hear Mr. So-and-so preach, never dreaming that there should have been another and a higher reason. Mr. Brown says he does not go to Church because he does not like Mr. White's preaching. Mrs. Green does not go because "they have such horrid singing." Mrs. Griffin does not go "because so few have called on her." Mrs. Minty does not go because she is mad at Mrs. Mills. Mr. Mills does not go because he does not like the minister.

Mr. Hill does not go because "he is hard of hearing." His son does not go because he does not like preaching anyway; and his son-in-law does not go because he says he can read better sermons at home in the Sectarian Advocate. Your friend, Mr. Neighbor, tells you that you must come and hear their new minister. You meet the minister himself, and he invites you to come and hear him preach. Thompsonians are building a new Church. We were looking at it lately, and as one of their deacons asked us how we liked it, we told him that it seemed admirably suited to their purpose. He said that all he wanted a Church for was to see and to hear in, so they had theirs built after the plan of the Metropolitan Opera House.

Reader, what does all this indicate? It shows this plainly enough, that worship has, for the great body of the American People, become one of the lost arts. If the purpose of Church-going be to hear a sermon, then these men talk reasonable enough. If the end of Church-going be to see and be seen, to hear Mr. Eloquent pray at you and preach to you, or hear four people sing to you, or one man play on the organ for your entertainment, then it is a sensible thing for the Thompsonians to build their Church after the plan of the Metropolitan Opera House. But if that be not the true purpose of a Church, then it is quite another matter. And, if the one great purpose of Churches and Church attendance be the worship of Almighty God, then, whether Mrs. Green likes the singing, or Mr. Blank likes the preacher or preaching, does not enter into the question at all. They ought to go to Church, and they ought to go there for the worship of God. Whether they like the music, or the preaching, their like has nothing to do with the duty and privilege of joining in the public worship of Almighty God. That is a duty, resting upon all Christian men; and alas for our land if men do not come to know it and act accordingly! We say that "The heathen, in his blindness, bows down to wood and stone." But this much may be

said for him, and it is a great deal—he has a clear and definite notion of the privilege and duty of worship. He believes in a God of some sort, in some one outside of him and beyond him, better or at least more powerful than himself and that to Him he owes worship and adoration. So it is that the pagan before his idol, or the Mohammedan in his mosque, is at least a worshipper. And that is a great deal more than can be said of the average American. The heathen before his god stands and kneels; he falls down; he prostrates himself in worship and adoration. Alas! how often may we look, and look in vain, in many Christian congregations for any token that they worship anybody or anything, unless it be the preacher, or the organ, or the quartette. Looking, hearing and seeing would seem the great reason for their meeting together. So they will sit and sit through the whole Service; listen while one man talks or prays, or while four people sing to them; but as for kneeling, or worship and adoration, this they will have none of. Unless we are very much mistaken, one mission of the Church in this land, and to the people of it, is to restore and keep constantly before men the sense of the great duty and the blessed privilege of the worship of Almighty God.

Don't complain if members of the Church don't call on you when you are sick, until you count up how many sick members you have called upon during the past ten years.

A single rule for posture in worship is this: Sit to listen, stand to praise, kneel in prayer." Whenever the service is addressed to God, never sit. Whenever the services is addressed to man, except in solemn exhortation, we remain seated.

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Parish Visitor, MRS. LAURA H. DAYTON

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. }

Lent—An Opportunity!

As each Lenten season returns it is this thought that gives it force and character. Lent is an Opportunity. "Once more the solemn season calls." It is one more chance to bend every energy of the spiritual nature to lift the soul to a higher plane of life, to richer experiences, to nobler deeds, to firmer faith, to deeper consecration, to labors and prayers more abundant. The time given us in life is all too short for the great task of preparing the soul to dwell in the presence of God. We cannot afford to neglect one single help, to waste one single hour.

At the opening of the Lenten season many are the thoughts that crowd the mind, telling us of the blessings of a well-kept Lent. Many are the ways of keeping it. We can, however, express the experience of those who earnestly enter upon its occupations, that, wherever they turn, they feel one, strong, influential power towards a better, truer, nobler life. There are no times in life when blessings descend so richly upon the soul as in the quiet, meditative hours of self-examination, when alone with God the soul learns more of duty, and finds ways in which to fulfill it.

Yes, Lent is an opportunity—your opportunity, whoever you are, for God is no respecter of persons; because it

is God's given time to you to ascertain the facts of your life, its needs, its duties, its relation to the Saviour, and, as you listen to the Gospel message, reveals to you more fully how you may square your conduct after the standard of Jesus Christ.

If we treat this year's Lent as possibly our last, we shall understand that it is a season for honest endeavor, glowing with reality, burning with zeal, full of that energy which accompanies honest determination to make things right, to conquer things wrong, to live as God would have us live. Let there be none of the nonsense of half-heartedness, nor the folly of faint-hearted timidity to hinder the work of God within us, but with the prayer for Divine help daily upon our lips, seize every opportunity, ere it vanishes, and make brave use of its privileges for the ennobling and enriching of our souls.

It is with great regret that we lose the Rev. Mr. Beckett from Christ Church Parish. During his stay in the Parish Mr. Beckett has made many friends and he has been faithful in the discharge of all his duties. The best wishes of his friends go with him in his future work and their earnest prayers are that his ministry will be greatly blessed with abundant harvest.

A Word to Indifferent Parishioners

A comparatively small percentage of the people of Christ Church conscientiously avail themselves of the privileges of Lent. Year after year the services are attended and the missionary and the parish work is done by the same faithful few. Now and then new comers join the ranks and become loyal to the cause.

But there are some persons in the Parish who seem to have lost their sense of privilege or obligation to the Church.

They seldom, if ever, are seen in the House of God and therefore their interest in the Church has gradually decreased and the love for worship has well nigh disappeared.

As the Rector goes over, one by one the names on the list of parishioners and notes how many there are of these indifferent ones, his heart faints within him—"how long, oh Lord, how long!"

These lines will be read by some such a one. It is you, my friend, to whom I most earnestly appeal, now at the beginning of this Solemn Lenten Season.

Will you not cast off this fearful indifference which has so deadened your spiritual faculties as to keep you away from worship, Communion and God?

Will you not make this Lent an occasion prayerfully to strive to overcome the habit of indifference and conscientiously endeavor to be more faithful in your attendance at the services of your Church and more loyal in the discharge of every Christian duty?

A Word to Parents

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given by the Rector in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with the children to these Instructions.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you:

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

Are you doing your duty?

The Rector wishes to suggest to the members of the congregation that, in their responsive reading of the Psalter, they do not go at such a rapid pace. The habit is growing of reading the psalter so rapidly that many persons in the congregation—especially the young are not able to keep up.

And then, too, by this rapid reading the beauty and solemnity of these heart searching, soul inspiring psalms are lost.

The Rector has requested the Choir to lead the congregation in their responses in a more deliberate, and what would seem, a more reverential manner.

Of course, this criticism does not apply to the evening service, where the Psalter is sung in a dignified and impressive manner.

The Rector wishes to state, in reply to a question that has been frequently asked him, that there is no charge made for the use of the Church on the occasion of Baptisms, Weddings or funerals. The poorest as well as the richest are welcome to the use of the Church "without money and without price."

If the choir is wanted at weddings or funerals a charge is made for their services.

There are no charges, however, "for the use of the Church" and whatever gratuities are given by anyone must be considered entirely voluntary and optional.

You will have a good supper and a pleasant time if you come to the Parish House Thursday evening, February 4th, 6-7. Come and bring your friends.

Sunday Reading

A clergyman who was supplying a pulpit, not his own, was entertained in the home of one of the prominent members of the church. The conditions of the home life impressed him deeply; and although he was careful not to disclose anything that could identify the family, he referred to the Sunday spent in their home as among the dreariest and least profitable in his whole experience.

The family, struggling down to breakfast Sunday morning, brought with them the gossip acquired at various places on Saturday night. Two of them had been to the theatre, one had been to a party, most of them had been out late. More than one of the household began the day with a headache.

On the breakfast table there were three Sunday newspapers. On these the different members of the family pounced, and were soon hidden behind them.

Only the father and the mother went to church; the young people were "too tired," and did not care to dress.

After the morning service, the clergyman found the newspapers well shaken out and scattered. There was hardly a chair that did not contain one or more parts of one or another of them.

After the Sunday dinner, the papers were seized again, and creased and re-creased in the weary quest for new sensations.

The home had a good library, but no member of the family opened a book that day. The library had the works of Whittier, Lowell, Longfellow, and Holmes, as well as those of Shakespeare and Tennyson, but no other member of the family read one of them much less any distinctly religious book.

The hymnal on the piano lay under a trashy song that came with one of the newspapers. The family Bible on the centre table was buried deep beneath the so-called "comic supplements."

The whole atmosphere of the home all day was commonplace, worldly, and depressing. There was nothing that lifted the thoughts of the members of the family above the wearisome round

of the world and the things of the world. Business, politics, scandals, and bargains were the themes of conversation. The three secular newspapers, each with its sixty-odd pages, covered not only the seats, tables and carpets, they covered the spiritual life of the family as well. Without questioning the morality of such a Sunday, what may we not say of the pity of it? Is the soul of man so mean, so sordid, that not one day in the week can be saved for an acquaintance with the better things of literature and of life, and for the higher ministrations of the Spirit?

Henry Drummond, speaking of the value of a little time spent alone with God, said: "Five minutes spent in the companionship of Christ every morning—aye, two minutes, if it is face to face and heart to heart—will change the whole day, will make every thought and feeling different, will enable you to do things for His sake that you would not have done for your own sake or for any one's sake."

An Effectual Hint

An earnest Church woman hit upon an excellent plan of dealing with Sunday evening callers. There is no excuse in that home of being "kept from church by company."

Her plan is this:—At six o'clock or earlier she puts her bonnet nearby, to be put on at the ringing of the door bell. Thus the callers remark, "Oh! you're going somewhere!" Easily and effectively the reply comes forth—"Yes, I'm going to church before long, and I thought I'd get ready early."

The plan works splendidly. The hint is taken. We recommend the plan to our parishioners. Be sure, however, to tell your intended guests that as they have honored you with a call, you will expect them to go to church with you.

Some one has said that there are three sorts of men in the world—the will, the wots and cants and that the former effect everything, the second oppose everything, and the latter fail in everything.

Services in Lent

ASH WEDNESDAY 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office and
Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Prayer and Address 8.00 P. M.
EVERY AFTERNOON
(Except Wednesdays)
Evening Prayer 4.45 P. M.
(Short addresses on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday).

EVERY WEDNESDAY
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Address 8.00 P. M.

SUNDAYS
Holy Communion, Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon (Holy Communion), First Sunday 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon (Special Preaching, See list below) 7.45 P. M.
Service in Church for Sunday School First Sunday 9.45 A. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, (In Parish House) 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Bible Class, (In Parish House) 3.00 P. M.
Young People's Half Hour Service, (In charge of Brotherhood S. Andrew and Daughters of the King) in Parish House 7.00 P. M.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION
(In Parish House)
For Minors—Every Sunday afternoon, 4.00 P. M.
For Adults—Every Friday 8.00 P. M.
All persons confirmed or unconfirmed, are invited to attend these instructions.

SPECIAL LENTEN PREACHERS
Sunday Evening, February, 21st—The Rev. Chas. C. Pierce, D. D., Rector St. Matthew's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
Sunday Evening, February 28th—The Rev. Charles S. Hutchinson, Rector S. Clements Church, Philadelphia.
Sunday Evening, March 7th—The Rev. Carl E. Grammer, D. D., Rector S. Stevens Church, Philadelphia.
Sunday Evening, March 14th—The Rev. Elliott White, Rector S. Mark's Church, Phila.
Sunday Evening, March 21st—The Rev. N. B. Groton, Rector S. Thomas' Whitmarsh.
Sunday Evening, March 28th—The Rev. B. S. Sanderson, Rector, All Hallow's, Wyncote.

SUBJECT OF LENTEN ADDRESSES
Tuesday Afternoons—Ten minute talks on "Prayers."
Wednesday Nights—"The Episcopal Church and Some of Its Teachings."
Thursday Afternoons—Ten minute talks on "The Christian Life."

FRIDAY AFTERNOONS
(For Young People)

THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN
Friday, Feb. 19—His Profession, Matt. 16:15-16.
Friday, Feb. 26—His Test, 2 Timothy 4:10.
Friday, March 5—His Power, Philippians 4:13.
Friday, March 12—His Friend, Isa. 41:10.
Friday, March 17—His Service, Galatians 6:17.
Friday, March 24—His Reward, 2 Timothy 4:8.
In connection with these talks it is desired that those who attend will bring their Bibles with them as references and Chapters for reading will be given in connection with each topic.

Monthly Parish Supper

Each supper given on the first Thursday of the month, is thoroughly enjoyed by all who attend. The last supper was no exception to the rule. The wonder is how the ladies can possibly provide such delicious things in such liberal quantities and realize any profit therefrom.

Daily Prayers for Lent

For Faithfulness—

O Almighty God, I beseech Thee, hear this, my prayer and grant my petitions in this time of grace and penitence. Enable me to perform my religious duties with exactitude and reverence and grant that this fast, consecrated by the example and precepts of Thy Adorable Son, may be pleasing in Thy sight and strengthen me with His might, that I may serve Thee more faithfully in time to come and bring me finally to Thy eternal Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
A Prayer for the Parish—

Almighty an everlasting God, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplication of Thy servants and grant unto this Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; visit the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth and bring all to be of one mind and one heart within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Memorial Flowers for February

The flowers on the altar in February will be in loving memory of the following persons:

Feb. 7th—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Crowder.
Feb. 8th—Mr. Gilbert Jordon.
Feb. 14th—Mr. Pursell.
Feb. 14th—Rev. William H. Avery.
Feb. 21st—Mr. James Y. Humphrey.
Feb. 28th—James Graeff, Jr.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful; after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kalendar for February

Feb. 2nd—Presentation of Christ in the Temple.
Feb. 7th—Sexagesima
Feb. 14th—Quinquagesima
Feb. 17th—Ash Wednesday
Feb. 21st—First Sunday in Lent
Feb. 24th—S. Matthias—Ember Day.
Feb. 26th—Ember Day
Feb. 27th—Ember Day
Feb. 28th—Second Sunday in Lent

From Parish Register

BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign thee with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Dec. 20—Albert Wilson Harper
Grace Vivian Harper

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Dec. 16—Alvin Laurence Case and Jane Irene Beck.

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

Dec. 17—Mary Campbell
Edward H. Hance

Lent is as indispensable to the growth and fruitfulness of the Christian life as is Winter to the future harvest. The divine order of rotation and succession, of sowing and reaping, is as fixed in one case as the other. The tears of penitence must precede the joy of justification. This is the immutable decree. A closer searching of the heart, a severer self-examination of the life, a deep, poignant contrition that we are what we are: a fervent desire and "prayer without ceasing" for amendment of life: abstinence and self denial in necessary things that we may be chastened and disciplined to deny ourselves in superfluous and forbidden things; the practice of charity; alms giving, to teach unselfishness, and self restraint in the use of the good things God has given us. A regime of this

kind, strictly adhered to through the forty days of Lent, with special withdrawal from the world and devotion to God—think you not that this Wintertime of the soul will not, by His blessing, have its "fruit unto holiness and the end everlasting life?" The harvest following will be an abundant one.

Athletic Association

The Parish House is open now on Monday and Friday afternoon and evening and Wednesday and Saturday afternoon for the boys. It is open Tuesday and Thursday afternoon and evening and Saturday morning for the girls. It is open Wednesday night for the men (all ages.) And there is somebody right on the job now every afternoon and night to see that everything is all right and that it stays all right. The play-room is open only to the use of members of the Christ Church Athletic Association (Junior or Senior membership) and any boy or girl, man or woman is eligible to membership if he or she is not a member of some other church or Sunday School. Those attending no church or Sunday School are the more welcome here. Twenty-five cents pays for six months for a Junior and fifty cents for a Senior for the same period. There is also a sustaining membership of two dollars a year which we hope will be liberally subscribed to by the adults of the parish.

We have a volley ball game, an indoor baseball game, and a basket ball game to interest the older children and adults and a number of playground games for the smaller children.

Come and join. You will help us and we will help you and mutual benefit is the best kind there is. And "you" means every loyal member of the parish of Christ Church. Its a trite saying but a true one that your religion and your church will be valuable to you in proportion as you exercise the first and exercise for the second. We offer you in this work an opportunity to do both. What interest you take will be returned to you with interest.

R. H. G.

Confirmation

The Rector will deliver a course of Instructions on Confirmation and Teachings of the Church on Friday evenings at eight o'clock, and on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock. The Instructions will begin on Friday evening, February 5, and Sunday afternoon, February 7th, and will continue on every Friday evening, and Sunday afternoon until the Bishop's visitation, Maundy Thursday, April 2nd. All who are desirous or are thinking of being confirmed are requested to confer with the Rector at once.

The Friday Evening course is intended for adults, the Sunday afternoon course is adapted to minors. All persons in this vicinity, who desire information on the subject of Confirmation and the Church Teachings, whether they have decided to be confirmed or not are cordially welcome to attend these Instructions.

The Instructions will be given in the Parish House, room No. 2.

Confirmation or The Laying on of Hands

We learn from the Acts of the Apostles that in the early days of the Church, after converts had been baptized, the Apostles used to lay their hands upon them for the further outpouring of the Holy Ghost. It was so in the case of those Samaritans to whom the Acts viii, v. 14 refers. We are told that "when the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John, who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost (for as yet He was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus). Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost." It was so also in the case of certain believers at Ephesus, of whom St. Paul asked whether they had received the Holy Ghost when they believed, meaning thereby to inquire whether, after they were baptized, they had received the

Laying on of Hands. Their answer showed that they had not received Christian Baptism at all, but had been baptized only with the baptism of John that is, of John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord. Whereupon, by St. Paul's direction, they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and then he laid his hands on them; and "the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied."

The holy rite of Laying on of Hands has been continued in the Church from the beginning.

The special blessing, then, which we are taught to connect with Confirmation is spiritual strength. If by Baptism we are taken into Christ, and are made to be "in the Lord," by Confirmation we are made to be "strong in the Lord." This is the teaching of Holy Scripture, and of the primitive Church, as Hooker says in those familiar words, "The Fathers everywhere impute to Confirmation that gift of grace of the Holy Spirit, not which makes us first Christian men, but, when we are made such, assisteth us in all virtue, and armeth us against temptation and sin."

As it is with regard to all means of grace and religious ordinances generally, that they are to us very much what we ourselves make them, so it is with Confirmation. If a person comes to it with earnest purpose of heart, offering himself and his life to Christ, not knowing, indeed—as how can he as yet know?—all that self-sacrifice involves, but trusting himself to his Saviour, there is that within him which, if he will fully trust Him, will be an infinite strength—a living Power, which will do for him exceeding abundantly above all that he can ask or think—a Power which will be ever at work within him, destroying, correcting, encouraging, impelling, invigorating him, carrying him on step by step, until he is able to present him perfect in Christ Jesus.

Reader—Can you dare to risk a life without His grace and power. Submit yourself to Him, according to His will and ways and you will know His power.

The Vestry's Letter

The usual Lenten letter of the Vestry, setting forth the financial condition and needs of the Parish will be issued to the parishioners of Christ Church on the first Sunday in Lent. Notwithstanding the financial depression of the times the people of Christ Church have, as a rule, kept up their systematic and generous offering. In some few cases there have been a falling off in contributions but these were really necessary from urgent conditions.

The people of Christ Church, as a rule, do not "begin their economy at the House of God." We venture to say that there are not many parishes that have a larger percentage of conscientious, faithful givers than Christ Church. There are only a few persons in the parish—and they are not the poorest either, who fail to do their duty by their Church!

The Warden's Monthly Report

Christ Church, Germantown
Statement of offerings by Sundays during the month of December, 1914:

December 6th:
Missions \$ 7.55
Church Support 31.65
Plate Collections 2.33

Total \$41.53

December 13th:
Missions \$14.61
Church Support 80.10
Plate Collections 17.28

Total \$111.99

December 20th:
Missions \$14.11
Church Support 52.30
Plate Collections 22.05

Total \$88.46

December 27th:
Missions \$10.02
Church Support 44.00
Plate Collections 12.17

Total \$66.19
Grand Total \$308.17

Financial Statement of the Condition of the Parish for Eight Months Ending December 31, 1914**Cash Receipts**

Envelopes—Missions	\$ 443.01
Envelopes, Church Support	1,807.23
Plate Collections	448.14
Pew Rents	1,918.50
Easter Offering	150.00
Miscellaneous	158.03
For Special Purposes	587.95
Borrowed of Bank	1,200.00
	<u>\$6,712.86</u>

Disbursements

For Net Obligations for previous Year	\$ 783.75
For salaries of Clergy, etc ..	2,641.62
For salaries of choir and Chimes	1,031.28
For Taxes, Water & Insurance, ..	278.60
For Fuel and Lights	191.95
For Repairs	230.57
For Laundry	29.18
For Interest on Mortgage ..	168.50
For Supplies and Sundries ..	195.07
For Special Purposes	391.29
For Missions	69.57

\$6,011.38

Bal. Cash in Bank \$701.48

List of Unpaid Items Dec. 31, 1914

Due the Bank	\$1,200.00
Walter J. Crowder Co., Coal ..	213.75
Geo. H. King, Missions	327.15
Aged and Infirm Clergy	98.54
Episcopal Hospital	74.62
Miscellaneous	18.35

\$1,932.41

Through the generosity of several persons in the Parish a number of dinners were given to very worthy families at Christmas time. Expression of gratitude went out from many hearts to the kind and thoughtful people in this parish whose generosity contributed so substantially to the comfort and happiness of others.

The Christmas decorations in the Church were unusually beautiful this year. They reflect great credit on the young men of the Parish who did the work.

Sunday School

The Sunday School Festival held in the church on December 27th, was well attended and successful. Many of the parents of the scholars were there, all seemed much interested in the work being done by the teachers. The Entertainment on December 29th was as usual crowded. The plays were given by the girls of various ages, and were well staged. Everyone recognized the amateur talent and were not slow to express their appreciation. The Lantern Pictures and the appearance of Santa Claus were its climax and closing of a very entertaining evening. The school shows a slight increase in attendance especially in the Intermediate Department: the two hundred mark was passed on one Sunday.

A Men's Bible Class will be formed at an early date. A number of men have already said they wished to join.

The Sunday School room and stairway have been painted, the color light brown and yellow being most beautiful. The Rector, Superintendent, and Teachers hope the scholars will show their love and appreciation of this and be very careful not to hurt its beauty in any way. G. T. M.

The Embroidery Guild, which meets every Thursday morning at ten o'clock in the Parish House, is doing some beautiful work. The Class is under the personal instruction of Miss Bessie Chase who cordially welcomes any woman in the parish who wishes to be taught embroidery or is willing to co-operate in the work.

In answer to many inquiries it is announced that the Christ Church Kalendars, usually issued for distribution at this time, have been omitted this year. There have been many demands for these Kalendars. Next year it is hoped that they will be issued as heretofore.

A limited number of the "Church Missionary Calendar" for 1915 may be had from the Verger, if application is made at once.

The price is twenty five cents—all the money goes to Missions.

Mother Meeting Dinner

Never was there a jollier crowd of women gathered together in Christ Church Parish House than the members of the Mother's Meeting, who had their holiday dinner served to them on Tuesday afternoon, January 12th. The day was very inclement, the rain pouring down in sheets. Notwithstanding twenty four mothers, ranging in years from eighty years downward—but all young in spirit,—met at the appointed hour and singing lustily marched in procession to the long table, beautifully decorated with laurel and flowers and baskets of fruit. At each plate Santa Claus had left a box of delicious candy, as a token of his good wishes.

The meal was sumptuous, composed of turkey and all the many good things that go to make up a real "turkey dinner."

After the dinner came "the feast of reason and flow of soul." The Rector presided and the post prandial speakers were the mothers themselves. The exercises were opened by selections on the piano by Masters John and David Arndt. Recitations were delivered by Mrs. Hearst, Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Reckerd and "speeches" were made by Mrs. Crowther and Mrs. Stroup.

The Mothers were then delightfully entertained by a clever exhibition of legerdemain by Master Walter Gibson, assisted by his brother, Master Anthony Gibson.

The Mothers unanimously voted their thanks to the ladies who so kindly served the dinner—Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Sheldon Potter, Mrs. Woodroffe, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson and Mrs. Gurley, and to others who contributed to the dinner.

Regrets were expressed that Mrs. Rowley could not be present on account of illness and best wishes were sent to her by all the Mothers.

Clothing Needed

Persons who have clothing to spare, outer and under garments or shoes for men, women or children are asked to send the same to the Parish House. They will be given to worthy persons and will be greatly appreciated.

The Easter Offering

Every Parish will have some particular object or objects for which generous gifts will be made on Easter Day. So far as this offering is connected with Lent it is the result of self-denials. We deny ourselves some luxury or some necessity not to save but to give. The denial is for Christ's sake, and is given to aid His cause. What a splendid illustration of devotion the offering at Easter may be, if every Christian in every congregation throughout the land will determine what pleasure or pleasures he or she will cut off during these forty days, and bring the savings—offerings rich and rare as such offerings must be—and lay them on the Altar.

Periodical Club

The Periodical Club is an organization formed to furnish literature to persons living in distant or isolated parts of the country, who have not the opportunity or who cannot afford to subscribe for magazines, books or periodicals, etc.

The Secretary of the Periodical Club in this Parish is Mrs. Topliffe Johnson. Through the thoughtfulness of many friends she is able to send regularly to worthy and appreciative persons in distant parts of the country a great deal of good reading matter. The many letters which are received in cordial acknowledgement of these books and magazines show how greatly they are appreciated by the recipients.

If, instead of allowing good literature to accumulate and become rubbish in the house, people would realize how useful it would be to others and send each copy to people not similarly blessed, this good work would be greatly extended and bring happiness to a much larger number.

Will not all persons in the Parish who desire to share their reading matter with others, please communicate with Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, 430 Locust Avenue, Germantown, who will gladly furnish them with full information.

Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church

The Women's Auxiliary of Christ Church held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January the seventh at 10.30.

Although the number present was not what it should be when we consider how many women there are in the Parish, yet it was most encouraging to find strongly evidenced a spirit of interest, and determination to make the auxiliary a telling agency of the Church. Plans were discussed with regard to the work to be taken up for the Lenten season and committees were appointed to look into the work suggested and be ready to report at the next meeting, when definite work will be decided upon.

It was decided to continue the regular business meeting on the first Thursday morning of each month at half past ten o'clock. In addition to the monthly business meeting, the ladies will meet every Wednesday afternoon during Lent at two o'clock to sew for missions. Every woman in this Parish is cordially invited to these weekly meetings.

L. J.

Men's Club

The Men's Club will have a supper to be followed by various forms of entertainment on the evening of Friday, February 12th, Lincoln's birthday. A brief address on the subject of Abraham Lincoln will be given and the members of the club are planning to make this an occasion pleasant in every way. The attention of those who are members of the club but who have not been to recent meetings is particularly called to the coming social meeting. It will be a good opportunity to renew your interest and your co-operation to make the success of the club an assured fact. The name of the speaker for this occasion will be announced later. Keep this evening open and have a seat saved at the table for you. All men in this vicinity are cordially invited. Remember the date, Friday, February 12th.

What Phillips Brooks Said of Lent

The following words are from the lips of that great spiritual giant—Phillips Brooks. Every one will admit that his life was lived with God and what helped him to attain to spiritual heights will help others in their Christian life. He speaks of Lent as follows:

"My friends, our Lent is here. There is no magic in its days. It is only that we have resolved till Easter to give more time and thought to our religious life. All that may come to much or it may come to nothing. I beg of you let it come to much. And the way to do that is to bring your soul up to the point of whole and genuine repentance. By any discontent you have now with your life, by any longing for a better heart, by the solemn responsibility you owe to God, by the great unutterable love of Christ. I beg you, as if I went from ear to ear and pleaded with each of you, not to let this Lent pass without confessing your sinfulness and being forgiven and becoming a grateful servant of Jesus Christ. May God grant it for all.

Whatever forms of fasting you may decide upon as being real to you, let it all be with a single idea and purpose. To teach your body its proper place—subjection to the Spirit. You may not destroy or even injure the body, for that is God's temple, but you must teach it that the welfare of the soul is man's first consideration. Be honest in your fasting. Do not pretend to fast by giving up minor things. That brings no good results. We might add that the person who does this is not really seeking results, but is play acting. Let your sacrifices, which are supposed to be in imitation of the sacrifice of Christ, be of some value. According to their reality they are acceptable to God."

Permanent interest in missions depends on knowledge. Christian people are not indifferent to missions because they are lacking in faith and life, but it is with many of them a lack of knowledge.

Mr. Richard H. Gurley, who has been engaged to assist the Rector as lay reader and to have charge of the work among the young men and boys of the Parish began his duties on January 1st. Mr. Gurley has many excellent plans which will interest the young people and he invites the attendance of all young men and boys and girls in this vicinity to the meetings as they are announced to be held in the Parish House.

There is a story of an atheist's child who had learned something about God. The Father wished to expunge the thought from her mind, and he wrote on a piece of paper, "God is nowhere." He asked the child to read the words and she spelled out, "God is now here." The child's unconscious misreading of the atheist's creed startled him to the feet of the God whose very existence he had sought to deny. Wherever we are we are in the presence of God.

Mr. Edward Miles, who has had temporary charge of the Choir pending the engagement of a Choir Master has resigned and Mr. Horace W. Hardy has been appointed Organist and Choir Master of Christ Church. Mr. Hardy comes highly recommended as a musician and trainer of voices and excellent service may be expected from the Choir.

It is with great regret that we shall lose Miss Emily Collison, who has faithfully served as Organist during the past year. Resolutions of appreciation of her services were passed by the Vestry at their regular meeting held January 5th.

On Sunday afternoon, January 31st the choir will have charge of the music at the Masonic Home. This is the Choir's annual service at the home.

Do not forget to come to the next Monthly Parish Supper to be given in the Parish House on Thursday Evening, February 4th, from 6 to 7 o'clock.

One chief reason why the world is not reformed is that we all think others ought to be reformed instead of reforming ourselves.

Little Girls' Missions Class

All the little girls in the Parish and their girl friends are invited to meet in the Parish House at half past three on Friday afternoons in Lent for a Mission Study Class. The class will be taught by one of the ladies in the Parish and an interesting time will be had. The class will begin on Friday afternoon, February 19th and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance of little girls.

Junior Auxiliary

The business meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church was held on December fourth. We had the Secretary and Treasurer's report read and then we went into another room where we had a lovely little party.

We reserve the first Friday of each month for a business meeting and a social afternoon.

We have not had any meetings for two weeks account of the holidays but we have started our work again January 8th and expect to meet every Friday afternoon as provided. All girls are invited.

M. H.

Opportunities Abroad

All thoughtful men agree that we live in critical times—amid great revolutions in thought and in society.

The opening year is laden with problems in regard to this nation that shall determine its future welfare and power. The opportunity is given to the Christian people of America to solve the greatest problem, and lay wise foundations for the noblest Christian nation on earth.

Never were grander opportunities given to the Church we love to plant the standard of Christ and our most holy faith, in all the developing sections of our country, or to wield an immense influence in the well-settled centres of population.

In this great crisis in history, the Church bids us learn in this solemn season the chance offered for Christian prayers and gifts, the importance of the hour, and the responsibility to use well an opportunity that once neglected can never return.

Altar Guild

Wednesday, January sixth was a memorable date for the members of the Altar Guild.

At 9.30 in the morning there was a corporate communion of the Guild and in the evening they held their annual dinner at the home of Mrs. William Avery.

Although it has been an established custom for the members of the Guild to meet socially once a year, never has there been a more enjoyable time than the last dinner and the Guild wishes to extend to Mrs. Avery their sincere appreciation of her kindness and hospitality.

Some time ago a letter was received by the rector containing a generous contribution to be used in placing flowers upon the altar in memory of a deceased parent.

The Guild desires to express their appreciation of this gift in this issue of the "Chimes" and would be deeply gratified if the donor would make herself known to the rector or any member of the Guild in order that personal thanks may be extended.

H. P. D.

The Daughters of the King

The monthly devotional meeting of the Daughters of the King was held on December 21st. The meeting was opened by the Rev. Mr. Beckett who gave us a helpful talk. At this meeting it was decided to give a half ton of coal as a Christmas present to one of our friends, and also to send a small present in money to two others. The members also agreed to send Christmas postals to an old lady who would not be apt to receive any.

On January 4th, our regular business meeting was held. The Visits reported for the last two months were ten hospital visits, and seventeen parish visits. One of our members, through the kindness of her brother was able to bring to a Sunday morning service, a former member of the Church, who is now a confirmed invalid and living in Philadelphia.

An Admission Service was held in the Church after the evening service on January 10th, at which time Mrs. Belfield was admitted to the Order.

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Parish Visitor, MRS. LAURA H. DAYTON

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

Holy Week Services

The list of services during Holy Week and the hours will be found on another page in this issue of the "Chimes."

It seems presumptuous for the Rector to suggest to sensible people that they should conscientiously observe Holy Week. This, of course, is needless; is, indeed, an insult to a devout Churchman. Every Christian will want to devote as many hours as they possibly can, during this most Holy Week in the presence of their Lord.

The Rector begs, however, to call the attention of all devout people to one service, which may escape their attention, namely: the daily celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M.. Cannot business people and others in the Parish arrange to begin their days and their days' occupations during this week, in Communion with their Lord? It will mean so much to all!

Service for Communicants

The Rector wishes to call special attention of all communicants to the service which will be conducted in Christ Church by Bishop Rhinelander on Maundy Thursday evening. At that

time the Bishop will administer to the candidates for Confirmation the Apostolic Rite of "Laying on of Hands." Immediately after the Confirmation Service the Bishop will conduct a Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion.

Whilst all persons are invited to this service it will be more fully appreciated and especially helpful to those who are eager to prepare themselves thoroughly in mind and heart to receive on Easter Day the blessed privilege of the Holy Communion.

And every true Churchman will want to do this! The invitation is so broad, so loving, so tender—who can refuse it?

"Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in His holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God."

Every "Communicant"—worthy of the name—will make every effort, will make every sacrifice conscientiously to prepare himself and "draw near with faith" on Easter Day in Communion with his Risen Lord.

The Rector's Concern

The primary and most important interest which concerns the Rector is, and, no doubt should be, the spiritual condition of the Parish.

And yet the financial condition of the Parish is also a very grave concern to him. At present he must admit it is causing him considerable anxiety.

Owing to the death, during the past year, of the largest single contributor in the Parish and, also, to the reduced incomes of many who have been effected by the late business depression, the deficit this Easter is \$2600.00.

This amount must be raised in full if the Parish is to begin the next fiscal year without a debt for current expenses. The Rector realizes that this cannot be accomplished without an **unusually generous and self-sacrificing giving** on the part of all. There are some in the Parish,—who, through distressing circumstances will not be able to give very much, or, at least as liberally as heretofore. It is impossible for them to do so—and they painfully regret it.

It is therefore, incumbent upon others, who have not been so seriously effected, in order that our Parish work may not be crippled, to **exert every effort to make every sacrifice to increase their offering this Easter over that of any previous year.** The Rector begs that those whom God has so generously blessed above so many of their less fortunate brethren, will not "plead poverty" or the stress of "so many other demands" or other excuses which are such common stock in trade, but will come forward at this Easter time and **do a really great and a heroic thing**—by pouring out their generosity, so freely and so unrestrictively, that this Parish so dear to the heart of every true and loyal member,—will be freed from all financial burdens and will be blessed with ample income to do a greater work in this community for our Blessed Lord and Saviour.

This is possible and quite within the ability of some—if they will rise, by God's help, to the occasion, and to the privilege.

The Rector freely admits that this matter is weighing heavily on his heart, because it is obstructing the work which might otherwise be done.

Will not every friend of the Parish make a strenuous and conscientious effort this Easter to give the largest possible offering?

If the Parish were to be entirely relieved of its indebtedness at this Easter time and were to begin its fiscal year unhampered, there is every prospect that, with the enlarged field of usefulness at its very doors and with its present well equipped Parish House facilities, its influence on the moral and spiritual life of this community would be by God's grace, wonderful and far-reaching.

Will not, therefore, every friend of the Parish now, at this time, give most generously, as God has blessed each one, and make it possible for Christ Church to do, in a greater and better way, the work the Master has given it to do?

You Ought to be Confirmed

Several persons in the Congregation, who ought to be confirmed, have not as yet given their names to the Rector. This is a duty they owe to their family, to themselves, their Church and their God. They have been hesitating for years; at times wanting to come, but procrastinating from day to day.

Some day it will be "too late."

Will not every man and woman in this community, who is desirous of leading a better life, of following Christ and being of some use in the world come to the Rector that he may talk over the matter with them?

It is not now too late. Someday it will be! The invitation is to all—**Now!** "Whosoever will—let him come!"

One secret act of self-denial, one sacrifice of inclination to duty, is worth all the mere good thoughts, warm feelings, passionate prayers, in which idle people indulge themselves.

Confirmation and Preparatory Service

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhineland, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, will visit Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 1st, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. After the Confirmation Service the Bishop will conduct a service and give an address to Communicants, preparatory for the Easter Communion.

Every Communicant of the Parish is urged to be present.

Instructions on Confirmation are being given by the Rector in the Parish House, Friday evenings at eight o'clock for adults; Sunday afternoons, at four o'clock, for minors.

All persons are invited to these Instructions.

The Rector asks that all persons in the Parish, who, through sickness or other causes, are not able to attend the Easter Communion in the Church, will notify him and he will be pleased to go to their homes or hospitals and have the service for the "Communion of the sick."

He holds himself in readiness to visit at any time the sick or those in need.

The Value of Parish Work to the Worker

There is a very great value in parish work to the worker. One who stands on the outside, and has not "part nor lot" in the activities of the parish—is merely named on the register as belonging to the parish—cannot realize that a very real value to the individual exists.

The word work to the uninitiated all too often means something unpleasant, something to be avoided; but when one considers that work and happiness are inseparable, it is strange more do not find their work and their happiness. Each individual member of a parish bears a responsibility for a certain part of the Church's work, and has a talent intended for use—much depends upon the use made of opportunities.

Activity creates interest; as there can be no activity without mind and body, so there can be no interest without heart. As soon as this factor en-

ters, it all ceases to be work in the popular meaning of the term and great good comes to the worker—in happiness derived, the feeling of being necessary to the great whole, the sense of power and dependableness; all of which will be found to work out in this wise—that the more one does, the greater the desire grows to do something more.

Then comes a deepening and broadening of character—a worker must look upon the world differently; coming into close relation with fellow-workers gives a wider outlook. Too many to mention are the elements for the strengthening and upbuilding of character which enter in this contact; they extend soul-deep.

It has been said: "What we pray for we work for," and as truly it can be said, what we work for we pray for; and what we work and pray for, we stand for; here is a test of our loyalty, and a deepening of our spiritual life.

Parish work done with any right motive must have its value; but many, many times is that value increased if there is a deep underlying sense of for WHOM it is all done, a belief in the Church, and the fundamental principles for which the Church stands. Then with the growth in character and influence, there will be also a splendid growth in true Churchmanship; ideals will be higher, and there will come the "Vision."

The Rector wishes to recommend a worthy woman, who has large family to support, for days' work; also a refined elderly woman wants board at \$3.00 a week who is willing to look after various light work in home; also a man of family in great need, who desires place as butler or valet, has had long experience in English families and bears excellent record; also, Rector can recommend a most worthy woman who excels in making of cakes, pastry, candies and delicacies for the sick, she will receive orders at her home; inquire of Rector; also, man for gardening, has family of small children and sick wife dependent upon him; also young man, excellent machinist, good character. Inquire for above to the Rector.

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901)

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Sheldon Potter (1885)

William R. Pugh (1889)

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Keith R. Rodney (1912)

Alexander R. Cheston (1914)

Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Athletic Association—First Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Christ Church Club—Second Thursday, 8.00 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Services in Holy Week

HOLY COMMUNION

Daily (Except Good Friday and Saturday) - - - 7.30 A. M.
Also on Wednesday: Litany and Holy Communion - 9.30 A. M.

MEDITATIVE READINGS

On the Sacred Events of Each Day of Holy Week

Daily - - - - - 4.45 P. M.

EVENING PRAYER, LITANY AND SERMON

Wednesday - - - - - 8.00 P. M.

CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNICANTS' SERVICE

(Intended for all Communicants; preparatory for the Easter Communion)

Conducted by the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D. D. Bishop of Penna.

Maundy Thursday - - - - - 8.00 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY

Penitential Service, Pro-anaphora and Address - 10.00 A. M.

Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross

Conducted by the Rev. A. J. Arnold, Secretary to the Bishop

12 M—3.00 P. M.

Cantata: Stainer's Crucifixion - - - - - 8.00 P. M.

EASTER EVEN

Evening Prayer and Infant Baptism - - - - - 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion - - - - - 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon - - - 11.00 A. M.

Sunday School Carol Service - - - - - 7.30 P. M.

Three Hour Service on Good Friday

The Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. A. J. Arnold, Secretary to the Bishop. It is requested that persons shall assemble in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can do so, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so at the singing of the hymns.

The offering at this service is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms plates will be found at the doors.

Easter Memorial Flowers

The flowers on the altar on Easter Day will be, as usual, memorials to friends in Paradise. All persons who desire to have memorials on the altar or in the chancel on Easter are requested to send flowers and blooming plants to the Parish House early on Saturday preceeding Easter.

The Rector requests that cards be attached to each plant as he desires to know the names of the persons in whose memory the flowers are given.

Contributions in money are requested to be sent to Mrs. William H. Avery 54 W. Tulpehocken St.

Memorial flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and placed on the altar in memory of the friends named.

Memorial Flowers for April

The flowers on the altar for April will be:

April 12th, Frank L. Donlevy

April 18th, Miriam Fiss Humphreys

April 25th, Robert Kirkland

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stainers' Crucifixion

To be given Good Friday Night

On Good Friday Evening Stainers' Crucifixion will be rendered by the Choir in Christ Church at eight o'clock. The soloists will be Mr. George Gross, tenor and Mr. C. M. Hoose, Baritone.

Booklet for Holy Week

A booklet, entitled "His Last Week" recounting the story of the Passion of our Lord in the words of the four Gospels, will be used in the Meditative Readings at the daily afternoon services in Holy Week. Persons attending these services are advised to provide themselves with copies of this little book and follow the reader, during the service, as the sacred events of each day are read.

Copies of this book will be found on the table at the West entrance of the Church. Please place the cost of the book—5 cents—in the box.

Easter Music

The music on Easter Sunday will include Te Deum in B flat by J. Stainer and Jubilate Deo in B flat by H. J. Stewart; full communion service in F, from service in B flat by J. Stainer; anthem, "I heard a great voice" by Gerard Cobb and "Now is Christ Risen" by J. E. West.

In the evening the Sunday School service will be held in the Church. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in E flat by J. E. West.

Junior Brotherhood

The work of our Junior Brotherhood is picking up and we want all boys in the Parish who have never been members or who are interested in being useful to come around to our meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. We want to get a baseball team started and get the boys of the Parish to work together along other lines. If you like lots of pep and ginger in doing things we don't know which need is the greatest yours for us or ours for you.

Come to our next meeting and satisfy both needs.

The Rev. Hugh Q. Miller has been gaged to assist the Rector at the Communion service in Christ Church until the first Sunday in June.

The Spirit of Missions

The Missionary Magazine of the Church records the greatest enterprise

in the World—the advance of Christ's Kingdom among nations. Every Church family should subscribe for it. Issued monthly—\$1.00 a year. Published by the Board of Missions, 281 Fourth Avenue.

Subscriptions may be secured by applying to the President of Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. J. I. Morrison, Westview Ave.

New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all who wish to subscribe through the Envelope System. Former Subscribers, who are pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews, others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order, on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly, sign name and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information please apply after any service to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, in person in Church, or by addressing him at 328 South Third St., Philadelphia.

Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church has met for its regular monthly meetings in the Parish House, with much encouragement owing to the increased attendance and greater interest.

After the business part of the February meeting we had the pleasure of hearing a most interesting talk on "Missions and Mission Study" by Miss Avery of Bala. She told of what wonderful work and financial returns and wide spread interest in missions had been evidenced in her own Parish since Mission Study Classes had been formed there.

Kalendar for April

April 1st—Maundy Thursday
April 2nd—Good Friday
April 4th—Easter Sunday
April 5th—Easter Monday
April 6th—Easter Tuesday
April 11th—First Sunday after Easter
April 18th—2nd Sunday after Easter
April 25th—Third Sunday after Easter. (St. Mark's Day)

From the Parish Register**BAPTISMS**

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

Feb. 28—Albert Morris Pfeiffer

Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Feb. 23—James McKennon Watt and Violet Kate Anderson.

Feb. 27—William Armand Armstrong 3rd, and Mabel Christina Robinson.

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

March 1—Elizabeth Glaser

March 3—Annie S. Best

The Mothers Meeting Appeal

This is an appeal to our friends in the Parish who have so kindly encouraged us in the past. We are greatly in need of orders for the special kinds of work done by our members.

Surely some one in the Parish is in need of white or gingham aprons, dish or roller towels, dusters or Colonial rugs.

We have quantities of rags all cut and sewed waiting orders to be made up into rugs or rag carpet. Our supply of uncut rags is entirely exhausted hence we have no work of any kind to do. Our meetings are much more interesting when our hands are busy. It is by the sale of these useful articles that we are able to make our usual generous Easter offering.

A. M. M.

Statement of Chimes Account to Date Receipts

Subscriptions and contributions to date \$60.90

Expenditures

Jan. 1, Postage \$.80
Jan. 1, Commission to Solicitor 10.50
Jan. 1, Returned loans C. H. A. 1900 S. & W. 33 26.33
Jan. 18, Paid C. H. A., December number 8.00
Jan. 29, Paid publisher, Feb. number 6.00
Feb. 1, Subs. collected by C. H. A. Apply on Sept. Number 3.10

\$54.73

Feb. 1, Bal. on hand \$ 6.17

\$60.90

Owe Mr. Arndt \$24.90

Bal. on Sept. number \$ 6.90

Bal. on Oct. number 6.00

Bal. on Nov. number 6.00

Bal. on Jan. number 6.00

\$24.90

Bal on hand 6.17

Deficit \$18.73

Financial Statement, Christ Church Chimes

February 1, 1915

Receipts

Feb. 1, 1915, Subscriptions and contributions to date \$60.90

Expenditures

Sept. 1, Sept. number \$10.00
Oct. 1, Oct. number 6.00
Nov. 1, Nov. number 6.00
Dec. 1, Dec. number 8.00
Jan. 1, Jan. number 6.00
Jan. 1, Paid deficit from 1913-14 26.33
Jan. 1, Commission to Solicitor 10.50
Jan. 1, Postage80
Feb. 1, Feb. number 6.00

\$79.63

Subscriptions and contributions \$60.90

Feb. 1, Deficit to date \$18.73

\$79.63

Stanley V. Wilcox
Business Editor

No Monthly Parish Supper in April

The monthly Parish Suppers, which have been given on the first Thursday in each month, have been exceedingly successful from every point of view. The large number of parishioners who have attended has made these occasions very pleasant in a social way and have brought together many friends in the Parish. The ladies on the various committees have excelled themselves in providing most delicious suppers and the tables and rooms have been most attractive. Great credit is due to these ladies for their successful effort in making these monthly gatherings such delightful features in the Parish life.

Owing to the fact that the first Thursday of April occurs in Holy Week the April Supper will not be held. The two combined committees will arrange for a supper on the first Thursday in May—May 6th—when it is hoped there will be a large attendance. The last supper in the series will be on the first Thursday in June—when all the committees and societies of the Parish will combine in a general Parish meeting.

No one should fail to attend the next two suppers—Thursday May 6th and June 3rd. A very enjoyable time is promised to all on both these occasions.

Young People's Meetings

Have you been to one of the Young People's meetings yet? They are held at 7.00 sharp every Sunday evening and they last just half an hour, but during that half hour there is all the spirit and enthusiasm you could want. They are called Young People's meetings but only on the idea that a person is just as young as he or she feels. All ages come and all ages enjoy it. We have a seat saved for you. Remember, every Sunday night at 7.00 sharp in the Parish House.

Notice for Boys

The first Saturday after Easter, the boys of the Parish are invited to meet at the Parish House at 9.30 and take a hike out into the country. Elementary and practical instruction will be given in tracking, trailing, fire-making, camp-

cooking, camp construction and other branches of wood-lore. The party will cook their own lunch and return to the Parish House about 2.30 in the afternoon. Later on will be given instruction in fire making without matches, how to recognize different kinds of trees, how to bridge small streams or creeks, signalling, camp and tent location and sanitation—all the knowledge that the experienced camper has and that the boy wants to have. If you want to join this crowd give your name to the Parish Secretary and remember the day of the first hike—Saturday, April 10th at 9.30 A. M.

The Mothers Meeting

We recently had a pleasant visit from our friend Mrs. Dayton who spent the afternoon with us and played the accompaniment for the hymns. We have sadly missed a musician this winter, Mrs. Rowley's illness having kept her at home.

The Rector's helpful talks are always enjoyed and we also had an address and a Bible reading from Mr. Gurley which was very interesting.

Some of the readers of "The Chimes" may not know that Christ Church was the first Church to organize a Mother's Meeting. Over fifty years ago Miss Bayard organized the women of the Parish who were employed by the day, into a Guild which she called the Mothers Meeting. We now have twenty-one names on the roll with an average attendance of fifteen. We are always glad to welcome new members.

A. M. M.

Girls Notice

All girls in the Parish who would be interested in forming a play-ground baseball team please give their names to the Parish Secretary as soon as possible. Those of ages from 14 to 16 years are eligible.

Junior Auxiliary

The Juniors have been divided in their work this Lenten season on account of their varying ages. The older girls have taken up a course of Mission Study, the course being worked out on the story of "The Building of the City."

The little girls are making over Easter cards to send away in time to carry the joyful message "He is risen!" to those little ones who have not the benefits and opportunities that they have.

L. J. J.

Athletic Association

We have excellent material out of which to form a boys', a girls, and a young men's baseball team. But we can't play baseball in the Parish House or on the streets and the ground about the house is too small to practice on. Does any man in the Parish own, control or know of a good field, the use of which we could have either by their efforts or by our own? It is really a pressing need. Look back to your own early days when the frost came out of the ground and the robins began to sing and the fleecy clouds drifted lazily across the blue sky and the warm sun-kissed breeze blew gently upon your face and somebody yelled "Play ball" and you heard the crack of the bat against the ball and—but why go further? We want to play the good old game, but have the right to no field large enough. Can you help us out?

The Men's Club

Arrangements are now being made to furnish one of the large rooms on the first floor of the Parish House as a Club Room for the men of the Parish. The lighting of the room will be improved and the room fixed up in every way calculated to add to its comfort and attractiveness. But we need furniture, games, magazines and your help. Here are some of the ways you can give it.

A subscription to any one or more of the evening papers for our newspaper file.

A subscription to any good dependable magazine that will interest men.

The cost of fitting up one of the "cozy corners."

The cost of lace curtains for the windows.

A game of checkers, chess, dominoes or any other that amuses.

And here are some of the ways of lending your interest. Any article loaned will be labeled with the owner's name and carefully preserved from injury.

A couple or more good, husky straight backed chairs with comfortable seats.

Two good rocking chairs.

A large table cover.

A couple of good sized rugs.

Two good oil lamps with dark shades.

Of course we could eventually buy all these things but what's the use if you'll lend them to us, instead of paying storage bills for them or keeping them tucked away in the attic or cellar. If you'd come around some night to the Parish House and look the situation over you'd be surprised to find how much you could help to make this Men's Club Room attractive and the club itself attractive to you. Of course you may be ready and willing and anxious and eager to help from a distance but there are so many men like that we can't keep track of them so we just have to depend more or less on the men who come around in the flesh and not in the spirit alone. Please don't wait to be asked. We haven't got stamps or shoe leather enough for that. The Club Room, starting April 4th, will be open for the convenience and comfort of the men of the Parish every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening between 7 and 10 o'clock. Make use of it but in the meanwhile help every way you can to fix the room up. Just have a talk with the Rector or his assistant and see what particular obstacles to our plans you can remove.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, of which there are 82 branches, held an all day meeting at the Church House, Thursday the 25th, 1915. The session was called "A School for Librarians."

There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.00 A. M. at which the Bishop was the celebrant.

There then followed a series of one hour sessions, under the following heads:

Canvass of Parish and the Methods.
Records and Publicity.

Books, Cards and Magazines in
Bulk.

Donors and Recipients.

Finance and Parish Meetings.

Noon-Day Prayer was made by our former Curate, Mr. Gernand. Miss M. E. Thomas, the Executive Secretary of the Central Office, came over from New York and was present at all the sessions, making an address at the close of the stipulated classes.

Bishop Rhinelander again came to us at five o'clock and made the closing address, telling of his personal experience in this great work and how it should be brought before the notice of each Parish and to be mindful of the fact that it is a part and portion of the Woman's Auxiliary.

With his blessing we adjourned with our hearts and minds full of renewed interest and strength to go on with this splendid work, despite the discouragements of parishioners who ruthlessly turn one aside with the remark:

"Oh! it is too much bother and trouble."

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

L. J. J.

Girls Friendly Society

The social activities of the G. F. S. have continued with vigor. The girls meet the third Tuesday (before Lent) in every month especially for dancing. We charge the members 10 cents and the non-members 20 cents a lesson. The members of the G. F. S. and also those who are not members have taken such a great interest in these dancing classes that we have bought a Victrola. This Victrola will be rented to any of the Parish societies for \$1.00 an evening.

Although we have bought a few new records, we would like to have any records that have been used and have become tiresome to their owners.

If any of our kind friends of the Parish have such records will they please communicate with Miss Morgan at once.

M. L. I.

Daughters of the King

The regular business meeting of the Daughters of the King was held on Feb. 1st, at which was reported 16 Parish visits; also two delegates were elected to attend a meeting of the local assembly held at Grace Church, 41st and Girard Ave.

On Tuesday, February 9th, was the meeting of the Local Assembly, eight members reporting from our chapter. The afternoon was given over to business and also an address by Mrs. Pillsby, on Social Service in the Church. We had evening service in the chapel and an address by Bishop Garland.

The devotional meeting was on Feb. 15th at which we welcomed Mrs. Berger, President of the Local assembly, as a visitor. It was also decided at this meeting, that we should work this Lent for the City Mission. Any donation of material or money would be gratefully received.

E. O.

Junior Auxiliary

At the last business meeting of the Junior Auxiliary Mrs. Belfield, Miss Anderson and Miss Quay were elected as members of the entertainment committee.

During Lent Mrs. Johnson is holding a Mission Study Class, on Friday afternoon from three thirty to four thirty o'clock. It is for girls over ten years old. Mrs. Belfield and Miss Quay have care of the children under ten years old who paste pictures and string beads.

We have finished and will soon send the baby outfit which we promised to contribute to the Belgians.

We held the monthly party the first Friday in February which was well attended.

Mr. Beckett spent the afternoon with us. Refreshments and games were enjoyed by all.

M. H.

A Call for Service

It is not a wise plan to talk too much about things before they are accomplished and so this will be made as brief and as explicit as possible. It is for the careful attention of all those who are interested in the growth of the parish activities and who would welcome an injection of new life and interest into all of its organizations.

For those who are not interested—this warning is sounded—that when something has been actually achieved—when the boys' and the girls' work has outgrown the present facilities for handling it—when the meetings of the various organizations are alive and full of interest—as some are now and some are not—when the present corps of workers is not sufficient to manage the task with best results—then those who now are not interested will be invited to see the work in actual operation and to experience the satisfaction of helping to make it a greater success. But now is not the time for those who can do it so much better if they had the chance, now is not the time for those who have tried it all before and know there is nothing in it—now is not the time for those who never have any time for this sort of thing—now is not the time for those who don't believe in this kind of work—now is the time for those who will put their hands to the plow, and not turn back. One ounce of heart interest now is worth a ton of criticism.

Three things we need to make this work a success. First, energy—the kind that lasts—second, enthusiasm—the sensible kind—and third—equilibrium which, in plain English, means that blessed state in which imaginative optimism does not run away with common sense.

The co-operation of those who will help is earnestly invited. The problem is this—Given, a well-equipped home for the activities of boys and girls, men and women, old and young. Given also a field for work, filled with those who are anxious for such activities, lacking only the home for them. Required to introduce the people to the home. It is not a one-man task to answer it—it is not a ten-men task—it is

a problem that will be answered successfully only as you make it your own and come to feel your share of the responsibility of its successful answer. Can we count on you?

Enough said, or rather written. Now let's unite and get something done.

"Be sure your world is not one in which things happen. But one in which things are done."

You happen to be a member of this Parish. Is your life in it just a happening or a record of something accomplished in its work?

Cradle Roll

In the course of a few days the mothers of children under four years of age of our Parish, will be asked to take little boxes for the pennies of these babies, and the latter will become members of "Little Helpers" organization, which is the same as the "Cradle Roll." The cause is a most worthy one, as the money goes toward the apportionment of Christ Church for Missions. It is hoped that the mothers of these little ones will become generally interested in these "little red boxes," which will not be collected until the middle of May. In April the mothers will be invited to bring these babies to our Parish House for a social hour. That all may become better acquainted. There will be young ladies present to care for the children while "mother has her cup of tea." It is also hoped that the Rector will be with us on this occasion to welcome these new little ones to this worthy society.

G. H. B.

Mrs. Earl Belfield has been appointed by the Rector in charge of the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School. Four new teachers have been added to this important department of the School, Miss Emma Crowder, Miss Helen Falkner, Miss Alexander and Miss Abrams. The corp of teachers in the Intermediate School now consists of Mrs. Belfield, Miss Yates, Miss Middleton, Miss Clarissa Kist, Miss Brooker, Miss Woodruffe, Miss Abrams, Miss Alexander, Miss Crowder, and Miss Helen Falkner.

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The Rector's Notes

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The Forty Days After Easter

The forty days between the Resurrection and Ascension were in some respects amongst the most important of all the days of our Lord upon earth; they were, of course, important as evidence of the reality of the Resurrection of Christ, and as a pledge of the Resurrection of ourselves; they were important as completing the supernatural character which belonged to our Saviour's life; but they were important likewise for the teaching which they contained. It was in those days that the Lord instructed His Apostles more completely concerning the nature of His Kingdom. He opened their minds to understand things which they could not understand before. He made them ready for that great outpouring of the Holy Ghost, which came down upon the Church on the day of Pentecost. The forty days, therefore, were pre-eminently school-days for the Apostles; they had no ministry of their own to interfere with their progress in Divine knowledge — preaching, healing, the working of miracles,—all were apparently suspended. They had to wait for power from on high. It was a time of holy rest and calm; perhaps the only time of rest and calm which the Apostles had known since they became

Apostles; and it was a time which was well spent in preparing for that storm of affliction and that pressure of labor which were to follow the day of Pentecost, and which were never again to cease till they were followed by the rest and calm of Heaven.

We are easily puzzled if we try to picture to ourselves with any precision the manner in which the time was passed between the Resurrection and the Ascension. It has often been remarked that most of our Lord's recorded appearances to His disciples took place upon His own day; in this way He may have hallowed the new seventh day, and taught His disciples to use it as their great weekly festival; and no doubt He gave them other definite directions as to what they should teach and what they should do; and one would suppose that when He was with them from time to time, He would give them some idea of what was so soon to take place, and would hint to them something of His own Ascension into Heaven, and of the coming of the Holy Ghost. Nevertheless, perceive that when the great event of the Ascension came, it took them by surprise. If one may judge from their language nothing was further from their thoughts. The Lord came to them for

the last time, according to the history preserved by St. Luke, and chosen as the Epistle for Ascension Day: "and when they were come together they asked of Him, saying, Lord, wilt Thou at this time restore again the kingdom of Israel?" so wide were they still of the mark. It was the old notion of the restoration of Israel's glory, not the new Gospel notion of a Holy Catholic Church, founded upon Christ, and established throughout the whole world. And this, observe, was the last question that the disciples ever asked their Lord.

Ascension Day, Whitsunday and Trinity

Three great days occur this month, Ascension, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday. They emphasize three fundamental teachings of the Christian Church. First, Ascension Day:

Jesus Christ is coming again. This day we celebrate with glad hearts that glorious Ascension into Heaven. But we do more than this: we not only testify to our faith in His triumphant departure; we declare an expectation of His still more triumphant return.

There is no greater mistake that a Christian can make, than to think of Jesus Christ Our Lord, as having ceased to be a man when He died a human death. One of our Articles tells us that "Christ did truly rise again from death, and took again His Body, with flesh, bones and all things appertaining to the perfection of man's nature; wherewith He ascended into Heaven, and there sitteth, until He return to judge all men at the last day." And mysterious though this doctrine be, still it is to be held fast as most true and comforting to us during our pilgrimage here upon earth. Jesus Christ is still man, and represents humanity before the Throne of God; we may look upon Him as still able to sympathize with us in our troubles, and as being able and willing to advocate our cause with the feeling of One Who is still our Brother though He

also be our Ascended Lord. The doctrine of the permanent humanity of Christ is the blessed possession of every simple Christian heart. And, therefore, there would seem to be a special propriety in celebrating upon the Feast of Our Lord's Ascension, the blessed Sacrament of His Body and Blood.

Whitsunday

This day is the birthday of the Christian Church. This day the Divine society was constituted. Not till Pentecost were Christians a distinct corporate body. This day the Divine life, the life of the Holy Spirit of God was infused into its members, and the first cry of the new-born Divine society was praise—"They spake in other tongues the wonderful works of God."

For our own hearts and consciences there is a solemn Whitsuntide message of warning: "Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings." He breathes life, but by our wilfulness or our unbelief we can quench the life. He inspires holy thoughts, but we can quench them. He would speak to our consciences, "Do the thing which is lawful and right;" we can say, "I will not." He offers means of grace in service and Sacrament, opportunities of hearing His Word written by the prophets of old, interpreted by the prophesyings of men who are still taught of God; but we can "despise prophesyings," and refuse to attend means of grace, in carelessness, indifference, wilfulness, unbelief. Oh! if we have thus quenched Him in the past, may "God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son have mercy upon us, miserable sinners," and in His mercy pardon us and by His grace make us no longer "miserable" but thankful and glad! And then let us in the Holy Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, surrender ourselves, body, soul and spirit to be living temples of God the Holy Ghost, and we shall receive the renewal of the life which He will bestow, as by faith we partake of our Risen Lord.

Comfort from the Chimes

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter written by a gentleman who lives not far from the Church. The letter is so appreciative that the Rector is constrained to make it public by the permission of the writer:

Germantown, April 23, 1915.

My dear Mr. Arndt:

Though I am not a member of Christ Church Parish, being connected with another body of Christians, it is a joy to know that we are all members of Christ's Parish and that through Him we can be drawn together. I desire to express to you the great comfort and pleasure I received in listening to the Chimes as they have been played during the last weeks. Being confined to the house for over a month, the larger portion of which I was in bed, I eagerly awaited Sunday morning and evening, especially on Easter when they told that "Christ the Lord is risen today, and again one calm beautiful evening when they sounded the notes of a hymn, the words I have known being "Softly now the light of day," it is set to a tune called "Seymour," taken from a composition by "Weber"—and also the same evening "Abide with me," that hymn of so much comfort.

Possibly it will never be known what comfort the Chimes have been and how many beds of pain have been eased through their speaking a message from God.

May Christ Church continue to be the power it has been these years for the building of the Kingdom of our Blessed Lord and Master, Jesus Christ and may the Chimes continue to ring the glad news of the Saviour's Birth, Life and glorious Resurrection.

Sincerely yours,

The Mission Study Class of Christ Church has been especially favored this year by having Mrs. Hayes as its leader. Every member feels it a privilege to be instructed by one of such ability, and her spiritual influence is an inspiration and refreshment. The class numbers sixteen (16) members, the subject this year being "social service" a topic of live interest to all. The class has met every Friday morn-

ing at half past ten o'clock in the Parish House and closed its meetings at the end of the Lenten season.

R. H. B.

One Days Income

The Board of Missions has sent out an appeal to every member of the Church asking that "one day's income" be given by all toward meeting the deficit of \$100,000 with which the Board is confronted.

"We are encouraged"—says the circular letter, by the fact that the laity of the Church have urged some such action. One of them writes:

"I am deeply distressed by the failure of the Church to give the apportionment. In view of present world conditions, is it enough for the Board of Missions to say: 'There ought to be no retreat?' Should it not rather declare 'There must be an immediate and determined advance?' Does the Board ask enough of us Churchmen? Are we not able to provide all that is needed?"

This layman offers not simply to give one day's income, but the income of one day for each of twelve months, in addition to his usual missionary offerings.

Will you enlist in this campaign? If so,

1. Will you join us in prayer that we may have vision and faith, and may learn the joy and blessing of sacrifice? Deeper far than the need for money is the need for devout prayer in the Name of Our Lord.

2. Will you, in addition to your usual missionary offerings, give not later than June 1st, 1915, at least **ONE DAY'S INCOME?**

3. If this is impracticable will you make an equivalent self-denial offering?

All gifts for the Emergency Fund will count upon the apportionment of your parish and diocese unless you request otherwise.

Will you follow?

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Alexander R. Cheston (1914)

Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—1st Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

From the Parish Register

BAPTISMS

We receive thee into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign with the sign of the cross, in token that hereafter thou shalt not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under His banner, against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant, unto thy life's end. Amen.

March 28—Dorothy May Gill

April 4—Elizabeth Fontaine Baker

Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

April 5—David Franklin Wilcox and Mary Emla Tayler

April 24—Clarence Raymond Moore and Olive Marguerite Moore

BURIALS

"I believe in the communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen."

April 3—Sarah M. Hopper

Kalendar for May

May 1st—St. Philip and St. James

May 2nd—Fourth Sunday after Easter

May 9th—Fifth Sunday after Easter (Rogation)

May 10th—Rogation Day

May 11th—Rogation Day

May 12th—Rogation Day

May 13th—Rogation Day

May 13th—Ascension Day

May 16th—Sunday after Ascension

May 23rd—Whitsunday

May 24th—Whitsun-Monday

May 23rd—Whitsun-Tuesday

May 26th—Ember Day

May 28th—Ember Day

May 29th—Ember Day

May 30th—Trinity Sunday

Young Peoples' Meeting

Have you been coming to the Young Peoples' Meeting at seven o'clock in the Parish House. There have never been less than twenty five present since these meetings were started. You are missing something if you don't come. Try to be there next Sunday at seven P. M. The meetings close just in time for church at 7.45. Join with the rest and enjoy a brief but interesting service.

Confirmation Class

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, visited this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening and confirmed a class of thirty one persons. The following are the names of persons confirmed:

Edna Florence Adams

Edyth Shirley Adams

Robert Armstrong

David Butler Arndt

James Andrew Aull, 3rd

Frederick Holl Belfield

Cathryn Bohr

Arthur Roger Boyd

Frothingham Butler Falkner

Howard Needham Feist

Carrie Glassey (Mrs.)

Mary Salome Glassey

Dorothy May Gill

Reginald Evans Graeff

Arthur William Hood

James Henry Howell

Ralph Newton Howell

Elizabeth Reiman Kenning

Katherine Louise Kimmerling

Marguerite Hashan Laughlin

Frances Laughlin

Carrie Manser (Mrs.)

Ralph Manser

John Gillette Moe

Leonora Blanding Robinson

Blanche Rossiter Stevens (Mrs.)

Charles Gordon Sutcliffe

Edith Thompson

Maud Montgomery Thompson

Marie Eugenia Warrick

Lewis Sherrard Whitby

Despite the heavy snow storm on Easter even a large number of persons were present to make their communion on Easter morning. The total number who communed was 360.

The music on Easter Day was most beautifully rendered. The Crucifixion was sung on Good Friday evening with deep feeling and expression. The Choir under the direction of the new Choir Master, Mr. Horace Hardy is doing excellent work.

Lawn Party

Starting at 7.30 o'clock on the evening of Friday, April 30th there will be held in the grounds about the Parish House a Lawn Party. The tickets are ten cents apiece and will entitle the holder to admission to the grounds and refreshments. Among the many attractions which will be on the program for the evening is a wrestling match, a sack race, a shoe race, a 3-legged race and a blind boxing event which will cause great amusement. The services of an eminent French palmist have been secured and the visitor can find all the happenings of the next few years revealed for a nominal charge. There will also be two accomplished musicians present who will keep everybody awake. One of these musicians plays the violin, the other the harp. But the crowning attraction of all will be the automobile which will be here, prepared to give all passengers a ride for a remarkably reduced rate. Be sure to come and be sure to bring all your friends. All money realized from the party will be used for the expenses of the baseball teams and the fitting up of the tennis courts. A good cause—help it along.

Dramatic Club Notice

On Friday May 14th there will be given a two-act play in the Parish House. All the dramatic talent in the Parish will unite to make this play worth seeing. Admission by ticket only, will be twenty five cents. Remember the day and get your reserved seat early. Watch the Church Bulletin for further announcement in regard to this.

Parish Baseball News

The Senior Baseball Team will play the first game of the league season on Saturday May 1st, at 3.00 P. M., at "Ten Acre Lot," McCallum and Elliot Streets. Be sure to be there in time for the flag raising. The team expects the support of every baseball fan in the Parish.

Last Mother's Meeting

The Mother's Meeting will bring their sessions to a close on Tuesday, May 4th. There will be some special feature at this meeting and refreshments will be served. All members are requested to be present.

The Easter Offering

The offering on Easter Day amounted to \$1614.31. This amount represents for the most part, the generosity of the rank and file of the members of the Parish. In many cases it meant genuine self-sacrifice.

The members of the Mother's Meeting gave over \$30.00. The Women's afternoon Bible Class gave \$20.00. Both of these amounts were earned by the labors of the members. This same splendid spirit was manifested in many other cases in the Parish.

The Vestry asked for \$2600.00. This full amount would have unquestionably been realized if some persons, from whom large gifts were expected, had responded. Perhaps they may yet do so, and perhaps others, who did not give as liberally as they might, will generously increase their offering and send it to the Warden.

The balance of \$1000.00 must be realized. Three persons have signified their willingness, since Easter, to give again. Are there not others who will respond, so that the full amount needed will be met? Make the Warden's heart glad by remitting to him.

He will acknowledge your generosity with deep appreciation. His name and address is J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Women's Missionary Society

The Women's Missionary Auxiliary will hold their next meeting on Thursday, May 1st, at 10.30 A. M. The programme for the next year's work will be planned at this meeting. All women in the Parish are invited to be present.

Bible Class for Men

The Men's Bible Class has changed its meetings from Sunday morning to Sunday afternoon at 2.30. The topic studied is the wanderings of the Children of Israel, and later, the Life of Joshua. Session of the class is about forty-five minutes. Why not come around and help us grow? Our aim is fifty men and your help is necessary and will be appreciated.

Every Sunday at 2.30 in the Parish House.

Monthly Parish Supper

The next monthly Parish Supper will be held in the Parish House on Thursday evening, May 7th, between 6-7 o'clock. The Committee in charge consists of Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Mrs. Frank Wells and Mrs. James A. Aull.

These monthly parish suppers have been delightful occasions during the past winter and have been enjoyed by all who have attended. There will be only one more after this one and it is hoped that every person who attends Christ Church will be present at this and the following supper and will bring friends with them. Do not forget the date: Thursday evening, May 7th from 6-7 o'clock. A splendid supper and a pleasant evening—fifty cents.

Boys' Brigade

The Boys' Brigade are proving themselves of value to the parish and church by assuming the responsibility of the ushering and taking of the offering on Sunday nights. Their lieutenant has labored hard and faithfully to make this organization a success and should have the support and interest of the adults of the parish. The Brigade meets every Friday night in the Parish House and visitors are always welcome. Only a few weeks ago a very handsome cup was won by this troop for excellency shown in competitive drill and they are prepared to keep this cup in its present location. The next drill for it will be held in the Parish House the last week in this month. The exact date will appear in

the Church Bulletin. Your interest in this organization would be appreciated.

Athletic Association

The Athletic Association of the Parish acknowledges with grateful appreciation the generous response in answer to the letters which were sent out asking for subscriptions to sustaining membership. The following gentlemen have evidenced their interest and desire to help by subscribing to this membership. Messrs. H. W. Amerling, James Aull, Edward Bains, Henry R. Baremore, Frederic Brigham, A. R. Cheston, Wm. S. Crowder, John Davidson, W. C. Feist, Wm. J. Hearst, Chas. Jackson, Dr. Wm. N. Johnson, Wm. E. Mikell, Geo. T. Morgan, R. H. Morris, J. J. Morrison, Col. Sheldon Potter, D. Lawrence Simcox, Albert E. Wilcox and J. M. Woodruffe.

This membership costs \$2.00 and we would be very glad to have the women of the Parish co-operate in this way as well as the men if they feel so disposed. The Secretary will be glad to talk over the question with any who desire full information as to the finances of the Association, how received and how expended and the amount needed at present. The more that help, the more the activity and the larger the result. Please remember that—Come and see what you can do to help this Association to be entirely successful.

Men's Club Room

The Men's Club Room is beginning to look very comfortable. Members of the Parish have been very considerate and thoughtful in supplying furnishings. The room is open for the men every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 7.30 to 10 P. M. The need now is for pictures and a moulding to hang them on. But these will come in time. Many thanks to those who have already contributed.

Ascension Day Services

The services on Ascension Day Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.; Holy Communion and address at 11.00 o'clock. The offering will be for missions.

Junior Brotherhood

The Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Christ Church Chapter, is in a very prosperous condition. Every member is taking new interest in the affairs of the chapter and the past month has witnessed renewed activity in the various branches of chapter work.

We had recently a joint debate with the chapters of Calvary, St. Michael's, and St. Peter's churches and we were ably represented by Messrs. Morrison, Boyd and Cooper. The next debate will be held the night of Tuesday, May 4th, at 8.00 o'clock in the Parish House. To this all members of the Parish are cordially invited. The subject for debate will be: Resolved "That the press is beneficial to the public." Christ and Calvary Church chapters will take the affirmative and St. Peter's and St. Michael's the negative.

We have taken in three new members and admitted four boys as probationers. Also we are rapidly organizing a Brotherhood Baseball Team and will be glad to accept challenges from any team of intermediate age and good standing.

Our Chapter meets the second and fourth Tuesday nights of every month. Come around to the Parish House to one of these meetings and see and hear what we are doing and plan to do.

Indians on Broadway

It takes a good deal to surprise New York, but the sight of 300 Indians, cowboys and cowgirls, in full regalia, marching down Broadway to attend a service at Grace Church made the most casual onlooker open his eyes. They were part of a "Wild West" show at the Madison Square Garden. Most of them were from the Pine Ridge Agency in South Dakota, and members of our mission there. Dr. Slattery had arranged special service for them, at which more than thirty of the Indians received the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In the course of the service "Rock of Ages" was sung by the Indians in the Dakota tongue.

Envelope Subscribers

The number who subscribe through the envelope system now amounts to 235. This is a slight increase over the past year and it is greatly to be desired that the number of subscribers shall be extended until it reaches every attendant at the services of Christ Church. The expenses of the Church go on whether the members are present or not and every self-respecting person will wish to do his or her share. Parents should inculcate in their children the habit of unselfish giving by systematic and regular method. This should be done in the interest of the child's own future happiness as well as for the interest of the Church. Every member of every family in the Parish should have his or her individual envelopes and should give regularly and conscientiously to the work of the Church. "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him. 1 Cor. XVI: 2.

Pledge cards will be found in the racks in the vestibule or may be had by applying to the Verger. Please sign these pledge cards and place them in the Alms Basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to your address.

Bishop Brent of the Philippine has declined the call which was extended to him by the Diocese of New Jersey to become its Diocesan. He feels bound to remain in the work which he has undertaken in the Philippine Islands. We have reason to be thankful for such leadership as that shown by our missionary episcopate. Decisions like this of Bishop Brent are a high testimony, not only to the individual qualities of the man who makes them, but to the importance of the work in which he is occupied.

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The Rector's Notes

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The Church Year

On Trinity Sunday culminates the
doctrinal half of the Church Year.
The remainder of the year from now
to Advent the Church lays great em-
phasis on the practical side of life.
"Beloved, let us love one another: for
love is of God: and every one that
loveth is born of God," are the opening
words of the Epistle for the First Sun-
day after Trinity.

Hitherto the emphasis from Advent
on has been on the "fundamentals of
the faith,"—the Incarnation, the Resur-
rection, the Ascension, the coming of
the Holy Spirit. On Trinity Sunday
the Church's services mount up to the
throne of the Godhead. In the word
"Trinity," she simply sums up what is
revealed concerning God—that in sub-
stance He is one, but in Persons, three.

The reception of truth must be gra-
dual. The Church leads us step by
step from Advent to Trinity Sunday.
In Advent is heralded the coming of
the Son of God and we are taught to
prepare for Him, "to make His ways
straight;" at Christmas the heavenly
host proclaims from the starry firmam-
ent the "good tidings of great joy;"

on Epiphany, the wise men came from
afar, and the Christ is manifested to
the Gentiles; through Lent we enter in-
to our Saviour's Temptation; in Geth-
semane we witness the Agony; on
Good Friday we follow our Saviour
to the Cross and see the Son of God
suffer and die for us; on the glorious
Feast of Easter we see Him rise trium-
phant from the grave; then for forty
days after the Resurrection we follow
Him as He teaches His disciples
"things pertaining to the Kingdom of
God;" then on Holy Thursday we
are with the Apostles and behold
His glorious Ascension into Heaven,
there to sit on the right hand of the
Father; while on Whitsunday we are
taught that the Comforter, even the
Spirit of Truth, has come to guide us
into all Truth and to dwell in the
Church and in our hearts forever!

Thus does the Church prepare us,
step by step, for the glorious culmina-
tion of her teaching, enabling us to
grasp by faith the mystery of the doc-
trine of the Blessed Trinity.

Along the Church's central space
The sacred weeks with unfelt pace,
Have borne us on from grace to grace"

The summer months suggest a release from many forms of Christian duty. But to a conscientious Christian and faithful Church member regular attendance at Divine Service is as important in summer as in winter. Wherever he may be, at home or abroad, in summer or in winter, wherever and whenever the opportunity offers to worship God in His Holy Temple, the words of the true Christian heart are the words of the Psalmist, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord."

It is very important that new comers moving into the Parish should bring with them letters demissory. Note the following Canon of the Church: "A communicant moving from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish, of late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing."

It often occurs that communicants moving into a Parish, neglect for so long a time, to comply with this Canon, drift about from place to place, or, what is worse, neglect altogether their Church duties, that finally they get into a very dangerous habit of religious indolence and indifference—which soon brings with it hardness and callousness to spiritual influences which result in spiritual death.

There are many good people, who were once earnest and faithful attendants at the services of the Church—even devoted communicants at her altar—whose lives were once "strengthened and refreshed by the Bread of Life"—who are now wanderers from the Fold, prodigals from their Father's House. They have become so, not by any wilful desire, not by disbelief or intentional denial of allegiance to their Christ and His Church; but by the insidious force of habit which almost unconsciously has wrapped itself around them and held them fast—bound like the serpents about Laocoon and his sons.

If these words are read by any who are drifting from place to place, without a Church that they can call their Home—the Rector affectionately ur-

ges that they let themselves be known to him that he may call upon them and welcome them to this Parish as their Church Home.

A letter or a card sent to the Rector will receive prompt attention.

In visiting the sick and the afflicted the Rector receives for himself so much strength and inspiration for his work that he often wishes that many others could share with him in these blessings. One of the most saintly women of the Rector's acquaintance, a "shut in" for years in one of the hospitals of our city, composed for her own use the following prayers which have been a source of great help to her in her suffering and her loneliness. At the Rector's request she has copied them and sent them to him and he prints them below that others may receive from them the comfort and strength which have come, at least to one suffering and lonely heart. Here they are. May God bless them on their way!

Daily Prayer

"Almighty and everlasting God, help me to think with more comfort of Thy love. Fill my unhappy heart with a consoling sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in the sad loneliness of my life. Let me not dishonor Thee in my unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy Heavenly will. Give me a sense of Thy Blessed Presence, and enable me to find peace through Jesus, my Saviour. O Blessed Lord Jesus, let me lay all my sorrows and needs at the foot of Thy cross, and fill my heart with a loving hope that Thy goodness will provide for my desires, in grief, bodily weakness, loneliness and bereavements. Teach me how to overcome sin, and give eternal happiness through Thy precious blood. Amen."

"Heavenly Father, help me to think with more comforting sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in all my earthly life. Let me not dishonor Thee in unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy will. Let me find peace and comfort through my Saviour. Enable me to lay all my sins, sorrows and needs at the foot of His cross. Fill my heart with a loving trust that they will be provided for me in the best way, to the end of my earthly life, and that comfort and strength can be sent to Thy children in every trial. May their souls be cleansed through Thy redeeming blood! Wilt Thou "support us through this troubled life, till the shadows lengthen, the evening comes, the busy world is hushed and our work is done. Then, in Thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace with Thee forever. Amen."

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Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d

and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third

Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's

Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-

day, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Holy Communion—Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union—First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for June and July

June 6th—First Sunday after Trinity
 June 11th—St. Barnabas, Apostle
 June 13th—Second Sunday after Trinity.
 June 20th—Third Sunday after Trinity.
 June 24th—Nativity, St. John, the Baptist.
 June 27th—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
 June 29th—St. Peter, Apostle
 July 4th—Fifth Sunday after Trinity
 July 11th—Sixth Sunday after Trinity
 July 28th—Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
 July 25th—St. James, Apostle (Eighth Sunday after Trinity).

Strawberry Festival
June 3rd

Every one in the Parish must be sure to attend the Strawberry Festival to be held on the lawn and in the Parish House on Thursday afternoon and evening from four until ten o'clock.

There will be a good time in store for everybody and nobody can afford to miss it. The admission will be only 25 cents for which will be given an abundance of strawberries, delicious ice cream and home-made cake, Lemonade, candies and cakes will also be on sale for the children to enjoy themselves and jolly auto-rides, for 5 cents a spin, will afford fine fun for all. There will be music in the Parish House and later in the evening there will be an opportunity given to the beaux and their lassies to—did we say "trip the light fantastic toe?" Well, come and see! Don't forget the date—Thursday, June 3rd, from four to ten o'clock. No postponement on account of the weather. If the weather is fair the Parish House lawn will be a fine place to enjoy the moon. If the weather is rainy the Parish House roof is free from leaks and a social good time will be held within the Parish House which will be especially furnished and decorated for the occasion.

Rain or shine—every body come, on June the 3rd and enjoy the fun!

C. A.

Summer Services

The services during the Summer months will be continued at the usual hours but will be shortened in form. Morning Prayer and Sermon, Sunday Mornings at 11 o'clock. Shortened Evening Prayer and address at 7.45.

Holy Communion every Sunday at 7.30 A. M.; also First Sunday in the at 11.00 o'clock.

Sunday School will continue to meet every Sunday morning during the Summer at 9.45 for a bright, interesting session. The lesson will be taught from the desk.

The Rev. Robert M. Beckett, former curate at Christ Church will have charge of the services during the Rector's absence this summer. Mr. Beckett will be ready to respond to any call for his services if word is left at the rectory or by calling him by phone, Gtn. 3980-W.

Vestry Meeting

A stated meeting of the Vestry will be held in the Rector's Study in the Parish House on the first Tuesday in June at eight o'clock.

Poor Childrens Outing Fund

The annual offering for the Poor Childrens' Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on the third Sunday morning in June. This is one of the most worthy charities to which the people of Christ Church are privileged to give. For about \$2.00 one poor child can be taken from the hot street or alley into the country for a week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and receive good, wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom, for several years past, to secure from various organizations for the poor, the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portions of the city—in small dirty courts and narrow streets and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements are made for a week's outing in the country, and in some cases for a longer time. Occasionally a poor, over-worked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are asked to give and what a wonderful privilege it affords to persons, who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for a rest and recuperation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in crowded courts and narrow streets and alleys.

The following letter received last summer from Comly B. Shoemaker, Esq., President of the Bedford Street Mission, which does splendid work for the poor in one of the most miserable parts of the city, shows how greatly appreciated was the contribution to the poor Children's Outing given last year by the people of this Church:

Germantown, Phila.

Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt.

My dear Mr. Arndt:—

I am this morning in receipt of your very kind letter and wish to than you very kindly and most sincerely, not only for the liberal contribution which your church through your kind interest has sent us, but also for the very kind interest you have taken in visiting among the families of our district. Miss Boyd was recently speaking of your having asked her for additional names and of your having been around in different directions. The manner in which you go into things is most encouraging and I sincerely wish others might be willing to do likewise.

Again thanking you, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely,

Comly B. Shoemaker.

**To All Members and Attendants at
 the Services of Christ Church**

It is the desire of the Vestry of Christ Church to extend the use of the envelope system of giving to every member and attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this splendid system of Church support an opportunity is offered to every one—children of this household as well as the adults—to do what they can toward the maintenance of the Parish and the support of its work. The needs of the Parish and its extended usefulness demand that all should do what they can.

All self respecting persons will want to assist in the work to the extent of their ability. "If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little." "Let every one do according as he is disposed in his heart; not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

Less than one half the number of communicants are contributors through the envelope system. This is not just. Everyone should do his or her part. If the pledges through the envelope system should be doubled all the financial needs of the Parish would be met. Will not every one, now, at the beginning of the fiscal year, sign a pledge card for any sum which each may feel disposed to give as a weekly offering. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules or may be had from the Verger. Place this card, signed, on the alms plate at any service. The subscription is held in strict privacy and being purely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time upon notice to the Rector. On receipt of the signed card a package of envelopes will be sent to you. If a subscriber is absent from Church on any Sunday or for any length of time, the total amount due for the absent Sundays, should be placed in the envelope at the first service he attends after his return.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of illness or inclement weather. We feel sure that this system will appeal to all as a practical and business-like method in meeting the Parish expenses.

In signing this card, please do so conscientiously and with the assurance that you are discharging a very plain and obvious duty which, we believe, will also present itself in the light of a privilege.

Everybody should attend the Strawberry Festival at the Parish House, Thursday afternoon and evening, June 3rd, from four to ten o'clock. Cakes, candies, lemonade, and lots of good things to buy. Come and bring your friends.

Admission, twenty-five cents, including strawberries, ice cream and cake.

Parish Support and Missions

The Rector has requested the Accounting Warden to make a statement, through the "Chimes," as to the relative claims on every communicant in the Parish to meet the needs of the Parish support and missions. The following is the Warden's reply:

My dear Mr. Arndt:—

In reply to your inquiry, with reference to the question of division by our parishioners of their offerings between the support of the Church and Missions:

This is, of course, so much a question of personal preference that I hesitate to write of it, because the sum that each gives to the Church support is what one feels to be his share of the Parish expense, whereas the amount given to Missions is what one conscientiously feels they can give for the furtherance of Christianity, with all it means, to others. Church support is what we do for ourselves; missions is what we do for others. However, from a financial standpoint, the requirements are about as follows:

Parochial Expenses	\$9,000.00
Less Pew Rents and Plate Collections	3,000.00
Or \$15.00 through envelope, per Communicant	\$6,000.00
Foreign and Domestic Missions	\$2,000.00

To be provided by Envelope Contributions

From the above it will be seen that the division is 75% to Support of the Parish and 25% to Missions.

Yours respectfully,

J. I. Morrison
Accounting Warden.

The closing meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society was held on Tuesday, May 18, after a very successful and helpful season. The subjects we studied this year were varied and instructive. A trained nurse gave us a very helpful talk on home nursing such as tenters into our lives, a good friend lent us some beautiful records for our Victrola and another friend gave us a charming talk on Operas illustrated by

these records. The Victrola we bought we used for our dancing lessons which were a great success.

Our Lenten Sewing we did as usual making five layetts. We were very proud of our work when we saw it displayed with all the other work of the G. F. S. at the Annual Service.

At Christmas time we filled twenty-four stockings which were distributed to the poor of the Parish and twelve stockings which were sent to the children at Blockley.

The Girls Friendly Society all over the country raised a large sum for the Red Cross work. We sent five dollars.

As we meet other members and Branches of the Girls Friendly Society we realize what a wonderful organization it is. There are branches of the Society in every civilized country in the world. Our branch at Christ Church should be stronger, there are a good many girls in the Parish who should be members and we do hope that next Fall they will join us.

P. M. M.

The Men's Club

The last meeting of the Men's Club was productive of results. An interesting discussion in which the thirty-two members present joined was held concerning the present form of organization and concerning prospective plans for a larger development of both the membership and activity of the Club. The following committees were appointed by the President to meet and prepare reports for the June meeting, Friday, June 11th:

Finance Committee—Messrs. Rowley, Morrison and Amerling.

Reception Committee—Messrs. Davidson, Courtney and A. E. Wilcox.

Nominating Committee—Messrs. Gureley, Morris, Johnson and Sutcliffe.

The first named in each case were appointed chairmen. It was further decided to have the election of officers for the ensuing year at the coming June meeting instead of at the September meeting.

The nominating committee met the past week and the nominations made will be published in the Bulletin next Sunday. Special plans are being made

to have every member of the club out to the June meeting. The prospects for an increase in the interest and activity of the Club are exceedingly bright and every man in the Parish who has at any time been or is now a member is asked to join in and help to realize upon these prospects.

The Athletic Association

The Athletic Association of the Parish reports a decidedly active month of past work and an even more active month ahead. The tennis season has opened up and the courts and grounds about the Parish House have been put in an excellent condition and the use of them is the privilege of every bona fide member of the Parish who is also a member of the Association. All others are respectfully invited not to use the court.

Starting the first of June a nominal fee of twenty-five cents per month will be charged every person using the courts. It costs money to keep them in prime condition and it seems fair to ask those who use them to contribute towards the expense of keeping them in proper repair.

Attention is also called to the new volley ball court. This game was voted the most popular game in the playground associations last year and once a man learns it he never gets tired of playing. The men in the Parish, young or old, are urged to come out in the late afternoons after business and enjoy themselves and get a lot of good exercise beside.

One thing more. The Association is not meeting with the financial support it should have from the adults in the Parish. This is not a complaint. It is a statement of existing fact and it is better to be frank about it. There are about twenty adults who have taken out sustaining memberships and there is room for three times that number. The Association is not in any special need of funds so that is not the purpose of this statement but to some extent approval and interest of an organization in institutional work is evidenced by a willingness to invest funds therein. That sort of interest helps us make an organization and effect a

work worthy of the interest shown. The Association has raised since January 1st last, nearly \$130.00 and no single person has been taxed over \$2.00 at the greatest and only about twenty for that amount. Think what a work we could do were the sustaining membership taken by a fair proportion of the adults of the Parish. Such a membership costs \$2.00. But the Association is very grateful for the support it has received and does not wish to enter the slightest complaint. We're not complaining.—We're just telling you!

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club of Christ Church has never before made a public statement of its work, and its Librarian is much pleased to have this opportunity:

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This reserve is for the purpose of sending out magazines in bulk, books, etc.

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Periodicals going out regularly .. 118
Magazines in bulk 259
Cards in bulk 300
Books in bulk 56

The parish contributed its share of books to the library that is collected and sent out each year by the combined efforts of the C. P. C. of the Diocese.

This report is very meagre when one considers the size of the Parish, and it is earnestly hoped that each one will bear in mind the individual responsibility in this work and each time a periodical, a book or a card comes your way to dispose of remember the C. P. C. and that it is the only church organization that is at work all the year.

L. J.

Don't forget the Strawberry Festival and Cake and Candy Sale Thursday afternoon and evening, June 3rd.

Ice Cream, Strawberries and Cake and a good time. 25 cents.

The Woman's Auxiliary Things Accomplished

The meetings opened with a luncheon and a fine address by Mrs. Ely of St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China. This was in November. Meetings have been held on the first Thursday morning of each month concluding with May. In February we had an address from Deaconess Sabine, on Alaska. In March from Miss Avery on Missionary Study Classes and their work; in April an address on the work at Ichang, China from Deaconess Ridgely and in May Miss Rummey told of St. Barnabas Mission and its work for the colored people of Germantown.

During Lent the Mission Study Class, led by Mrs. Hayes, had an enrollment of eighteen. Also in Lent there was made for the Episcopal Hospital thirty-six garments and fifty smaller articles for use in the hospital. One member who could not attend the sewing meetings sent six pair of knitted bed socks.

The Auxiliary has contributed to the following worthy causes:

To St. Mary's Shanghai	515.30
Bishop Stevens Scholarship	
St. Johns University, Shanghai	1.00
Woman's Aid Germantown	
Convocation	3.20
To Board of Missions through Diocesan branches:	
Domestic	\$5.00
Diocesan	5.00
Colored	5.00
Indian Hope	5.00
Foreign	5.00
To St. Barnabas' Mission	5.00
To the Emergency Fund from Mission Study Class	30.00
United Offerings	58.00
Value of garments for Episcopal Hospital	40.00
Presidents Asso. Germantown and Chestnut Hill	3.00

Total \$181.00

The attendance has been small but we feel that we have accomplished an amount of work which is very much to our credit.

A. M. M.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church has closed its work for the sea-

son, and it is with great pleasure that it announces the following:

25 members enrolled.

15 average attendance.

From November until Lent the following work was completed and forwarded as follows:

Belgian Relief Fund for Babies, 3 flannel petticoats, 11 flannel wrappers, value, \$5.00.

Christmas Box consisting of 10 useful article and 10 presents to St. Mary's School at Sherwood, Tenn., value, \$5.00.

To Jonestown Church Home, Pa., 15 gifts, 15 cards, 25 postal cards, value \$2.00.

To expense account of Junior Auxiliary, \$1.00.

To St. Augustine School, N. C., \$3.00

This latter counts on the Apportionment.

To help repair piano, \$1.00.

Making a total in all of \$17.00 all accumulated through our little collections at each meeting.

We hope to reassemble the first Friday in October and renew our work with ever greater effort and of course greater results.

During Lent we had a Mission Study Class on "The Building of the City."

This class opened with 10 members. There is not much to report on this matter but we hope for better interest and results another year.

The Dramatic Club

The Christ Church Dramatic Club which, under the auspices of the C. C. A. A., presented two plays here recently is planning now for an outdoor play to be given the last of July. It will be a somewhat elaborate affair if present plans materialize and will be staged alongside the Parish Building. The Club will meet the second Thursday in June at 8 o'clock, (June 10th), so as to plan more definitely for this. The officers elected at the last meeting were as follows:

President—Mr. Stanley Wilcox
Vice President—Miss Anne Woodruffe
Sec. and Treas.—Mr. Walter Cotterill
Executive Com.—The officers and Mrs. Belfield, Miss Alexander, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Waldman.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

Our Solemn Responsibility

The various societies of the Parish
have resumed their activities and are
now in the midst of their winters work.

Never have we taken up our Chris-
tian work together under circumstances
and conditions more sobering and more
serious than at this present moment.

The whole world is "groaning and
travailing in pain together." Every
one is sobered in thought. Every one
realizes the seriousness and the solemn-
ity of the hour.

At such a time as this every heart
aches for the untold millions who are
suffering. Every soul yearns to be of
some help, of some service to mankind.

When we contemplate the sublime
heroism the awful sacrifices that are
going on day by day on countless bat-
tle fields, in millions of Christian homes
among all classes of people subordinat-
ing, as they are "individual comfort to
the one great aim of national achieve-
ment, filled with self-surrender, un-
swerving and undoubting obedience to
the inner voice, the same unshakable
conviction of fighting for the best that
is in them," are not our consciences
pricked in self conviction for every idle

moment, every selfish act and selfish
thought. We are being taught to-day
by the terrible sacrifice and suffering
that man's dignity and freedom consist
in the unconditional surrender to duty
and that the aim of society is, not the
largest possible gratification of the in-
dividual instinct for happiness, but the
highest possible expression, in individ-
ual activity, of mankind's striving for
perfection.

"Without the shedding of blood
there is no remission of sin." Calvary
is God's eulogy upon man. It has been
called "God's eternal heartache" made
manifest in terms of time.

Who are the heroes in life? Have
the world's greatest names been those
of men and women who have escaped
from care, been exempt from respon-
sibilities and burdens and heartaches?
And how comes it, then, that the one
ambition of many is to escape respon-
sibilities, to avoid duty, to hold back
from the paths in which God trained
the giants and heroes in all the ages.
The great have marched their pathway
up the hills of difficulty by scarlet foot-
prints. All the great souls grew strong
by burden bearing.

Softness never released an angel from the marble "Chiseled into character" is the literal translation of St. Paul's word about man—building. And Jesus "for the joy that was set before Him endured the Cross."

"Go labor on! spend and be spent!
Thy joy to do the Father's will;
It is the way the Master went;
Should not the servant tread it still?"

Strangers and Occasional Attendants

The Rector is pleased to see the large number of strangers who attend the services of Christ Church. They are always welcome and the ushers are always glad to show them to seats.

It is disappointing, however, to the Rector that these strangers, who come occasionally and some frequently, continue to remain "strangers." He is anxious to meet them and invite them to identify themselves with the Parish. The Parish needs the co-operation and assistance of all and every one needs and should have a "Church Home."

A Pastoral relationship should exist between Rector and people. This cannot be where people fail to let themselves be known or to connect themselves in some way with the Parish. So many good people are "floaters," "ramblers," "homeless." To all such the Rector extends, from the bottom of his heart, a cordial welcome to come to him and he will welcome them Home—to God's House. Every soul needs it. There can be no true happiness apart from God.

Tell the Rector

Frequently the Rector accidentally hears of cases of long-standing illness in the Parish which should have been brought immediately to his attention. As it is impossible for him to know of these circumstances without material communication, the attention of the congregation is called to the rubric at the beginning of the Order for the Visitation of the Sick, which reads, "When any person is sick notice shall be given thereof to the minister of the Parish."

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to

hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Need of Workers

The various societies of the Parish are resuming their winters work. What a splendid opportunity is afforded to every earnest man and woman in this Parish to make his life "tell"!

Workers are needed in every department—among the boys, among the young men, among the girls, among the poor. There are so many shirkers, some jerkers, but not enough workers. It is workers that are needed—men and women, willing and anxious to assume responsibilities for God and resolved to give their best to Him.

The Rector cordially invites all persons who desire to engage in an unselfish and devoted service, to confer with him. They will not apply in vain.

Positions Wanted

The Rector can recommend the following:

A young lady of refinement for position as companion or reader to elderly lady or invalid; or for care of children. Can do light sewing.

A man for general housework.

A widow with young children to support, for days' work in household.

A young woman, with dependent aged mother to support, for clerkship in store in Germantown or attendant in physicians' or dentists' office.

Elderly man, gentlemanly, honest and trustworthy, for watchman in store, office or bank.

Man for labor or days' work.

Woman for days' work.

Information concerning above may be had from the Rector.

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

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Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third

Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d

and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third

Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's

Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-

day, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

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The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for October

Oct. 3rd—Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Oct. 10th—19th Sunday after Trinity

Oct. 17th—20th Sunday after Trinity

Oct. 18th—St. Luke, Evangelist

Oct. 21th—21st Sunday after Trinity

Oct. 28th—S.S. Simon and Jude

Oct. 31st—22nd Sunday after Trinity.

Shall the Chimes be Continued?

The publication of the Chimes was discontinued during the summer months. The Rector has been considering discontinuing its publication altogether, owing to the labor and expense entailed in getting out regularly a monthly publication. The Chimes has been published for thirteen consecutive years and, like many other good things in life, it had begun to be taken for granted and regularly accepted but not adequately supported by the people. Not only a large part of the work but a large part of the expense has fallen on one individual.

It seems that there is a demand for the continuation of the publication of the Chimes; that it has an important mission to perform in the Parish and its loss will be felt by many.

The Rector, therefore, has consented to issue the paper for two or three months. If, by that time the subscriptions and contributions are sufficient to warrant its publication it will be continued; otherwise it will be dropped. Every family in the Parish should send in at least one subscription. In addition to the amount received from subscriptions about \$50.00 will be needed in contributions. If this amount can be guaranteed the Chimes will be continued to be published each month until next summer. It is hoped therefore, that the people in Christ Church will make possible the publication of the Chimes by their substantial support.

The subscription price is fifty cents for one year (ten months). Sixty cts. if sent by mail. Subscriptions and contributions should be sent to the business Editor, Stanley V. Wilcox, 82 West Johnson Street.

Miss Margaret Falkner has kindly

agreed to solicit subscriptions and is authorized so to do.

For Free Distribution

It is desired that every one who attends the services of the Church should have a copy of the Chimes each month. There are copies placed in the vestibules of the Church for free distribution to strangers and others who are not subscribers.

Persons in Arrears

A few subscribers through the envelope system have neglected to make up their arrears and the Accounting Warden would greatly appreciate if all persons in arrears will enclose the amounts due as soon as possible.

A large majority have paid in full and the few in arrears will, no doubt, do the same when their attention has been called to it.

Give Through the Envelope System

It is earnestly desired to extend the use of the envelope system to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this method everyone is given an opportunity to share in the support of the Parish and its work. Children, as well as adult members of the family, are invited to give through this system, thus inculcating in the young the Christian principle of systematic and conscientious giving. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the church. Everyone is urged to take one of these cards and to sign it for any amount each may feel able to give, on one side as a weekly offering to support the missionary work of the Church and on the other side as an offering to the support of the Parish.

Place this card on the plate on Sunday or send it to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Gtn. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of sickness or inclement weather.

This method will appeal to every one as the most practical and business-like in meeting the expenses of a Parish.

It is the method also which will ap-

peal to conscientious people who wish to do their share in the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It is hoped that the system will be extended until every one in the Parish will be a contributor through the envelope system.

The pledge, being wholly voluntary may be withdrawn at any time by notifying the Rector.

The Sunday School

During the summer months the Sunday School held its sessions at the usual hour every Sunday morning, but owing to the absence of many of the teachers, the lesson was taught from the desk. There was an unusually large average summer attendance.

On Sunday, September 26th, the School resumed its regular session with most of the teachers present. A Corporate Communion for the teachers and older scholars was celebrated in the Church at half past seven. We miss some familiar faces and we hope all will soon be back in their accustomed places.

We welcome all young people in this vicinity to join the School. It meets at 9.45 A. M. and there is room for all. The Primary Department for little children is in the room on the first floor. The Bible Classes, Main School and Intermediate Department meet on the second floor. Teachers are needed for several classes and the Rector will be pleased to meet any who will volunteer their services.

On the first Sunday in the month the Sunday School assembles in the Church at 9.45. This monthly Church service familiarizes the young people with the use of the Prayer Book and impresses them with the spirit of reverence and worship. Parents of the children are invited to attend this service at 9.45 on the first Sunday of each month. Parents are cordially invited to visit the Sunday School and to take part in the services.

Friday Afternoon Service

Evening Prayer is said in the Church every Friday afternoon at five o'clock. At this service special intercessions

are made for "peace among the nations," for the "Missions of the Church," for the sick and for the spiritual welfare of the Parish.

More ought to attend these Friday afternoon services.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar on Sundays are given by friends in memory of dear ones who rest in Paradise. On the Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the day of birth, or wedding day or other days of holy association it is most fitting that the memories of those "whom we have loved long since and lost awhile," should cluster about the altar and that we should draw near unto God in the Holy Sacrament, "knit together in one Communion and Fellowship, in the mystical Body of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord."

Persons in the Parish who wish to reserve a day in memory of some dear one by furnishing flowers for the altar are invited to give their names to Mrs. Wm. H. Avery, 54 W. Tulpehocken Street or the Rector.

After the services the flowers are sent to the sick.

The memorial flowers on the Altar in October are as follows:

Oct. 3rd—William Scatchard.

Oct. 10th—Mrs. James Eckersley

Oct. 17th—Mrs. Agnes Purcell

Oct. 24th—Mrs. C. M. Watt

Oct. 31st—Mrs. James H. Ritter

Girls Friendly Society

The Girls Friendly Society will begin its winter work the first Tuesday in October and we hope to have a very helpful and pleasant winter together. The G. F. S. is a very old Society, it was started in England about forty years ago and ever since that time has been doing splendid work among girls. It has now grown to be a very large association with about 45,000 members.

Our branch is not very large but we have had some very good times together. This winter we are going to try to have some very interesting people to come to talk to us on various subjects.

There are not many rules in the Girls Friendly but they are very binding and all the G. F. S. girls feel a very

great love for the Society which has such high standards.

We meet in the Parish House every Tuesday night at 8.00 P. M. and we would be very much pleased to have any girl in the Parish, over fourteen years of age to join us.

P. M.

Church Calendar for 1916

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1916 has been ordered and may be had after November 1st. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

The Church Seasons appear in their appropriate "colors" and the Saints' Days and Festivals of the Church are similarly marked. On the back are selected lesson for each Sunday and Holy Day in the Church Year.

These Calendars may be purchased from Miss Margaret Falkner, 43 W. Tulpehocken St., or from the Verger. They cost thirty cents, apiece.

Services on All Saints Day

The service on All Saints Day, Monday, November 1st, will be Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion and address 11.00. At the latter service the names of all those who have departed this life during the past year will be read from the chancel.

The offering on that day will be for the Rector's Sick and Poor Fund. Persons are invited to send flowers to be placed on the altar in memory of departed friends.

After the service the flowers will be sent to the sick.

Women's Bible Class

The Women's Bible Class, which meets in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, has resumed its sessions. An invitation is extended to all women to attend the meetings. The class is taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore.

Parish Reception

It has been suggested by a number of ladies that a Parish Reception be given to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt that the parishioners of Christ Church

may meet the new members of the Parish.

The suggestion has met with a hearty approval and a committee of ladies will arrange for a Parish Reception to be held the middle of November. The date will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

The Woman's Auxiliary

The first meeting of the season of 1915-16 will be held on October 14 at 10.30 A. M. in the Parish House. There will be a nelection of officers, the selection of the different committees will be made after which a light luncheon will be served.

The Auxiliary will have a printed program this year, which will be distributed among the women of the Parish. Each meeting will be devoted to some special subject or branch of Church Missionary Work.

October 14 Election of Officers, Appointment of Committees-Luncheon. Nov. 4—Church Periodical Club.

Dec. 2—United Offering. An address by the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. Ralph North.

Jan. 6—Colored Missions.

Feb. 3—Diocesan Missions.

March 2—Indian Hope Association

April 6—Domestic Missions

May 4—Foreign Missions

In the Spring the Auxiliary will give a Missionary Tea, the date of which has not yet been selected.

Don't Believe in Missions

"Convert the heathen at home," is a sound doctrine. But "first convert the heathen at home" is a fallacy and an evasion. The man who puts the emphasis on the word "first" you know will be the last man to give you anything for the heathen of home or abroad. No man waits until the education of his oldest child is complete before beginning the education of his youngest. All grades of God's children, like all grades of ours, must be educated simultaneously. And yet we hear that we must "first convert the heathen at home."

Now, no business man has any right to say that regarding the religion of Jesus Christ, unless he is ready to

stand by it as a principle in business. To lay down a principle for some one else that we intend to repudiate for ourselves, comes seriously near to being cant. Does any man conduct his business on the principle of "first convert the heathen at home?" Does any great merchant wait until he has sold his commodity in every household in his city before he attempts to sell it in the rest of the state? Does he wait until everybody in the state is buying from him before he tries to sell his goods in the South? Or does he go where he finds the readiest response and the quickest returns? You are selling the best shirts that are made. Not all the people in your city are buying. Why, then, do you go out West to sell? Why not "first convert the heathen at home?"

If the apostles had remained in Jerusalem until all Jerusalem was converted we would be in heathen darkness now; for all Jerusalem is not converted yet, and never will be. And our own civilization is the result of foreign missions; for our race was "foreign" to the first missionaries. And the least we should do is to do for others what has been done for us.—

Junior Brotherhood

All members of the Parish Brotherhood are requested to note that the first meeting this Fall will be held Tuesday next, October 12th at 8.00 P. M. in the Parish House. The winter's work will be discussed at this meeting. The plans include an active campaign for boys to join the Sunday School and also a system of getting back the Sunday School members of past years.

It is very important that every member of this Chapter be present Tuesday night.

Men's Bible Clsas

The Men's Bible Class held its opening session last Sunday. The study for the coming sessions will be "The Life and Teachings of Christ—a comparative study in the Four Gospels."

The men of the Parish are urged to unite with this class and enable this Parish to have a Men's Bible Class second to none in Germantown.

The class meets in the lower room in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 10.00 A. M. and adjourns at 10.10. Forty minutes of earnest Bible Study—it will do every man good. The men of this Parish will be welcomed here. No time like the present to join.

Senior Brotherhood

One of the most encouraging events in the Parish life of the past month was the meeting held September 15th for the purpose of reviving and re-energising the local Senior Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The fifteen men present decided to restore this organization to its former place of vigorous activity in the Parish work and steps were taken to centralize this activity into two departments—the Men's Bible Class and the Campaign for Men for the Church. Members were appointed to be present at the various services of the church to greet strangers. Those who are with us for the first time are urged to make themselves known to some members of this Brotherhood. It is purposed to have every one feel that Christ Church is not merely a place of worship but a church home for all who come to these services. Home implies fellowship, friendship, cheerfulness—a place for the exercise of all that is best in every man's thought, speech and action.

It was the spirit of the recent meeting that the men present should do all in their power to second the Rector's efforts to make Christ Church so present itself to every one attending its services.

The Brotherhood will hold its meetings the third Monday of the month—next meeting being October 18th. Mr. Chas. E. Beury, Secretary of the Philadelphia Local Assembly will be present and speak upon "The Opportunity of the Brotherhood."

This new organization is due for a great work in this Parish.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary will resume its meetings on Friday, October the eighth at three thirty o'clock. We are planning for interesting, helpful and social meetings during the winter—it is hoped there will be a large atten-

dance at the meetings as this is the time of the annual election of officers. Girls of all ages are cordially invited to join the Junior Auxiliary and work for Missions.

Every Friday afternoon in the Parish House at three thirty o'clock.

G. H. B.

Special Musical Services

The choir, under the direction of Mr. Hardy, is arranging to give a series of musical services on the last Sunday evening of each month commencing October 31st. These services will be highly attractive—a real treat for you and your friends, and deserve to be well attended.

Our church is fortunate in its wealth of great sacred music, and it will be from the best of this material that the selections for these services will be taken.

The entire musical program for the first service, October 31st will be from the works of Sir John Stainer, probably the most distinguished of modern English composer of church music.

The Rector will make appropriate and interesting addresses at all of the services—the subject for this month's address being suggested by the life of the composer, Dr. Stainer.

Programs will be distributed later in the month, but in the meantime, don't forget the date—the last Sunday of the month. Resolve to come yourself and bring others with you.

A. W. H.

The Masquerade Party

There's plenty of action and life in the plans of the various societies for the coming winter but the first large event in which all are invited is to join in the Masquerade Party to be given here by the Athletic Association on the night of Friday before Halloween—Oct. 29th is the exact date. Of course, since the days of King Arthur, there have been Masquerade Parties, but there have never been any just like this Party is going to be. The Association is going into this on a large scale. The Parish House will be

thrown open and every available space used for the various kinds of entertainment. The flour barrel and the tub of water and the swinging apple and all these prehistoric amusements will be there, but in addition many that will be absolutely new will be ready for the guests. The Party is planned for old and young alike—none too old and none too young to enjoy themselves there.

Tickets will be sold at fifteen cents apiece and admission will be by ticket only.

All those selling tickets will have them marked with a letter corresponding to one opposite their name on the Association book and ticket sellers will thus be held responsible for those presenting tickets marked with their letter. This precaution is taken to prevent any undesirables from gaining admittance and to ensure entire freedom from any troublesome conduct. The Association believes that there are plenty of people in this Parish to take a real live interest in this party and enable everybody to have a real large time on a very happy occasion.

There will be music by two eminent artists from Sunny Italy (via South Philadelphia) both masters in their line—there will be magic and fortune telling, caricatures and games and plenty of refreshments. Now just read it all over again and then take the calendar and put a circle around Friday the 29th of October and then gather in a handful of tickets and come to the "Realest Partie" imaginable. The General Director of this happy event will be Mr. Charles M. Cotton, who will tell all about it all the time and any time he is requested to do so.

NOTICE

Owing to lack of space report of the Summer work and the financial report of the Church Athletic Association will appear in the November issue of the Chimes. The treasurer's report for the past summer will be gladly shown to anyone interested.

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his conscientious duty to dedicate himself to God's service in the Holy Communion on that Sunday. Like St. Andrew, try to bring another to Christ in that Holy Sacrament. Men of Christ! Make it your duty, avail yourself of the privilege, of coming to God's Altar at the early Celebration the first Sunday of the Mission—the First Sunday in Advent. Let there be a great outpouring of men,—earnest, eager, praying men, seeking Christ on this early Sunday morning. God's Holy Spirit will surely bless those who come seeking Him, in the name of and through the Blood of His Blessed Son.

This early Communion will be followed by **Morning Service at 11.00 o'clock.** The Missioner will preach the first sermon of the Mission.

On this Sunday evening he will preach at St. Michael's Church. The special preacher at Christ Church on this Sunday evening at 7.45 will be the Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Jr. The Missioner will be at all the daily services of the Mission held in Christ Church during the following week.

The daily services of the Mission this week—Monday, November 29th to December 5th, inclusive—will be as follows:

7.30 A. M.—Holy Communion.

4.15 P. M.—(except Saturday)—Conference on "History of American Church."

8.00 P. M.—Preaching Service.

The daily afternoon Conference will afford a rare opportunity for all to learn something definite about the history of the American Church. All who desire an intelligent understanding of the facts of history, as they concern the American Church, will want to avail themselves of every one of the afternoon Conferences.

The hour—4.15—has been placed so that the young people from school may also attend. Every woman should arrange her household and social duties so that nothing may interfere with these daily Conferences. It is to be regretted that the Conference could not be at an hour so that persons, who are employed during the day—both men and women—could be present. It would be well worth the effort and sacrifice if every man and woman, employed during the day, could arrange to be excused early from their work and attend these afternoon Conferences. The opportunity is rare. The privilege is great. Every effort, therefore, should be made to take advantage of it. Let every one try!

Every night during the week at 8 o'clock a great Preaching Service will be held in this Church. The service will consist of prayers and hymns. Stirring hymns, familiar to all, will be sung. The music will be furnished by the Choirs of the various parishes in the group—each taking one evening or more. Hearty congregational singing will be a feature of these daily night services. The preacher will be the Missioner. Plain, simple, precious Gospel truths will be the theme. The souls of men are hungry for it. In these distressing times the world needs Jesus Christ. All else has failed! None other can satisfy the human heart! You need Him! Come prayerfully and receive Him!

Be a Missionary! Do not be selfish! Share your privileges! Let others know of this Mission! Invite them to the services. Still better, bring them with you. Be a St. Andrew! It is a glorious work—It is a wonderful privilege—to bring a person to Christ! Do it.

No offering will be taken at the services. There will be no expenses except the incidental expenses for printing, advertising the services and for traveling. To meet the incidental expenses of the Mission, a box at the door will receive offerings from any who wish to give. The Missioner receives no reward, except the reward, the inestimable reward of turning, by God's grace, some soul, to Him. May God grant

him this reward. Let every one pray for him and the Mission. May there be many who shall be touched at heart and turned, by the Holy Spirit, from death unto life.

At the final service on Saturday night, December 4th, a thank offering will be received. This offering will be an expression of our thanksgiving to God for the blessings of the Mission and for His infinite mercies to us and to our land. This offering will be devoted to the Missionary work of the Church,—at home and abroad, that is to the preaching of the Gospel, the telling of the Good News, to the spread of Christ's Kingdom upon earth. What a glorious way of showing our gratitude to God by sharing with others the blessings He has given to us! Every one will want to do all he can. Be sure to be at this Sunday evening service. It will also be a preparatory service for the following Sunday.

Sunday, December 5th, a Great Missionary service will be held in Christ Church at eleven o'clock.

We are most fortunate in having as special preacher at this service the Rt. Rev. Arthur L. Lloyd, D. D., of New York, President of the Board of Missions. This will be the first opportunity for the people of Christ Church to hear Bishop Lloyd and no one can afford to miss it.

The Celebration of the Holy Communion will follow.

In the afternoon at three o'clock a service for the combined Sunday Schools of St. Peter's, St. Michael's, Epiphany, St. Barnabas and Christ Church will be held in our Church. The Sunday School from each Parish will march to Christ Church in a body. There will probably be upward of 700 children. It will be an inspiring sight. Members of the Sunday Schools will be seated first. Others are invited but will not be admitted to the Church until after the members of the School are seated. The service is to begin promptly at three o'clock and last one hour.

A Service for Men Only will be held immediately after the Sunday School service at 4.15. "Man's part in the great religious movement of the world" will be the theme. All men will want to attend this service. All are invited, none should stay away. Boys are also welcome. This service will be in charge of the men of the five parishes.

Services on Sunday Night in Christ Church will be held at 7.45. The special preacher will be the Rev. C. E. Betticher, Missionary to Alaska.

I have thus far set forth the hours of the services, their subjects and their purposes. I have omitted to mention the most important thing of all—the power of the Mission. The power consists in the spirit in which we enter it—the Spirit of Prayer. I earnestly ask every member of Christ Church to make the Mission an object of daily prayer. "Prayer"—says our Bishop in his address to the people of this Diocese—"prayer must come first. God's blessing will follow our preaching and our pleading in proportion as we pray. This is quite certain. The Mission is a purely spiritual work. Prayer is therefore its chief instrument. Without prayer we shall not only be inviting failure. We shall be bringing down judgment on ourselves. We shall be taking God's name in vain, that is, without meaning it. Our prayers should cover the whole range and every detail of the Mission. As nothing is too great for God's power, so nothing is too little for his love. We should pray for those outside, that He may bring them in; for those inside, that He may build them up; for the preachers, that they may have power to convict, wisdom to enlighten, love to persuade; for the services and sacraments, that they may be worthily rendered and administered and faithfully received; for all workers and helpers in the Mission, that they may be kept from sin and error, and made true instruments and agents of the Kingdom.

We should pray for people and for objects definitely, and by name; regularly and perseveringly; in groups, with our families, by ourselves; at set times and at odd times; in season, out of season. From now on, to and through the Mission, and while the fruits are being reaped, we should strive, with concentrated and unflagging purpose to lead a life of prayer.

In so far as each one of us comes to the Mission, works in it, lives through it, and gives thanks for it when it is done, in prayer to God for Christ's sake, just in so far shall we do the work to which God sends us, for the greater glory of His name."

I ask, my dear friends, the hearty co-operation of every member of Christ Church in this Mission. Please do not let any thing interfere with your attendance at the services during the first week in Advent. Will not every one work for it,—interest others in it, and bring others to it, and above all pray for it? May God bless our efforts in this work!

Affectionately your friend and Rector,

Charles Henry Arndt.

A PRAYER

For the "Preaching Mission"
For the Blessing of the Work:—

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, Who seekest those that are gone astray, bindest up those that are broken, and healest those that are sick; Bless, we beseech Thee, the effort to be made in this Diocese to convert souls unto Thee; open the deaf ears of the wanderers, that they may hear the words which belong unto their salvation; confirm the weak, give more grace to the faithful; and grant that those whom Thou dost raise to newness of life, may persevere unto the end: of Thy mercy, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

For the Preachers and Other Workers
in the Missions:

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, we commend to Thy fatherly care all whom Thou shalt call to take part in the work of the Preaching Mission in this Diocese. Watch over them, we beseech Thee, for good; defend them from all dangers both of body and soul; grant unto them the spirit of power, of love and of a sound mind, that by their labors Thy name may be glorified and Thy kingdom enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Parish:

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, Who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of us Thy servants, and grant unto this parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare: (special needs). Strengthen and increase the faithful; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked: rouse the careless: recover the fallen: restore the penitent: remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth: bring us all to be of one heart within the fold of Thy Holy Church. to the honor and glory of Thy name. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Outside the walls of the city of Paris there is a grave which bears the strange inscription: "Born a man: Died a grocer."

This epitaph tells the story of many a man's life today. Immersed in business, or forced by the fierce struggle for daily bread to labor under conditions which allow him but little time for the cultivation of his spiritual life, all the finer qualities of his manhood undergo a slow but certain decay.

Prayer is not the conquering of God's reluctance, but the taking hold of God's willingness.—Phillips Brooks.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third

Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d

and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third

Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's

Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-

day, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for December
December 5th—Second Sunday in Advent.

Dec. 12th—Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 19th—Fourth Sunday in Advent
Dec. 21st—S. Thomas, Apostle
Dec. 25th—Christmas
Dec. 26th—S. Stephen, Martyr.
Dec. 27th—S. John, Evangelist
Dec. 28th—Holy Innocents

Christ Church Calendars for the year 1916 are now ready and may be had from Miss Margaret Falkner, 48 W. Tulpehocken St., or from the Verger. The price is thirty cents apiece.

All who wish to purchase these Calendars are advised to do so at once, as the supply is limited.

The Woman's Auxiliary

Dean Burleson's definition of the Woman's Auxiliary. "It is not a select body of a few women in each parish whose time and tastes lead them to join together to do some missionary work. It is a leaven which leaveneth the whole, an influence reaching to the woman who sits in the pew behind you and the pew in front. It is a body resting not until all are interested and brought into that organization to which they really belong by virtue of their baptism—the great Missionary Society of the Church."

The Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church met on Thursday, November 4th. 18 women came to the Parish House to hear Miss Fisher, the Diocesan Secretary tell of the Church Periodical Club. No other Church has such an organization. Books and magazines are distributed all over the world. Grateful letters are received from Japan and China from the mountains of the South and from far away Alaska telling of the enjoyment received from the literature distributed through the Church Periodical Club. Traveling libraries consisting of six volumes in a case are sent to the most remote places where they are most eagerly read, then sent on to another station. These cases travel on and on for years; the books being re-

placed by the New York office, as they wear out. Many of them are memorials given by friends and relatives of dear departed ones.

The next meeting on December 2 will be addressed by Mrs. North, Diocesan Treasurer of the United Offering. It is to be hoped that every woman in Christ Church will make an earnest effort to come to this meeting. It is most disappointing and humiliating to the officers of the Auxiliary to invite these ladies to come to our meetings and have only a few people to come to hear them.

Pray for the Preaching Mission!

God Bless Our Preaching Mission!

The Junior Brotherhood will omit their second meeting of November as it falls on Wednesday, November 24th which is the night set for the big Sunday school entertainment. Read all about that in another column. The next Junior Brotherhood meeting, then will be held the 2nd Wednesday night in December when reports of the personal visiting done upon the absent male scholars in the Sunday School will be received. The Juniors are planning to take an active part in the preparation for the coming Preaching Mission.

The students at the Divinity School in West Philadelphia have organized a society, membership in which is open to all candidates for Holy Orders, all postulants and all young men who are seriously considering the ministry as their work in life. Informal receptions will be held the first Wednesday evening of every month at School. All of the older boys in this parish, who may be planning to enter the ministry, are cordially invited. Further information as to these receptions and the purpose of them will be gladly given upon request to Mr. Gurley.

Confirmation

The Rector expects to begin a course of lectures on Confirmation immediately after the holidays. Persons contemplating confirmation are requested to give their names to him as soon as possible. He will be pleased to talk over the subject with any who desire to do so. He may be seen in the Church after any service or by appointment.

After the Chimes has gone to press the reception tendered by the Parish to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt will have been held. This occasion is sure to be a very pleasant one to all concerned, and it is hoped that it may be continued every year.

Triumph for the Emergency Fund

When the Board of Missions gathered for its fall meeting last November 2nd, Mr. King, the treasurer, was able to announce that the Emergency Fund was \$128,000. That very morning had brought a letter from one who had given \$50,000 to the reserve fund, asking that that gift be credited to the Emergency Fund also. And when the Board assembled for noon-day prayers the Gloria in Excelsis was sung with hearts full of thankfulness that God had moved His people to respond to this appeal in "full measure, pressed down, and running over."

The story of the Emergency Fund can never be adequately written in ink. A story of loving, enthusiastic devotion in averting a grave crisis; a story of loyal co-operation such as the Board had never experienced before; a story of happy denial and sacrifice of which the world can never know; above all, a story of earnest prayer which has been one of the foremost features of the campaign and has done so much towards its success. And who can tell how far and how long will go the story of the inspirational and educational value of the appeal to the ever quickening of the missionary fervor of our people?

Here is a ringing message which has come from the West: "My total income for the year received via hard labor is \$170. Thus one day's income

would amount to the munificent sum of 47¼ cents. I am ashamed almost to offer such a small amount in the face of a crisis as the Church must now meet. A time which, to me, appears as a great challenge to her very existence! So I will multiply my meagre offering ten-fold and trust that in God's Providence this still small sum may serve as an inspiration to those who have given nothing. Of course, times are hard and no one knows it better than the poor. But there is something else to live for besides mammon. If the people of England can, in the face of their calamity, give more than ever before, surely we Americans cannot with any pride plead the excuse of financial stringency."

The Emergency Committee will shortly issue to those who have shared in this great enterprise a statement of the results of the campaign. The Board, at its meeting, passed a resolution requesting the Bishops to ask the clergy to offer prayers of thanksgiving for the success of the Fund on Thanksgiving Day.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary opened some weeks ago with 25 members—some new and some old—and we welcome all. The work began by sewing for little babies. The opening day Mr. Arndt, Mr. Gurley and Mr. Beckett were our guests, the latter gave us a generous donation, also did Mrs. Lippincott, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Ritter, Mrs. Toplif Johnson and Mrs. Johnstone.

We certainly would be delighted to have all the little girls to come Friday afternoons and bring their friends to sew or learn to sew.

Notice

Would all members of the congregation and their friends kindly save and send any old rubber shoes or rubber goods of any description to the Parish House that they may be sold to increase the treasury of the Junior Auxiliary or if more convenient if they will call up Gtn. 3980-W, the rubbers will be called for.

The Accounting Warden's Report

Following is the statement of the offerings, by Sundays, during the month of October, 1915, viz:

	Missions	Church Support	Plate Collections	Total
Oct. 3	\$16.40	\$55.40	\$ 6.28	\$ 78.08
Oct. 10	21.55	71.15	22.91	115.61
Oct. 17	16.50	89.10	17.60	123.20
Oct. 24	20.30	81.30	17.71	119.31
Oct. 31	20.60	73.70	22.40	116.70
Total	\$95.35	\$370.65	\$86.90	\$552.90

It will be noted that the envelope offerings for the month have been very satisfactory, and this is brought about by the fact that the members who have been away during the summer have very generally paid up amounts that accrued during their summer absence, and very plainly brings out the need of the extension of the envelope system to the entire membership of the Parish, because the small plate collections during the summer months of four or five dollars a Sunday are not made up in like manner by those members who are absent in the summer upon their return in the Fall; and thus, those who do not contribute through the envelope do not bear their fair portion of the running expenses of the Church.

The finances of the Parish are in about the same condition that they were last year, but we will probably receive some interest about the first of January on such of the Jefferies Legacy as has been loaned on property by the Trustees. The Vestry, however, has been compelled to make extensive repairs to the Church property this Fall because of the lamentable condition of the Rectory, as well as the roof and tower of the Church, which will necessitate an expenditure of about \$700.00. These reports have been made necessary on account of inability to keep the property up for some years past owing to the financial condition of the Parish, but we are hopeful by utilizing the additional money which we will now receive from the Jefferies Fund, of gradually repairing all the property of the Parish, and this will be done just as soon as the financial returns will warrant it.

Yours very truly,

J. I. Morrison,
Accounting Warden.

Men's Club

The Men's Club opened a season of promising activity by a lecture at its October meeting by the Rev. D. Tope, the Local Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. Dr. Tope presented the story of the battle which this organization is waging against the saloon in a way that held the attention of his audience throughout his address and led every one to the conviction that the days of the saloon are numbered.

What led those present to such a thorough enjoyment of Dr. Tope's address was that it was free from any malicious invective against the enemy. Rather it was a clear cut and convincing presentation of existing facts and there's no getting away from facts. The Men's Club in business session later passed the following resolutions:

Resolved: That the thanks of this club be hereby extended to Rev. Dr. Tope for the very entertaining and instructive lecture he has given us.

At the November meeting of the Club Mr. Walter S. Cowing, Chief Executive of the Boy Scouts in Philadelphia was the speaker of the evening. This meeting will be reported in the next issue of the Chimes.

Plans for a series of speakers on subjects of universal interest have been put into effect and the club guarantees the men of the parish a mighty pleasant evening on the second Friday of each month. The membership costing \$1.00 a year is open to all the men in the Parish and if you will listen to our advice you will join in time for the big social at which the club members will be the hosts to the ladies of the parish. That may come in December or it may come in January. We're not telling which, but watch these columns for the official announcement. Meanwhile, if you haven't already done so join the Men's Club.

Prayer Books for Sale

About twenty sets of handsomely bound Prayer Books and Hymnals have recently come into possession of the Rector at less than one-half the usual cost price. These books are suitable for Christmas gifts and persons who

wish to purchase them at this low price may procure them from the Verger.

Thanksgiving Day Services

The services on Thanksgiving Day will be as follows: Holy Communion 7.30 A. M. Morning prayer and special Thanksgiving Service, with Sermon at 11.00 o'clock. The offerings on Thanksgiving Day will be, as usual, for the benefit of the Episcopal Hospital. The following is an excerpt from the Bishops' letter. We wish that we could quote the letter entire:

Dear friends and brethren:

"On New Year's Day we began turning them (the sick) away, solely for lack of money wherewith to care for them." This sentence is from the last Report of the Managers of our Hospital, published in February of this year. I wish every member of every congregation in the Diocese would get these words by heart and say them over at least once each day to himself, to his neighbors—and in his prayers. For they concern us all. We who have turned the sick away are really you. The Board has done only what you required them to do. It is your policy which has been put into effect. You should, therefore, carefully consider it and decide whether or not you wish it to continue.

Let me say three things about it:

Its Success

First. It has succeeded. We have saved money. It had to be done and we have done it. The deficit in October, 1914, was, in round numbers, \$67,000. In October, 1915, it was only \$17,000 for the nine months since January 1st. (Had the legacies this year kept on last year's level the deficit would have been not more than \$10,000 but the amount of legacies dropped from \$32,000 to \$25,000.) This means a reduction of our expenses by \$50,000 for the nine months. Our finances, therefore, are in a much sounder condition. Income and expenditure are nearly equal. "On New Year's Day we began turning them away." By so doing, we have saved \$50,000. The policy has succeeded.

Its Reproach

Secondly. Our policy, though successful, is none the less a shame and a reproach. It has dishonored the Church and the community. It has cast a shadow over the Hospital and all its work. Those women we have turned away have doubtless been cared for elsewhere, but we have forfeited their blessing. We have drawn upon us our Lord's reproach: "Inasmuch as ye did it not to these My brethren, ye did it not to Me." The work of the Hospital has been kept at the usual high standard of skill and efficiency. No expense and no effort has been spared to reach this standard and it must be retained at all costs. No matter how much the work may be reduced in quantity, the quality of it remains the same. But the empty beds are a very heavy weight to carry. The money which would have filled them with God's poor, has instead been filling our pockets. That is a shame and a reproach not easily forgiven or forgotten. "We have been turning them away."

* * * * Shall we sit still and let this thing go on? It is incredible. It must not be. Let us take up the challenge, and meet our obligations, bravely, loyally and generously:

1. By large and immediate donations, if we have been entrusted with large means.

2. By remembering our Hospital in our wills.

3. By using the opportunity given to each of us on Thanksgiving Day (to be, I hope, soon replaced by the naming of a Sunday for the same purpose when many of our people can be reached) of making an offering in love and thankfulness for the good things God has done for us, and would have us do for others.

Faithfully yours,

Philip M. Rhinelanders.

October 28, 1915.

Much needed repairs on the Rectory have been made during the past month. The exterior woodwork and parts of the interior have also been painted. It has been necessary to slate a portion of the roof of the tower of the Church and the exterior stonework about the

upper part of the tower has been firmly cemented and re-pointed. This has entailed a considerable expense.

Class in Art

During the past winter Miss Taylor conducted in the Parish House a very successful class in Art, Manual Training and Nature Study. Miss Taylor has resumed these classes this fall and will continue throughout the winter. The method followed is that of J. Liberty Tadd, Ph. D. Mr. Tadd's work is widely known and taught both here and abroad. He is author of "New Methods in Education," published in several editions in America, England, France, Belgium, Germany and Russia. This work as established in the Public Industrial Art School, under his leadership, has been part of our Public School System for many years. We quote brief excerpts from his own statement of the object of the school: "This method aims at a more general development of the individual. * * * After years of careful work and observation we have fixed on certain things as fundamental to any real system of art and manual training, viz., drawing, designing, clay modeling, wood carving and nature study. * * Rotation of work in all these branches gives a wonderful amount of physical co-ordination and manipulative dexterity. * * It also tends to disclose the natural bent, capacity and inclination. * * * Memory drawing, creative drawing and nature study are important features of the method. * * * All education rest upon nature study. * * We use wood-carving to produce energy of action and strength of character. * * Clay modeling is one of the most perfect means of thought expression, for pupils of all ages."

Information concerning the Germantown classes may be had from Miss Taylor, 131 W. Tulpehocek Street or from the Rector.

The Apostle's precept, "Pray always"—pray evermore, pray without ceasing, men ought always to pray—will not be criticized as a pleonasm, if we call to remembrance that there is no state of mind, no condition of life, in which prayer is not a necessity as

well as an obligation. In danger, fear impels to it; in trouble, we have no other resource; in sickness, we have no other refuge; in dejection, no other hope; in death, no other comfort.—More.

Young People's Meeting

The Young People's Meetings started again last Sunday and will be held every Sunday evening during the fall and winter at seven o'clock sharp. This is a brisk, cheerful and brief service of prayer and song. It adjourns in time for the Church evening service. Short talks will be given on the subject of preparation for and activity in the layman's work in the Parish—more particularly in our Sunday School. It is hoped that old and young will interest themselves in these meetings. The term "Young People" simply means that age in this work is judged entirely by the feeling and interest shown by those participating in these services.

The committee in charge of the recent masquerade party report a clear profit of \$22.65, and those who came to the party have variously expressed themselves as having had a fine time. But there is lots to look forward to in the coming months as far as parties go. The space here would not permit a story of all the good times planned, but suffice it to say that the recent masquerade was just a beginning that's all, merely a beginning!

The Sunday School is going to have a party on the night of Wednesday, November 24th. A committee of seven is hard at work planning for the best time possible. The committee is the same one that got together the Masquerade Party. That was quite an affair but that is not a circumstance to what this party is going to be. There are going to be races and games and all the fun that can be crowded in two hours and a half. And then last but not least, the refreshments. Is there anything left out? Remember the date—Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. November 24th.

We regret to announce the resignation of Mr. Horace W. Hardy, as organist and choirmaster of Christ Church. Mr. Hardy has accepted a similar position at his home church of St. Simeon's.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Robert Staton to act as choirmaster. Mr. Cyril Dennison has been engaged as organist.

The Monthly Musical Service

The fine monthly musical service given by the choir last month was a great success in every way. The large congregation appreciates the exquisite rendering of the music of Sir John Stainer. The Rector gave a short sketch of the Composer's life and spoke on the subject of Christian Harmony of life.

Owing to the fact that Preaching Mission Service on the second Sunday, the usual monthly musical service will be omitted on that evening. The next musical service will be held on the First Sunday evening in January. The selections will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

Remember the Date—First Sunday evening in January!

The Sunday School

The attendance at the Sunday School is gradually increasing each Sunday. There are more scholars on the roll at present than there have been for several years past. There is also a larger average attendance. There is still a need of faithful teachers. Those who are willing to offer their services are requested to give their names to the Rector.

At the last meeting of the Vestry Mr. U. G. Rowley was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Keith R. Rodney. Mr. Rodney and family have moved from the city and it is with great regret that we lose them. Mr. Rodney was a faithful and loyal vestryman in the Parish and will be greatly missed. Mr. Rowley who will fill out Mr. Rodney's unexpired term, has been a member of the Parish for the past five years and has been active in

the Sunday School and the men's societies of the Parish.

An Explanation

Owing to the fact that there has been much misunderstanding and criticism in regard to the starting of a Boy Scout troop in the Parish—these few words may not be out of place. It is hoped that every one will very clearly understand that there is absolutely no desire to hinder or check the work of the present Boys Brigade. Christ Church Parish is large enough for both if both are good for the boys. If not—time and results will show which organization better answers the boy question here. There are as there has always been a number of boys here who have no desire whatever to join the Boys Brigade. Whether the Scout organization will interest them or not remains to be seen. At least this Parish will not stop until everything has been done to encourage the interest and arouse the loyalty of every boy who claims membership in it. This is the reason for planning the Boy Scout organization here. Unprejudiced judgment cannot fail to recognize the practical value of this organization. Full particulars as to the purpose of it will be given upon application to Mr. Gurley. Next Friday night at eight o'clock in the Parish House will be held the second meeting of the Scouts. All boys interested are welcome to come then and learn more about the work. The Scouts meet in the room on the second floor of the Parish House.

R. H. G.

There is one thing that Christians, so far as they are truly Christians, cannot do. They cannot fail. They may appear to fail. In the world's view they may really fail. Usually it is necessary that they should meet with what the world calls failure in order that they may truly succeed. Our Lord so failed. He was left with only a few disciples and at the last even they held at a distance. But He had foreseen all this, including His death, and had foretold His triumph as the consequence. "I, if I be lifted up from

the earth, will draw all men unto me." We must be ready in our societies and in our own lives to fail in order to succeed. If we are ready to fail it is impossible not to succeed. — Sunday School Times.

God Bless Our Preaching Mission!

Partnership with God

One of the greatest principles in the progress of humankind has ever been the principle of co-operation. Man's advance in civilization has always been accompanied by a corresponding advance in his power of combination. We are familiar with the development of this principle in national and social life. We know the marvelous results it has accomplished in the business life of the present-day world, and we can account for the success of most great achievements in the world's history, when we trace out into all its details the perfection of co-operation, of combination, or partnership between man and man, which alone made the result possible and the struggle successful.

But it is not of the partnership of man with man we wish now to write, powerful and victorious as its achievements are, but of a partnership to which much less thought is given; a partnership, nevertheless, infinitely more powerful, the partnership of man with God.

The greatest business in all this world, dwarfing in comparison every other interest ever conceived, is the salvation of the souls of the men about us. We cannot accomplish this, no matter how much we combine together; and God cannot accomplish this, Himself, unaided, because he has ordained that we are "co-workers together

with God." And here comes in the necessity for the greatest partnership in all human history, the partnership of man with God.

How then does this holiest of all partnerships work? How is the human and the divine co-operation to be brought into play? How does God want us to help him to save the world? The answer is simple. By bringing the men about us nearer to Christ. By making it easier for them to be Christians. By making it possible for them to be Christians. By making it possible for them, as Saint Andrew did those Greeks so long ago, "to see Jesus." By saying to our brother with the same enthusiasm that Saint Andrew said to his by the Galilean Lake, "Come and see." By bringing, it may be, some boy to the Master, as Saint Andrew brought to the Saviour, the boy with the loaves and fishes.

Yes! God's way of saving men is by means of other men. There are men about you, who if God is going to save, He is going to save by your co-operation. "When God would save a man," as Jeremy Taylor says: "He does it by means of a man." God will always do His part. The only possibility of failure is in your end of the partnership.

Jesus calls us, each one, to be a "worker together with Him," a sharer in this great partnership. Have you realized all that this means? Are you co-operating with God to the fullest extent of your power, and are you striving hard that this sacred partnership, of which you are an absolute and necessary part, may have continual and visible results in the salvation of the souls of those about you, who by your partnership with God should be continually brought "nearer to Christ through His Church?"

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Emmanuel

There is but one thought for the joyous heart at Christmas-tide, viz: Emmanuel—God with us. That is the most momentous event in the vast timeless stretch of man's life on earth; that is the most profound truth in all the long annals of history; that is the hope of Eternity demonstrated in time; that is the character of God manifested in man. Emmanuel—God with us.

When that far, far off primitive ancestor of ours looked up from his animal life and felt within him the dim, mysterious stirrings which eventually impelled him to take the first halting step upward in the long ascent of heaven, religion had its birth. At that moment God's hand began the shaping out of rude and crude material of that character which today amidst the brilliant light of our Western civilization prompts to the highest, divinest deeds inspired by the Supreme Model of Character, as revealed in Jesus, the Christ. Then began that divine discontent which ever kept the human possessor striving after something which oftentimes he could not half define.

Here a little and there a little, line upon line, and precept upon precept, with many a stumble, many a blunder, and many a grave mistake, those dim promptings were wrought into ideas, hazy and indistinct, it is true, yet clear enough to be held, and man began to realize the true purpose of life. In the history of all development we find a thoroughly natural order of growth—first the blade, then the ear, and then the full corn in the ear. In many fragments and many ways, by different men, in different nations, at different times, the threads of the tissue of truth were spun—fitfully, yet always beautifully—but it was Jesus only who could gather these various threads together and weave them into a texture with a definite, permanent pattern that would always appeal to men.

That God should at least enter His lot was the thing, the one thing that for ages human hearts had prayed and hoped for; and yet when He came the guise our Emmanuel wore was so unlike that in which all anticipation had clothed Him that men failed to recognize their King. Born to a blood-

stained race, born in a time and land of sinful kings, of wild mob's folly, of cruel slavery, of cruel laws, of crueller men—with here and there a fearless prophet; here and there an Anna or a Simeon, and in it all, Emmanuel had His part. A Rahab, a Ruth, a David, had some real share in Him. And up this frail, strained, broken stairway—the “world's strange altar stairs, that slope through darkness up to God,” came the Holy, the Just and the True, the strong Son of God who is immortal love.

Martineau, in one of his essays has said, “Dear, aye, dear to us are all His words; dear, aye, dear to us are His miracles, but dearer than all is surely His cradle; for this is its lesson—that human life, though it begin in a manger and end on a cross, is full of God. Life's pathway may be crossed with dark bands of shadow, life's pillow pierced with cruel, bitter thorns, but in every thorn and shadow, just as truly as in every rose and sunbeam, the love and pity of God are at work for all of us. Tell me, O Christian men and women, is it not this that bends our hearts in a perpetual love for our Emmanuel?”

Let us hold fast by this truth, and all life has newer and fuller meaning. The awful power of sin, in its thousand forms of wretchedness, selfishness and vice, will fill our hearts with determination to work “while it is yet day,” but cannot overpower those hearts with hopelessness or despair. For God is with us, not to save us from our human condition, but to fill that condition with a hope and a promise it never knew before. God is with us. Let us face this new year with firmer faith! These dark days of world-wide suffering, sorrow, require great faith in God. “God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform.” But surely “the Lord of Hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.” Let our prayers go up to Heaven this Christmas-tide, that God may send His sweet peace into the hearts of the suffering, into the hearts of the rulers and the people of all nations that they may be won by His great love and that the

dawn of this new year will bring with it the angels' message: “Emmanuel; God with us,” “Peace on earth among men in which He is well pleased.”

Are we becoming more sensible, more Christian, in our Christmas preparations?

It is difficult to say. Sometime an energetic campaign must be waged against extravagance and the incurring of debt in the name of Christmas. Love is not expensive; friendship cannot be measured in dollars. Why, then, should it be deemed necessary for the Christmas expression of these qualities to be given in articles that bear no suggestion of the day and the purchase of which is an extravagant waste, which the giver cannot afford and the recipient deems a burden to be reciprocated by a gift of similar value? What hypocrisies are many of our Christmas gifts?

Will not Christian people begin to Christianize their gifts? That means first that they shall be true expressions of friendship, and second that they shall involve no burden of debt on the part of the giver nor sense of obligation on that of the recipient. The simple, delicate Christmas card, selected for the suitable expression engraved upon it, is a truer portrayal of the Christmas spirit than, under ordinary circumstances, any gift of great intrinsic value could be. And a sheet of paper, with one's own individual Christmas wishes written to a friend upon it, may be still more fitting.

Let us make war upon incurring debt, upon placing reciprocal burdens, and upon inviting jealousy and covetousness, in the Name of Him who is Himself the true Christmas Gift.

BE ON TIME

A good way to begin the New Year is to begin to be on time, some people are always late;—late to meetings and keep other people waiting; late to Church—and disturb the congregation in the worship; these same people will be late at the mid-night service on New Years' Eve! Always behind time! Always late! A good New Years' Resolution—Be on Time!

Christmas Communion

From the earliest ages of the Christian Church the great service on Christmas Day has always been the Holy Communion on the Holy Eucharist—which means the “Feast of Thanksgiving.” Christmas is the Day of joy and of thanksgiving for that Great Gift of God, His Son Jesus Christ. And it is most fitting that we express our joy and our thanksgiving to Him on that Day by kneeling before Him and worshipping Him and receiving Him into our hearts and lives. For the Lord's Supper is not merely a memorial of His Death. It is also a feast of praise and thanksgiving of His Resurrection and His Life. It is the reception of the Christ with our souls and bodies—that we may be “one body with Him, that He may dwell in us and we in Him.”

On Christmas Day, when the world celebrates the Birth of our Lord—shall not His followers now—as did the wise men of old—seek the Christ Child and opening up the treasures of our hearts, fall down and worship Him.

The shepherds found the holy Child lying in a manger. We shall miss the true meaning of Christmas if in the heart of all the day's gladness and festivity we do not find Christ.

“Thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man, of the substance of the Virgin Mary, his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin.” So the Church sums it up, in scientific and devotional phrasing, as we come to the climax of our worship on Christmas Day.

These are tremendous and mysterious statements! Yes, but this, and only this, is Christianity.

This is what the philosophers of Greece and India vaguely dreamed of in their highest musings. This is the celestial harmony, fragments of which are the finest strains of old world epic and tragedy and ode. And this is what has made the simple goodness and the simple gladness of myriads of humble lives in all succeeding ages.

The Epiphany

The Festival of the Epiphany must be deemed of very high importance by a believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life, it asserts one of the most fundamental and vital features of Christianity; the great distinction, in fact, between Christianity and Judaism. The Jewish religion was the religion of a race. * * * Was a merely national religion like this a full unveiling of the mind of the common Father of the human family? Was His eye ever to rest in love and favor only on the hills and valleys of Palestine? Was there to be no place in His heart for more races, who lay east and west and north and south of the favored region? Or was the God of Israel like the patron dieties of the heathen world, the God of Israel in such sense that Israel could lastingly monopolize His interest, His protection, His love; that heathendom, lying in darkness and in the shadow of death, would lie in it for ever, without a hope of being really lightened by His countenance or being admitted to share His embrace? It could not be. The Jewish revelation of God contained within itself the secret and the reason of its vanishing by absorption in to the brighter light which should succeed it.—H. P. Liddon.

Church Literature

There will be found on the shelves in the vestibules of the Church a varied assortment of literature of interest to persons who are seeking information on the teachings of the Episcopal Church, its work in the Missionary field, etc. The selection includes articles on “Missions in China,” “Missions among the Indians,” “Why I am a Churchman, lapsed and lapsing Communicants,” “Confirmation—Why I should be confirmed,” “This Do In Remembrance of Me,” etc.

Members of the Congregation are invited to take copies of these leaflets.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies
Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title 11: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

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Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion—Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

The Sunday School Christmas Party

Once more approaches that wonderful season of good will and cheerfulness—that season in which all the children of mischief become as miniature angels—that season when old enmities are laid aside and new enemies made by inappropriate remembrances—that season when all the old, long-since forgotten gifts received last year are dragged out and apportioned to those on our list who "will never know the difference"—that season when father tries to make every dollar do the work of ten and mother and daughter and son yearn for a more elastic currency—that season when our children sit up nights thinking up things they don't need, hitherto never have wanted nice, modest, little things like a new steam yacht or a motor cycle—but which they want now because it is the season of wanting—the season when we begin to speculate on the intelligence and intention of our friends in the way of supplying our dearest expectations and finally the season when we smile and appear eternally grateful for that which in a few days we will have exchanged for something really useful—though with fervent earnestness we have breathed to the donor that greatest and best of all that man ever told—just what I wanted, and yet in all the year and since the day of the first Christmas has there ever been—will there ever be a season like unto this season—will any other times ever put into our hearts and minds such a spirit of gladness, such a spirit of fellowship and good will toward man? For this is the spirit of Christmas and Christmas is for all—not the outward material expression of it, perhaps, but the inward spirit of joy and gladness.

We pause right here to mention to all the good people of Christ Church that we are expecting a visit from Santa Claus—without whom Christmas would be incomplete. He expects to drop off here for a short visit, some time on Wednesday, December 29th. Strange to say that is the same day on which the Sunday School is to give their Xmas party—the primary in the afternoon and the Intermediate and

Senior departments at night. Santa Claus is coming, alrighty, don't forget that, and be sure you are here to see him. Did you say somebody told you there wasn't any Santa Claus? Listen to us. The next person tells you that you put them down for one of those smart Alecks that wish they were kids again so they could hang up their stocking, you tell them to come around here and see Santa Claus for themselves.

We are going to have a fine time that night. All kinds of games for the youngsters and all kinds of surprises for the seniors and plenty of good things to eat and plenty of good eaters to eat them and—well, what's the use of telling all to you now? Come and see. Children, little and big, old and young keep that day in mind and be here at the Parish House in plenty of time to enjoy it all.

Wednesday afternoon for the Primary Departments and Wednesday night for the others—December the 29th. We have a place reserved for you.

The Altar Guild

The Altar Guild held its last meeting at the residence of Mrs. Henry R. Baremore and arranged committees to serve during the coming winter. The Guild regrets the resignation of Miss Helen Donlevy and Miss Margaret Hayhurst, both faithful members. The Guild is pleased to welcome the Misses Manser to membership. Mrs. William H. Avery, who is passing the winter at Melrose, Pa., still continues her active membership and has charge of the Memorial Flower list.

It is gratifying to acknowledge contributions to the Guild which some have placed in the box at the West entrance to the Church.

We wish that more people in the congregation would contribute to this purpose and put their offerings in the box marked, "For the Altar Guild." Person who wish to select a Sunday to place flowers on the altar in memory of a dear one in Paradise, are invited to apply to the President of the Guild. Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, Cliveden Avenue and Jefferson Street.

H. R. B.

Kalendar

Jan. 1st—Feast of the Circumcision.
 Jan. 2nd—Second Sunday after Christmas.
 Jan. 6th—Epiphany.
 Jan. 9th—First Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 16th—Second Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 23rd—Third Sunday after Epiphany.
 Jan. 25th—Conversion St. Paul.
 Jan. 30th—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

The Preaching Mission

The One Week's Preaching Mission which was held in Christ Church during the first week in Advent under the auspices of the five parishes in this vicinity, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, Epiphany, St. Barnabas and Christ Church was a great spiritual feast to all who were privileged to take part in it. The Holy Communion was celebrated every morning in Christ Church and was well attended. The afternoon Conferences delivered by the Missioner, the Rev. Ralph P. Pomeroy on the History of the American Church were very interesting and instructive and the large assembly room in our Parish was taxed to its fullest capacity at each Conference.

The course of sermons preached in Christ Church each evening of the week was highly appreciated by large congregations, representatives of the five parishes. The sermon dealt with the fundamentals of the Christian faith and the subjects were most ably and eloquently presented. At three o'clock on Sunday afternoon Christ Church was filled to overflowing with the members of the five Sunday Schools, who marched into the church in a body, with their banners and headed by a choir of sixty voices—men and boys from the five Parish choirs. The address at the Sunday School service was made by the Rev. Mr. Pomeroy, who also gave the second of a series of addresses to men at a largely attended service at four thirty.

At the eleven o'clock morning service the people of Christ Church had

the privilege of listening to an inspiring sermon on Missions by the Rt. Rev. Arthur L. Lloyd, President of the Board of Missions and in the evening the Rev. A. A. Gilman, missionary to China, gave us a graphic account of his work in that great missionary field.

Thus ended a wonderful week—a week of great privilege. We are most grateful to the Rev. Mr. Pomeroy for all he has done for the people who attended this mission. He spoke God's message plainly, fearlessly, lovingly. God grant that the seed sown by him may spring up in the lives of many to the glory of God and the extension of His Kingdom!

Services on Christmas Day

The services on Christmas Day will be Holy Communion, 6.30 A. M. and 7.30 A. M., Holy Communion and Sermon 11.00 A. M.

The offering at all services on Christmas Day will be for the Aged and Infirm clergy.

On the following Monday (St. John the Evangelist) and on Tuesday (Holy Innocents) there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.

Sunday School Christmas Service

The Christmas service for the Sunday School will be held on Sunday after Christmas at three thirty in the afternoon. At this service the Christmas Carols will be sung and addresses will be made by special speakers to be announced later.

Parents and friends of the members of the School are cordially invited to be present at this service.

The Sunday School service in the afternoon, on the Sunday after Christmas will take the place of the usual Sunday night service.

The usual evening service will therefore be omitted on the First Sunday evening after Christmas.

Midnight Service on New Year's Eve.

A midnight service will be held in the Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at eleven o'clock. The Church will be open all evening for private prayer and devotion.

Contribution for Christmas Green

The expense of trimming the Church with laurel for the Christmas Season is met by contributions from members of the congregation. Persons who wish to contribute to this purpose are invited to give their contributions to Mr. Richard H. Morris.

A few sets of Prayer Books and Hymnals, suitable for Christmas gifts may be had from the Verger. These Prayer Books and Hymnals are of superior quality and are less than half the regular price. Suitable for gifts.

Christ Church Kalendars for 1916 are now ready. These Kalendars give the lessons for each Sunday and the Holy Days of the Church Year, marked in appropriate colors. They may be purchased from Miss Margaret Falkner, 48 West Tulpehocken Street or may be had from the Verger. The price is thirty cents.

Epiphany

Thursday, January the sixth is the Feast of the Epiphany. There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion on that day, with short address at 9.30 A. M.

Confirmation

Confirmation Classes are now being formed and persons desirous of being confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector. He will be pleased to confer with any person on the subject, after any service or by appointment.

The dates of lectures on Confirmation will be announced from the Chancel.

On November 19th, the members of the Parish tendered a reception to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt in the Parish House. The room was beautifully decorated with palms and other plants and there was a large attendance on the part of the parishioners. Refreshments were served in the gymnasium. The occasion was thoroughly enjoyed by all and a cordial appreciation was expressed for the delightful evening given by the Committee in charge.

Clothing Needed

In another article mention has been made of the need of second-hand clothing. In connection with this I should like to say that anything which is sent is well disposed of. A selection of men's clothing is put in the hands of the Rector, and is given to cases, many of which could not be known except by him. In case of need, clothing is given away, otherwise a nominal sum is charged and the proceeds go to charitable objects and to missions.

We can make good use of any kind of clothing you can send us, particularly men's; also bric-a-brac and fancy articles. Please remember us at cleaning up times, and for our sakes may cleaning up times come often.

H. M. F. A.

Envelope Subscribers

The number of persons who subscribe through the envelopes is now 250. This is the largest number of subscribers but there should be at least twice that many.

It is gratifying to report that many parents are inculcating in their children the habit of systematic giving by the use of the envelopes. This custom should be extended until every member of every family in the Parish is included on the list of weekly subscribers; both to the support of the Parish and to Missions. Then will all feel that are sharing in giving what they can to further on the Kingdom of Christ.

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule of the church.

There are people who will not trust the Lord until they lose everything else.

When you bid your sin goodbye don't shake hands with it.

The best remedy for self conceit is to be well introduced to yourself.

There are too many people in church who can't be religious in cloudy weather.

Christmas Music

On Christmas Day the Choir will render the following program: Te Deum in F by Herman Kotzschman;

Jubilate Deo in E flat by B. Cecil Klein; Communion Service in E flat by Alfred J. Eyre. The anthem will be "Sing O Heavens" by Berthold Tours, ending in the grand finale with the inspiring strains of "O Come All Ye Faithful."

On the Sunday following, the music will be repeated in the morning Prayers the anthem will be "There were Shepherds abiding" by Myles B. Foster.

The Hymns will be: Introit, Hymn 49 Adeste Fideles—Reading office—Hymn 58, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Redner; Retrocessional—Hymn 51 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn.

Accounting Warden's Report

My dear Mr. Arndt:—

By your request I send a statement of offerings by Sundays during the month of November, 1915, viz:

Nov. 7th:—

Missions	\$18.40
Church Support	71.45
Plate Collections	3.12

Total \$92.97

Nov. 14th:—

Missions	\$22.90
Church Support	98.00
Plate Collections	12.59

Total \$133.49

Nov. 21st:—

Missions	\$15.30
Church Support	\$79.05
Plate Collections	\$22.15

Total \$116.50

Nov. 28th:—

Missions	\$11.50
Church Support	54.10
Plate Collections	26.64

Total \$92.24

As a matter of information I would also add that the total contributions made by the Parish for the Episcopal Hospital, being the offering Thanksgiving Day, and certain sums received from individual members later, were \$102.60 compared with \$74.62 last year.

Yours very truly,

J. I. Morrison,

Accounting Warden.

The Woman's Auxiliary

A special subject has been assigned to each meeting, and in accordance with this plan the December meeting was given to the United Offering. Mrs. Ralph North, the Diocesan Treasurer gave us a very interesting and enlightening address on this subject.

Next month (January) the topic will be Colored Missions, the programme to be in charge of the Committee which consists of Mrs. Samuel Gerhard, Mrs. Frank Wells and Mrs. Alfred Sands.

There will be a speaker who will be specially qualified to talk on that subject by reason of his actual experience in that field.

The attendance seems to indicate a growing interest in the Woman's Auxiliary, there having been eighteen persons present at the last meeting in spite of the very bad weather.

The next meeting will be held on January sixth. Come and bring some one with you.

A. M. M.

Senior Brotherhood

The Senior Chapter Brotherhood of St. Andrew reports a very successful month of activity. At the early service on the 1st Tuesday in Advent eight new members were received into the fellowship of the Chapter. At a previous meeting the officers for the previous year were unanimously reelected for another year and a spirit of interest in the laymen's part of the parish work was evidenced that is distinctly encouraging.

The members of the Brotherhood have had charge of the ushering at the evening service since September last and will continue in this work through the year. Members of the Parish are requested to facilitate their work by giving them the names and addresses of strangers who may come in the members' pews. It is much easier to become acquainted with a stranger and make him feel at home if you sit beside him all during the service than if you merely escort him to a seat.

During the Preaching Mission the members of the Brotherhood rendered valuable aid in many ways at the va-

rious services, especially at the Sunday afternoon Children's Service.

The Brotherhood meets again Monday night, December 20th at 8 o'clock.

Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting held its first session for the winter of 1915-1916 on Oct. 12, 1915. There were present, 12 members, also Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Rowley, and Mrs. Arndt. It was a great pleasure to us all to have Mrs. Rowley with us again after her enforced absence all last winter. Much to the regret of all Mrs. Morrison announced that she would be unable to continue as Directress of the Meeting. Under Mrs. Morrison the meeting has been conducted with marked success and it is a great disappointment to all that she is unable to continue the work. Her interest has not been lost however, which we fully realize on the first Tuesday of each month when we enjoy the refreshments which she so generously provides.

We began the year with a balance in our treasury of \$7.19 and through the sale of second-hand clothing, dish towels, aprons and so forth, we now have \$37.16. Will not the women of the parish kindly bear in mind that second-hand clothes are badly needed, and that our stock of carpet rags is remaining low?

We have on sale dish towels, aprons and rag rugs. In replenishing these absolutely necessary articles will not the house-keepers notify us and let us supply their needs? Orders may be sent to the Rectory and will receive prompt attention.

We are looking forward to a pleasant and profitable winter, and to this end we are hoping to have, at different times, talks on subjects of interest. Last month Miss Falkner gave an entertaining talk on the lives of the women of Italy.

One event of interest which we are all looking forward to with much pleasure is our Annual Dinner to be given in the early part of January, when we hope to have a large attendance.

H. M. F. A.

Burials

Nov. 17—Mary Seymour Houghton

Nov. 24—Rebekah G. Marot

Dec. 7—Ambrose L. Cram

The Church Periodical Club

A few years ago the C. P. C. started as a branch of its regular work, the sending out of "Traveling Libraries" to the isolated districts of our country where public libraries and books are unknown. These libraries consist of 60 or 70 volumes in a substantial oak case, marked with a brass tablet, engraved with the name of the church or the individual sending it. The books need not of necessity be new, if in good condition. Books of good fiction, travel, history, standard works, biography and some poetry make up its shelves.

The Library is placed in one locality for 6 months or one year, under the care of the rector, or some other responsible person, who is asked to keep account of the books, and see that they are returned when borrowed. It then passes on to another locality where it rests until it has provided pleasure and profit to the extent of its 70 books.

A sample book case may be seen in the Girls' Friendly Room, in our Parish House where it is patiently waiting for its shelves to be filled and the money contributed to enable it to go "forward." Will you be good enough to stop and look at it?

This Library will probably be sent out as a memorial. What more fitting remembrance of some dear one, for it is ever bringing pleasure and is never ending in its mission.

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L. J. Johnson,

Parish Librarian.

John Wesley said in 1746—"I dare not renounce Communion with the Church of England. As a minister I teach her doctrines; I use her offices; I conform to her Rubrics; I suffer reproach for my attachment to her. As a private member, I hold her doctrines;

I join in her offices, in prayer, in hearing, in communicating." Vol. VIII, p. 444.

Boys' Brigade

A supper will be given by the Brigade of this Church, on December 23, 1915 at 6.30 o'clock. An invitation is extended to everyone to come and enjoy this occasion. Tickets may be had for twenty-five cents from any member of the company.

There will be speeches by men prominent in military lines, law and other professions.

The idea of this supper is not to make money but to bring everyone together and to make them realize the fellowship of this organization.

After the meeting of the Commanding Officers of the Pennsylvania Division U. B. B. A., it was made known that the Companies in Germantown will form what is known as the "Germantown Battalion" with Captain Clarke, now Major, in command.

Company II of Christ Church is now independent of Company 13 of the Advocate Church, which hitherto constituted Company "K" of the last Pennsylvania Infantry U. B. B. A. First Sergeant Howard N. Feist has been promoted to Lieutenant commanding Company II of this Parish.

On the 2nd Sunday of every month, the evening service will be attended by the members of the Company in a body.

H. F.

The Christ Church Athletic Association

announces that in the second or third week of January it will give a "book party" to all the young people in the Parish and all others who want to come; and as to what that party will be like,—Well—not long ago there was a Masquerade Party—enough said!

In February the present memberships of all kinds expire and the Association will give a banquet in the Parish House to which will be invited all present and all prospective members. This banquet will inaugurate a campaign for new members between two teams of five each. We expect to have a big

time every month from now on. It's really a good thing to be a member of this Athletic Association. If you haven't already joined try it and see.

Junior Brotherhood

Last Wednesday night the 8th, the Junior Brotherhood met. Eleven members were present. Reports were brought in as to the visiting of Sunday School absentees and with one exception the absent boy was shown the error of his way and has returned.

The Juniors are taking up a new plan in the conduct of their meetings. A portion of Scripture is selected and read by one member and then general discussion is invited from the rest. In this way it is hoped to help any difficulties a boy may have in reading and understanding the Bible.

The next meeting for the Juniors is Wednesday night December the 22nd. Every member is requested to keep that day in mind.

The Boy Scouts

Ten boys in the Parish have signified their intention to join the Boy Scout Troop being formed here. For the present meetings will be held the second and fourth Wednesday nights in the Parish House and the time will be devoted to a careful study of the Boy Scout Manual so that every boy may know precisely what is expected of him as a Scout and also precisely what he may expect to become as a Scout. The beauty of the work is that there is always something ahead for the ambitious boy to attain to and the whole process is an education, one of recognized value.

There will be no hasty enthusiastic beginning which having no practical foundation would quickly go to pieces. The plan is to get a dozen boys together who can realize the fact that they are to benefit the more as they try the harder to live up to the ideals of the organization. The Scout idea puts it up to the boy to work for and firmly secure a manhood worthy of all respect.

We invite the boys in the Parish to become members. They can do so upon application to the Scout Master,

to whom they must give evidence of their fitness for membership, moral and mental. The Boy Scout is aiming for mental.

The organization here is proceeding slowly but surely, for it has come to stay.

Subscribers to the Chimes

The Editors of the Chimes wish to express their appreciation of the support given by persons who have subscribed and given donations. The following list of names contains those who have subscribed. Names marked with a star have also given a contribution. Seventy five more subscriptions are needed to guarantee the publication of the Chimes throughout the year.

It is hoped that all who have not subscribed will do so at once.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
} 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

Septuagesima

Septuagesima Season—or the three weeks before Lent—commences on Septuagesima Sunday, February 20th. This season is intended to remind us of the near approach of Lent and to prepare our minds for that solemn, holy Fast.

We now turn from the Cradle at Bethlehem to the Wilderness, to Gethsemane and the Cross.

The Lessons, the Epistles, the Gospels read each Sunday foreshadows the coming of our Lord's Fastings. His sufferings, and His Death; all to be ended and triumphed over in His glorious Resurrection.

From now on every Churchman will prepare to observe the coming Holy Season of Lent in more seriousness of life, in genuine fastings, in devout readings, in meditations, in more frequent prayer.

Septuagesima—seventy days before Easter! The Holy Feast draws near! Let every one begin now to prepare to make this coming Lent the most serious, the most heart-searching, the most spiritually helpful, the most

spiritually triumphant of our lives! Septuagesima reminds us to prepare.

"When the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed and doeth that which is lawful and right he shall save his soul alive."

Seven Marks of a Good Churchman

1. To be Baptized, and to bring others to Baptism.

2. To be Confirmed and to bring others to Confirmation.

3. To be faithful Communicants, attending the Holy Communion at least once a month. Never, under any circumstances, either sick or well, should a Communicant fail to be prepared to receive the Holy Communion on Christmas, Easter, and Whitsunday. If too ill to come to Church the Rector will come to the sick room and administer the Sacrament.

4. To keep the Church Fasts and Holy Days. There should be a more strict attention among our people to this venerable and pious custom of the Church.

5. To give regularly a definite amount, proportionate to one's income, for the

support and spread of Christ's Kingdom.

6. To remember the Church in making of wills.

In cases of sickness to send for the clergy.

Not expect the clergy to learn of cases of sickness in indirect ways.

7. On recovery from sickness to offer thanks in Church, and make a thank-offering.

A Request to the Societies

Confusion of accounts have occurred from time to time owing to a practice by members of some of the Societies in the Parish. This practice should be discontinued. When a member of any Society in the Parish makes a purchase for the Society the account should not be charged to Christ Church but to the person making the purchase. The Rector receives bills for all manner of things—from ice cream to gingham—which members of the various Societies have purchased for the use of the Societies and had charged to "Christ Church." As the Rector's capacity for the former is limited and as he does not use the latter, he can honestly prove an alibi; and yet he is frequently obliged to pay for both, because he has neither the time nor the ability to go out among the six hundred Communicants of Christ Church and single out the special lovers of ice cream or the wearers of gingham.

Will not members of the various societies of the Parish please take pity on the Rector and not charge to "Christ Church" all manner of mysterious things, the bills of which come to the Rector and which he, in sheer desperation for the good name of the "Church," is called upon to pay.

Notice to Communicants

The Rector referred to the practice of some persons at the Holy Communion who habitually leave the church immediately after communicating. After this serious breach of propriety and of decorum, not to speak of reverence, was called to the attention of the congregation, the Rector is glad that most persons discontinue this practice. He is pained to see, however, that a

few, from whom he has learned to expect better things, still persist in leaving the Church before the service is ended—to the annoyance of worshippers and to the fearful example to the young.

The Rector affectionately asks that these persons will kindly discontinue this habit, both out of consideration for the interest of others and also in the interest of reverence and their own spiritual needs.

Of course it is needless to say that this admonition does not apply to persons who are physically weak or to those who for other good causes feel that they must leave the church. Each one will act conscientiously and no one will judge another.

The Rector wishes to call attention to a need of improvement in the responses which the congregation are expected to make in the services. A rubric in the morning Prayer says: "the people shall answer, at the end of every prayer, Amen." This should be done by every worshipper "at the end of every prayer." The "Amens" should be said audibly, and as though we meant it. "Amen" means "yes, verily," and every worshipper at the service should so thoroughly and enthusiastically enter into the spirit of every prayer that is said and make it so entirely and personally his own prayer that he will heartily respond, "yea, Lord, Verily, Amen." Or when the "Amen" is sung, as it is sometimes in the service, every one should join in singing the response. This is what the Prayer Book intends the worshipper to do and it should be done. And then in the versicles, which are said or sung, the congregation should all take part—not in a careless, half-hearted way, but with fervor and with whole-heartedness. Our service is called "the Liturgy." The English word Liturgy is derived from two Greek words, meaning "work of the people;" that is to say a service of the people, the entire congregation of worshippers. And unless all the worshippers respond audibly, heartily, it cannot be said to be "the worship of the people." There are parts of the service which the clergy are to take on behalf of the people;

there are parts which the choir may take; there are parts which the congregation are to take; there are other parts which the clergy and people are to take together. Each should take their part and do it well, and the "whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."

It is hoped that there will be a marked improvement in this direction. Let every one take a more personal and hearty interest. Our service will then be a veritable "liturgy," that is to say a worship of people.

In this connection the Rector would urge that the people keep their Prayer Book open before them and carefully follow every word in the service. Keep your eyes on your Prayer Book, that is what the Prayer Book is for—to be used and followed, not to be left in your pew or simply held in your hand. In the singing of the canticles join in the singing, as well as you are able. Do not stand staring at the choir, or looking around at others in the congregation, or gazing up at the rafters in the roof. Keep your eyes on your Prayer Book! That is your part of the service. Take what belongs to you. Follow every word in your Prayer Book. It makes no difference how well you may know it. None of us knows it too well and there is always something more we can learn. And as you follow each clause, each word, concentrate your thought on it.

Try to enter, as fully as possible, into the wonderful depth of the spirituality of the prayers. They are the prayers of the saints which have come down to us through the ages. They are the expressions of the deepest feelings of the human soul reaching out unto God. Try to rise to their spiritual level. As each prayer is said, be so intent in following it, and feeling it, praying it, that it will become your own prayer.

And as we then endeavor to enter, by God's grace, into the spiritual presence in our worship we shall feel, more and more, our nearness to God

and His nearness to us; our nearness to one another through our nearness to Him; our nearness to Heaven in our nearness to Him; our nearness, our oneness with God and the blessed Saints in Paradise. "Knit together in One Communion and Fellowship in the mystical Body of Jesus Christ our Lord."

Where Character is Formed

Moody says, "Character is what you are in the dark." The foundation of all good character is laid in prayerful meditation in the closet. The closet is the power house where the storage battery of character is charged. Habits of nature are formed in a persevering struggle through temptation. "Our greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." The hour of temptation is the critical hour in man's life, to test the metal he is made of. A man is either stronger or weaker after he has been tempted. If he has met and conquered the temptation he is a stronger man, and will more easily defeat the next temptation. If he has met and been defeated by his temptation, he is a weaker man and more susceptible.

Subscription to the Chimes

Since last month's publication of the list of subscribers to the Chimes, subscriptions have been received from the following persons, (names marked with a star also sent a contribution:)

*Mrs. E. F. Kamerly
Miss Rebecca Geib
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*Mr. A. W. Hood
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Subscription price is fifty cents. Mailed sixty cents. Contributions to help defray expenses of publication will also be gratefully received.

A handsome Altar Service Book for the Side Altar has recently been presented by a "friend" in the Parish in memory of (Mrs.) Victoria Violet Tyler.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies
Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

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Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A.M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for February

February 6—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.

February 13—Sixth Sunday after Epiphany.

February 20—Septuagesima

February 24—St. Matthias

February 27—Sexagesima

Germantown Convocation

On the third Sunday morning in February an offering will be taken for the Germantown Convocation. The assessment on this parish is \$325.00, which must be met annually. This includes our share of the work done in this city and diocese among the Colored people, Italians, Immigrants, Deaf Mutes, Jews and the Seamen's Mission, beside the missionary work in the Kensington District and parts of Bucks County, Pa. It is hoped that any person, who may not be present in Church, on Sunday morning, will remember this very important offering and send their contributions to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

To Cancel the Mortgage on the Parish House

The Finance Committee purpose to put into effect, a plan by which they hope eventually to provide for the payment of the entire MORTGAGE debt on the new Parish House. It is evident that some systematic plan of giving must be adopted which will not be burdensome to the giver and yet will accomplish the desired end.

Certain members have already pledged themselves and are now giving a definite sum each month beginning January, 1916, and the plan will be extended so as to reach every contributing member of Christ Church from the time the new envelopes are issued on Easter Day. In the new packages of envelopes, there will be two envelopes for the third Sunday in each month; the regular envelope for current expenses, and an additional one, distinctive in color and bearing a notation that the sum contributed in this envelope will be deposited in a separate bank account to the credit of the Mort-

gage fund. The Accounting Warden will not use the money so contributed for the current expenses of the Church, nor allow it to be diverted to any other purpose.

Envelopes will also be placed in the vestibule of the Church for the use of those who do not contribute through the Weekly Envelope System, or the Contributor may use an ordinary plain envelope with the notation "For the Mortgage Fund" written thereon.

Any money contributed in this manner will go directly to the Mortgage Fund and will thus differ from money raised by Entertainments, Fairs, Etc. where part of the receipts must, necessarily, go to the expense thereof.

This plan will commend itself to every member as a plain business proposition, and if it is generally carried out, its success is assured.

Credit is due to the members of the Altar Guild for the beautiful Christmas decorations in the Sanctuary. The Chancel and Church were festooned and trimmed by three members of the Brotherhood of S. Andrew, under the direction of Mr. Robert B. Cridland. Their work is highly appreciated.

Confirmation Classes

Instruction on Confirmation and the History of the Church will begin the first week in February and continue each week until the Bishop's Visitation on Maundy Thursday. Instruction for Adults will be held every Friday evening and for minors every Sunday afternoon. The first Instruction for Adults will be held on Friday evening, February 4th and for minors on Sunday afternoon, February 6th, at four o'clock. The classes are now being formed and persons who are contemplating Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector. He may be seen after any service or at his office hours at the Rectory or by appointment.

All persons—confirmed and unconfirmed are cordially welcome to attend the weekly Instruction. Remember the dates, beginning Friday evening, February 4th and Sunday afternoon, February 6th.

Church Periodical Club

The winter is slipping along and there are so many persons in the Parish that have not availed themselves of the privileges of the Church Periodical Club—and they are privileges. No other of the Church's Mission work brings donor and recipient into such close touch, and your interest is awakened in spite of yourself. It is doing something that gives you a practical result not only in a short time but a continuous result in passing on from time to time what has been of such absorbing interest to you; and there are others with the self same interest, but without your blessing of being able to pay for it.

The Traveling Library of which the Librarian wrote last month is still standing in the Parish House, replete with splendid books, and impatient to be on its beautiful mission; why does it not go? because the twenty dollars which it costs to complete it has not been forth coming. If you have not already given 50 cts. will you not do so at once that it may be on its way rejoicing?

Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Tel. Gtn. 3241.

A Letter from the Bishop

My Dear Brother:

There seems at this time a real and pressing need, felt and expressed in many quarters, of a clear and convincing "declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us."

The responsibility of meeting this need rests, of course, upon each one of us, and, in a particular degree, upon me as Bishop of the Diocese.

I have therefore planned to make the following series of addresses during the weeks immediately before Lent:

1. **The Incarnation**, Thursday, February 17, 4 P. M., St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia, Locust St. above Thirty-ninth St.

2. **The Church**, Thursday, Feb 21, 4 P. M., Calvary Church, Germantown Manheim Street and Pulaski Avenue.

3. **The Sacraments**, Thursday, Mar. 2, 8.15 P. M., St. Simeon's Church, Philadelphia, Lehigh Ave. and Ninth Street.

4. **The Ministry**, Monday, March 6, 11.30 A. M., St. James' Church Philadelphia, Walnut and Twenty-second Streets.

The last address will be part of our usual Pre-Lenten Clerical Conference, and the course as a whole is meant especially for the help of the clergy in their ministry of teaching.

I hope you will find it possible to be present yourself, and will extend an earnest invitation to your people.

Although the addresses will be delivered in churches in different sections of the city, they will form a connected series.

Faithfully yours,

Philip M. Rhinelander,
Bishop of Pennsylvania.

The Mothers' Meeting

On Tuesday, Jan. 11th, the Mothers held their annual Christmas dinner. There were twenty-five sat down to the table, inclusive of the children. The room had been decorated with laurel for Christmas, the decorations on the table were red, so altogether there was a real "Christmas" feeling in the air. Through the kindness of our friends a bountiful dinner had been prepared, and after full justice had been done to the good things, we welcomed Mr. John Tower who entertained us most delightfully. The first thing on the program was the game of "Simon says Thumbs Up!" which produced much fun and laughter. Mr. Tower then favored us with some recitations and musical selections. Several Mothers recited or read selections, and all agreed that we had a most enjoyable afternoon. One of the pleasantest features of the occasion was the presentation by the Mothers of two beautiful chocolate sets to the two directresses. The gifts were most highly appreciated and will be used with affectionate thoughts of the givers. Our thanks are due to the ladies of the Parish who so kindly helped to serve the dinner, thereby contributing largely to the success of the afternoon.

We have been fortunate in receiving a number of orders for towels and aprons. To date we have sold 11 doz. and 7 towels, 1/2 doz. roller towels, 2 doz. aprons, and 4 bib aprons, with several orders ahead. We feel that we have done well, but we should like to do better, so if any member of the congregation are in need of dish towels aprons, dust cloths, iron holders, etc., we should be very glad to have the opportunity of supplying their needs.

For the first time in many years, we have been called upon to mourn the loss by death of one of our members.

On January 13, Mrs. Kate Brooks passed to her eternal rest. For forty-one years she had been a faithful member of the meeting and her calm, cheerful disposition had made her beloved by all. We shall miss her helpful presence but we will always feel that it has been a privilege to have had her among us for so long.

H. M. F. A.

Men's Bible Class

The Men's Bible Class has undertaken a campaign for new members and for a new spirit of wakefulness in every way. A discussion has been held upon the best way and means to increase the number of men attending and, while we still have room for more, we have more reason to expect that the room will soon be occupied. The Leader of the class has given up all other activities in or about the Sunday School to devote his time to the class. The studies will be separate to each Sunday and, at the same time, a continuation of the study of the previous Sunday. Starting from Christ's appearance at the Temple, we plan to follow the course of His work until after His resurrection, including in this a study of the condition—religious—political—geographic—climatic and civic—of His time, also a study of the men closely associated with Him in His work and their subsequent history.

The time has passed to urge men to attend the sessions of this class. Now we merely mention the fact that they

take place every Sunday morning and any man who feels he would like to spend a pleasant and profitable forty-five minutes will be most welcome to come with us every Sunday at 10.00 A. M. sharp. It is up to you, Mr. Parishioner! As Julius Caesar might have said, "Verbum sat sapientis"—which freely translated, means that if you are wise we will see you next Sunday morning in the Parish House at 10 sharp.

Notice—Junior Auxiliary

Members of the Junior Auxiliary are asked to co-operate with the entire Sunday School in the "Cake and Candy Sales" to be given in the Parish House every Saturday afternoon at 2.30 until further notice.

Junior Auxiliary Lenten work will be resumed Friday, March 10th, 1916, at 3.30.

G. H. B.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

This Chapter meets the third Monday evening of each month in the Parish House, at 8 o'clock. Any men who are interested in the spread of Christ's Kingdom among men are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

An Ushers Committee under the direction of Mr. Thos. G. Reed, has been appointed to arrange for a systematic supervision of the ushering at the evening services; see that strangers are welcomed and interested in our Parish and in such ways as are possible build up the attendance at these services.

The Men's Bible Class which meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, will also receive the support of the Chapter. The attendance thus far has not been good and many men of the Parish are neglecting an opportunity which would avail them much. It is hoped that this object may be so brought before the men of this neighborhood that a strong class will result.

At the next meeting of the Chapter, February 21st, it is expected that the President of the Philadelphia Local

Assembly, Dr. John Wilkinson, Jr., will be with us. He is a strong speaker—a man who says things—and an invitation is extended to the men of the Parish to be present on that evening.

C. H. J.

Junior Brotherhood

The Junior Brotherhood has planned a program for its future meetings that will increase the religious interest of its members. It has been felt that the boys have not realized the true purpose of the Brotherhood nor has it had the stimulating effect upon their religious life and ideas that such a fellowship should have. It is purposed in the future to have a member of the chapter read a selection from the Bible which he shall have selected beforehand as of especial interest to him and after a short commentary by the leader, all present will be encouraged to take part either by questions or expressions of opinion. Following this will be the study and application to every day wholesome life some teaching of Christ.

The attention of the older boys of the Parish is called to this new plan. Many have problems and perplexities concerning the Bible and the simple explanations that might here be offered will prove helpful to them. A question box will be maintained as a further effort to carry out the idea of making the Bible a living Book vital and real to every boy. The next meeting of the Junior Chapter will be held Wednesday night, February 9th, at 8.00 P. M.

All boys are invited to join.

Vestment Guild

The Vestment Guild held a meeting in the Parish House on Monday, January the 10th. This was not the regular meeting day but owing to the annual dinner for the Mothers having been set for the second Tuesday and many of the Guild assisting the day was changed this month.

It was found that the choir was in need of collars and cottas, and upon vote it was decided to purchase the material and the Guild would make them.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Sheldon Potter was deputized to make the purchase.

For the information of some new members of the Guild the following is published:

Regular meeting, the second Tuesday in each month.

The members of the Guild serve in the choir room on the following Sundays:

1st Sunday—Mrs. Thacher (who has entire charge of the laundering of the choir vestments.)

2nd Sunday—Miss Chase (who has charge of the vestments.) Mrs. Topliff Johnson.

4th Sunday—Mrs. Lawrence Simcox Mrs. James A. Aull, Jr.

5th Sunday—Mrs. Gerley, Mrs. Morgridge who has charge of the clerical vestments.

L. J. J.

A Cake and Candy Sale

will be given every Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock for the purpose of raising money to erect a sliding partition in the Sunday School room. These Sales are not gotten up by one or two persons—for we want the help of all who have any interest (not only in Christ Church Sunday School and Church) but we ask the entire neighborhood to come and help us. We will try to make these little affairs sociable. The "over Sunday" cake may be purchased with assurance that it will be good, as we have promises from some very capable cake and candy makers. We will be glad to hear from anyone who cares to make us a cake (or cakes) candy, etc., also be delighted to take orders for same—dates of Sales will be January 22, January 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 4.

The proceeds of these Sales will go toward the worthy and much needed partition which will divide the Main School from the Intermediate department of our Sunday School. All members of both departments know how these interfere with each other; so let us all work hard to make these little affairs a success, above all let us all work together.

Saturday afternoon at 2.30.

Girls' Basket Ball Team

What is the matter with "The Girls' Basket Ball Team? Nothing. Why do not the young and old of Christ Church come to see the most interesting game played in the Parish House," every Thursday night. The admission is only 5c. We have won every game we have played, six in all and we defeated "The St. Simeons Team," by a score of 14 to 1. We want everybody to come.

S. B. H.

Church Kalendars for 1916 for Sale

Church Kalendars on which are designated the Seasons and Holy Days of the Church Year with their appropriate colors, lessons, psalms, etc., may be purchased from the Verger at thirty cents a piece. Every home in the Parish should be provided with these Kalendars.

Sunday School

336 present, Sunday, Jan. 9. This is the high water mark for attendance at Christ Church for many a year. The oldest inhabitant has been interviewed and says that anything better than that was before his time—And this is not all of the story. Not only the largest attendance, but a most efficient faithful and earnest body of teachers.

Of course we have some troubles which we shall overcome. The greatest difficulty is that the Intermediate Department under the able management of Mrs. Belfield, the Superintendent, has increased in numbers so fast that it has outgrown its quarters. A partition must be provided at an early date and the Intermediate Department separated from the main school. This means an expenditure of a considerable sum of money but we are assured that there will be no difficulty on this score. Everybody wishes to help along a success.

The teachers at the last meeting decided that 1916 shall be the best year in the history of Christ Church Sunday School.

G. T. M.

Athletic Association

The Athletic Association has nothing to report at this time since, while the Chimes is being made ready for publication, the Association is getting ready for its long-promised and justly-famous Book Party. The Treasurer of the Association wishes to remind the Associate members that their yearly membership expires upon February 1st, and that unless they will renew their membership for another year, the treasury of the Association is likely also to expire on February 1st. Associate memberships costs \$2.00 and are good for one year and also good for a multitude of small troubles which bother the treasurer of this organization. More words upon this subject and upon other more interesting parts of the life of this organization will appear in next month's issue of the Chimes.

Boys Brigade

The Brigade of Christ Church has in the past month been very active in military, athletic and entertainment lines.

On Thursday night, December 23, 1915, the Brigade had a supper, which turned out to be a great success. The speakers of the evening were General Gerhard, Commander of the Pennsylvania Division of the United Boys Brigade of America, Mr. Howard Kirk, a prominent young lawyer, Major Clarke and Mr. Gurley, who needs no introduction, Mr. Baines, a member of the Vestry of Christ Church and Lieutenant Else, former commander of the Company at this church, now in command of Co. "B" Signal Battalion of Second Presbyterian Church, Germantown and Mr. Sutcliffe. The toastmaster on this occasion was our esteemed rector, Rev. Charles Henry Arndt.

The increasing number of the Company as well as the advancement of Sergeant Simpson to First Sergeant, Corporal Whitby to Second Sergeant, has made the necessity of two Corporals. Privates Wells and Belfield were successful enough to pass the examination for this rank.

A medal was offered to the winner of the competitive drill held on the first Friday of each month, and the one winning it the greatest number of times between January and June, shall keep it. The drill on January 7, 1916 was won by Private Manser.

On Tuesday, February 22, 1916, Washington's Birthday, a sham battle will take place in the vicinity of Ardsley, in which this company will participate, and on the following Saturday night, a competitive drill will be held at the church of the Advocate, Queen and Wayne Sts., between the several Companies of Germantown, for the Frischer Cup and Individual Cup. An invitation is extended to everyone to attend this drill especially the parents of the members of the Company.

Since the Brigades of Germantown have formed a Battalion the Companies have been reassigned, and Christ Church Company will be known hereafter as Company "C" Signal Battalion United Boys Brigade of America.

A team from St. John's Church, Philadelphia played and defeated the Brigade basket ball team on Wednesday, January 19, by the score of 38 to 16. On Wednesday night, February 2, a game between Co. "B" of Second Presbyterian Church and our Brigade will be played on our floor.

Boys who wish to join the Brigade are invited to apply Friday night at the Parish House.

H. N. F.

Boy Scouts

The new Scout organization has planned a series of trips for Saturdays commencing February 12th. The trips will be taken to places of interest about the city where, under competent guiding, everything about the place will be seen. The schedule, as at present mapped out, will be as follows:

Feb. 12—The Navy Yard.
Feb. 19th—Cramp's Ship Yard.
Feb. 26—Victor Talking Machine Co.
March 4—Ford Auto Co.
March 11—National Biscuit Co.

March 18—Eastern Penitentiary.
March 25—Moyamensing Prison
April 1—Baldwin Locomotive Works.
April 8—Wanamaker and Curtis Pub. Co.
April 15—Eddystone Works.
April 22—Phila. General Hospital.
April 29—Campbell Soup Co.

The general idea of the trips will be to give the boys an idea of what is going on in their city—to acquaint them with the extent of manufacturing enterprises here—in short to develop a broad education along those lines which will make them active and helpful citizens. Further information will be given at the next meeting of the Scouts February 9th, in the Parish House.

Girls Friendly

The Girls Friendly has had a busy winter so far. We sent six beautiful scrim stockings to the little children at Blockley. Of course the stockings were filled to overflowing. Some of the gifts had to be tied on the outside.

We also sent a box of toys, games and books to Mr. Thurber for his boys school at Covington, Va.

Such a nice letter we received from Mr. Thurber thanking us. In it he said that our box would help him so much to make a real Christmas for some of the boys who had never known before what Christmas was.

For the next four or five weeks we shall have a gymnasium class. We have a teacher and we hope to have a successful class. We shall not play basket ball, but use some simple gymnasium apparatus.

We gave two very successful dinners to our members, one in October and one in November. The committees having charge of these dinners deserve much credit.

The Girls Friendly meets every Tuesday night in the Parish House at 8.00 P. M. We would very much like to have all the girls in the church to join.

M. P. M.

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

The Women's Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 6th in the Parish House at 10.30.

The increased attendance was most encouraging and those who were there were well repaid for coming, by being permitted to hear the splendid talk on the Tuberculosis work in the South. Mr. Robinson, a colored man from North Carolina, made a most wonderful appeal for this work in the State of North Carolina, where the ravages of this dread disease were making most frightful inroads into the ranks of the colored people, and by virtue of their contact with the white people, living in service in their homes. The germs were being spread alarmingly, yet with all this the Government of North Carolina absolutely refused to appropriate one dollar toward the wiping out of this disease; so that the only work of the kind that was active in the State of North Carolina was being done by the colored people themselves.

Next month the speaker will be on some diocesan mission and it is hoped there will be a large number present at the meeting on February 3rd.

Reserve the date Thursday morning, February 3rd at ten o'clock.

All women in the Parish are invited.
L. J. J.

Y. W. C. A.—Notice

Fifty years ago, on March 3rd, 1866, the first Young Women's Christian Association in the United States was organized in Boston. The coming month of February will be observed as a nation-wide members' jubilee by all the 979 Association, comprising a membership of over 340,000 in the country to-day. The Germantown Association will hold on March 5th its special birthday service of thanksgiving and re-consecration. There will also be a vesper service every Sunday afternoon in February, at 4.30, to which all are welcome.

Your body is the temple of the Holy

Ghost. The Divine Spirit dwells within you to give you the power you need, the thoughts that can conquer temptation, the life that in heart and mind ascends with the ascended Lord, and with Him continually dwells in a blessed calm, quiet, communion.

Provide your Own Prayer Books and Hymnals

Prayer Books and Hymnals are provided for strangers who attend the services of Christ Church and may be found at both entrances. Regular attendants at the service should provide themselves with their own Prayer Books. Every member of the church should possess a private set of Prayer Book and Hymnal, which should be brought to the Church and taken home after each service. Cloth covered books may be purchased at any book store for twenty-five cents and these may be left in the members pews.

Some additional names have been added to the list of subscribers through the Envelope System during the past month. This is encouraging and is an indication of the growing interest among the attendants at the services and a recognition of the principal that every one should be a regular, systematic, conscientious supporter of the work of the parish. The Envelope System of giving should be extended until it includes every member, child and adult, of every family in the Parish. St. Paul lays down the rule: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." I Cor. 16:2. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule.

Thank Offerings

Some time ago a woman brought \$7.50 for the work of missions, saying, "In former years I have been obliged to pay a doctor's bill of this amount. This year there has been no sickness in my family, which enables me to give so much to the Lord." At another time she brought a donation of \$3.00, saying, "I bring you this donation for missions as a thankoffering for recent mercies I have received."

Be a Good Boy; "Good Bye"

How oft in my dreams I go back to
the day

When I stood at the old wooden
gate,

And started to school in full battle ar-
ray,

Well armed with a primer and slate.
And as the latch fell I thought my-
self free,

And gloried, I fear, on the sly,
'Till I heard a kind voice that whisper-
ed to me;

"Be a good boy; good-bye."

"Be a good boy; good-bye." It seems
They have followed me all these
years;

They have given a form to my youth-
ful dreams,

And scattered my foolish fears.
They have stayed my feet on many a
brink,

Unseen by a blinded eye;
For just in time I would pause and
think:

"Be a good boy; good-bye."

O brother of mine, in the battle of life,
Just starting, or nearing its close,
This motto aloft in the midst of the
strife

Will conquer wherever it goes.
Mistakes you will make, for each of us
errs,

But brother, just honestly try
To accomplish your best in whatever
occurs,

"Be a good boy; good-bye."

—Selected.

cleverer than other people, or have more
beauty than other people, or more in-
fluence or whatever it may be; the not
thinking, and therefore taking the
adornments, and taking the beauty,
and taking the intelligence, and taking
the whole that God has given us, and
lavishing it—not on sin, giving it may
be, a hundred here, and a hundred
there, perhaps a thousand here, and a
thousand there—but giving it irre-
spective of ever having realized what
Christ wanted to be done with it;
spending it on the world and the
things of the world. Oh, think what
Christ feels, when He knows what
eternity involves! It would be no mat-
ter, if He did not love you; it would be
no matter if He had not died for you.
Then it would not grieve Him. But
it grieves Him because He loves you,
and because He has given you all this
that you may show you love Him, and
gladden the heart of the crucified King.
He is wounded, not by the outside
world—that He expects—but wound-
ed in the house of His friends. 'It was
not an enemy that has done Me this
dishonor, for then I could have borne
it; but it was thou, My friend, for
whom I died, to whom I did give a
Christian name; and yet thou didst
never think how thou couldst please
Me and gladden My heart.' Oh, my
brethren, there is a life-long teaching
in that word, 'I know My sheep.'—
From The Invisible Blory, by the late
Bishop Wilkinson.

"I Know My Sheep"

My Brethren, we do not desire to do
wrong, but we do not think of it, and,
I repeat, what breaks the heart of any
one, wife or husband or mother or
child—what breaks anybody's heart,
who has a heart left to break, so much
as indifference?

"By indifference, I mean the not
thinking what Christ wants us to do
with our money; the not thinking what
wishes to with those abounding re-
sources; the not thinking why we are

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How can they be reached—these cold indifferent men and women, both within and without the Church? Only by the power of the Holy Spirit of God! And here is the favor I would ask. Let every faithful member of this Parish pray daily, during this Lent, that the Holy Spirit may move the hearts of all persons in this Parish and both within and without the Church, that there may be a quickening of conscience and a deepening of religious life and devotion to Christ and His Church. The following prayer will help us. Let us all pray it. Pray it daily; pray it fervently; and as we pray it let us keep in mind some particular person or persons for whom our prayers are especially desired, and mention the name of each person where indicated in this prayer. Let us pray:

O Almighty and merciful God, who doth govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of thy servants and grant unto our Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful (especially) visit and relieve the sick, (especially) turn and soften the wicked (especially) arouse the careless and indifferent (especially) recover the fallen (especially) restore the penitent (especially) remove all hindrances to the advancement to Thy truth; and bring all to be one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our prayers must not be confined to ourselves alone, or to our friends, or to those who are near; but our prayers and our sympathy and our love must go out to all men everywhere, that the light of Christ's Gospel may be shed abroad and that all the nations may be brought into His fold. Therefore let us pray:

Lord of all power and might, who rulest in heaven and in earth, and canst turn the hearts of men after the counsel of Thine own will; we humbly pray Thee to awaken in all the members of our Parish, such a deep sense of their duty to maintain and set forward the work of missions, that by their faith and zeal Thy Holy Name may be glorified, and the bounds of Thy Kingdom enlarged, through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

A Prayer For Missionaries

Almighty and most merciful God, we humbly beseech Thee, for the merits of Thy dear Son, to pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon all our missionaries at home and abroad, and to crown their labors with success in the gathering of souls into Thy Kingdom, to the honor and praise of Thy glorious Name, who art Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

A Mid-Day Prayer

Blessed Saviour, who at this hour didst hang upon the Cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look unto Thee and be saved, through Thy mercies and merits who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Devotional Reading During Lent

In addition to more frequent reading of the Bible, with deeper reflection and more earnest prayer, the Rector affectionately urges every member of this Parish to select a course of devotional reading, which shall be a part of the every day life during this Season of Lent. Lent calls us to turn our minds to the deeper and to the more serious side of life; to set our hearts on things above not on things on the earth. At least one-half hour each day should be spent in a slow, reflective, serious reading of the Bible—preferably in the early morning or before retiring at night. Begin by reading the shorter Epistles, such as the Epistle to the Ephesians, the Philippians, the Colossians, etc. After these read the longer Epistles. The entire Season of Lent may profitably be spent on the Epistles. Do not read hurriedly, but carefully and thoughtfully, endeavoring to get at the spiritual meaning of each sentence. Mark in your Bibles the passages which specially appeal to you. "Read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them."

And then in addition to Bible Reading a course of "devotional reading" should be pursued during Lent. Instead of spending so much time over the secular papers, with their various earlier and later "editions," a part at least, of this valuable time—say, in the evening with the family at home—might very profitably be devoted to religious and devotional reading.

The list of books below are suitable for daily readings. They may be purchased at the Department Book Stores or at the Church Book Store of George W. Jacobs and Co., 1628 Chestnut St.

The Rector will be pleased to furnish them at cost price to persons who may wish them.

It will also afford the Rector pleasure to loan to parishioners any book from his private library.

Mission literature and leaflets on the subject of Confirmation and Church Teachings will be found in the vestibules of the Church. These are for gratuitous distribution and all are invited to take copies.

Lenten Readings

The following Devotional reading is recommended:

"The Conquest of Trouble and the Peace of God." By Bishop Brent, price fifty cents.

"Life's Journey." By Bishop Montgomery. With Introduction by the Bishop of London. Price ninety cts.

"The Wondrous Passion." By Rev. F. W. Drake, with Introduction by the Bishop of London, price ninety cents.

"The Faith of the Cross." By Bishop Rhinelander, price \$1.20.

"The Sacred Way." By Rev. Jesse Brett, price \$1.20.

"Considerations for Lent." By Vernon Staley, price sixty cents.

"The Christian Character." By same author, price forty-five cents.

"Studies in the Passion of Jesus Christ," by Rev. Charles Henry Robinson, price ninety cents and twenty-five cents.

"The More Abundant Life," by Phillips Brooks, price \$1.25.

"The Way"—A Book for Boys, by George Wharton Pepper, price fifty cents.

The following books will also be found profitable reading:

"History of the American Episcopal Church," by Rev. S. D. McConnell, D. D.

"The Oxford Movement," by Dean Church.

"The Episcopal Church in America," by Dean Hodges.

"Turning Point of English Church History," by Ed. L. Cult, D. D., price \$1.25.

"Turning Points of General Church History," same author, price \$1.25.

"The Layman's History of Church of England," (elementary) G. R. Balleine, price fifty cents.

"History of the Book of Common Prayer," Proctor, price \$2.95.

"Geibel's Life of Christ

"History of the Prayer Book,"—Blunt.

Rules for Lent

Prayer:—

Intense, earnest—both public and private—expressive of the deepest desire of your heart for a better life.

Meditation:—

In the quiet of your own room and in the house of God, that you may think of your life and its duties; that you may understand the better the lessons the Cross of Christ teaches of sin and holiness, of guilt and forgiveness.

Self-Examination:—

To find out your besetting sin, your sinful habits, your failings, temptations, dangers; to ascertain your actual spiritual condition, that you may strengthen the good and conquer the evil.

Repentance:—

Whereby you forsake sin, that dishonors and offends God, violates His laws and pollutes your soul—a genuine hatred of that which makes your Saviour mourn and drives Him from your breast.

Church Attendance:—

A punctual, regular and systematic attendance upon the special services appointed. Attend as many as possible. Give special importance to every opportunity offered to partake of the Holy Communion.

Good Works:—

That by abundant labors you may serve humanity for the Master's sake, and use your influence to bring others into the fold of Christ.

Alms Giving:—

To relieve distress; to advance the interest of the Church; to create an Easter Offering worthy of your devotion.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third

Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d

and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third

Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's

Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-

day, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by ap-

pointment.

Kalendar for Lent

A. D. 1916

"Welcome, dear Feast of Lent"

March:

8 Ash Wednesday

12 First Sunday in Lent

15, 17, 18. Ember Days

19 Second Sunday in Lent.

25 Annunciation B. V. M.

26 Third Sunday in Lent

April:

2 Fourth Sunday in Lent

9 Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent

16 Sixth (Palm) Sunday in Lent

17 Monday before Easter

18 Tuesday before Easter

19 Wednesday before Easter

20 Maundy Thursday

21 Good Friday

22 Easter Even

23 Easter Day.

Consult the List of Services

On another page will be found in full the list of Special services for the Forty Days of Lent. Consult this list carefully. Select certain services from this list and make a firm resolution that, God willing, you will be regular and faithful in your attendance. Be in earnest! Let nothing, but God's will, swerve you from your determination!

Lent is an Invitation:

To give you an insight into the secret of nobler living. Accept the invitation. Make no vain excuses.

Lent is an Opportunity:

Grasp it. Opportunity once neglected never returns.

Lent is a Privilege:

Full of rich experiences, inspiring thoughts, noblest occupations, deep devotion. Prize your privileges and enjoy them.

Lent is a Necessity:

To every honest person, who would take account of his life and learn his

actual spiritual condition and see himself as God sees him.

That This May be Your Last Lent on Earth

If that be so, how will you observe it?

The Vestry Letter

The Vestry will soon issue a letter to the members of the Congregation, setting forth the financial condition and the needs of the Parish. It is earnestly desired that not only the customary deficit in the current expenses should be fully met at this coming Easter but that an extraordinary effort be made to greatly reduce the debt on the Parish House. This debt can be very soon wiped entirely out, if our people, one and all, will determine, even at the greatest personal sacrifice, to do it. Surely the same spirit of self-sacrifice which the people of Christ Church have always shown in the past, will not be lacking during this coming Lent and Easter Day! Let every one make a heroic effort to cancel the Parish House debt of \$5000.00 on Easter Day.

You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.

During the past month there has been held every Saturday afternoon a Cake and Candy Sale by some members of the Sunday School for the purpose of raising funds to erect a sliding partition between the Intermediate Department and the Main School. The Intermediate Department has increased in numbers to such an extent that they seriously interfere with the exercises of the Main School. It is therefore urgent that the partition be provided at once.

The partition will cost about three hundred dollars and the members of the Sunday School cordially welcome from any of their friends financial assistance for this much needed improvement. Through the efforts of some faithful members of the School nearly

\$100.00 have been realized by Cake and Candy Sales. Who will help make up the differences! Word may be sent to the Rector or to the Superintendent of the School, Mr. George T. Morgan, 506 Manheim St., Germantown.

SERVICES IN LENT

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office,
Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Evening Service, Sermon 8.00 P. M.

Sundays

Holy Communion, Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service, Sermon (Holy Communion, First Sunday) 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon (Special Preachers, See list below) ... 7.45 P. M.
Service in Church for Sunday School (First Sunday in month) 9.45 A. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes (In Parish House) 9.45 A. M.
Women's Bible Class 3.00 P. M.
Young People's Half Hour Service of Song (Parish House) 7.00 P. M.
(In charge of Brotherhood St. Andrew and Daughters of the King).

Mondays

Evening Prayer; Readings on "How We Got Our Bible" 4.45 P. M.

Tuesdays

Evening Prayer; Readings on "How We Got Our Bible" 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday

Litany, Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer 4.45 P. M.
Evening Service; Address on "Fundamentals of the Christian Faith" (See list below) 8.00 P. M.

Thursdays

Evening Prayer; Readings on "History of the Church" 4.45 P. M.

Fridays

Evening Prayer; Readings on "History of the Church" 4.45 P. M.

Saturdays

Preparatory Service and Meditation on the "Holy Communion" 4.45 P. M.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION

(In Parish House)

For Minors—Every Sunday ... 4.00 P. M.
For Adults—Every Friday .. 8.00 P. M.
All persons Confirmed or Unconfirmed, are invited to these Instructions.

Special Lenten Preachers

Sunday Evening, March 19th, The Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Ph. D., Principal of Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, March 19th, The Rev. James Alan Montgomery, D. D., Professor of the Divinity School, Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, April 2nd, The Rev. George C. Foley, D. D., Professor of the Divinity School, Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, April 9, The Rev. Edward J. McHenry, Rector, Church of the Holy Comforter, Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, (Palm Sunday), The Rector.

It will be noted in the above list of services that at the daily Evening Prayer at 4.45 there will be "Readings," except on Wednesday afternoon, when there will be Evening Prayer only.

On Monday and Tuesday afternoons the subjects of the readings will be: "How We Got Our Bible." This course will include, "Sources of Our Bible," "The Ancient Manuscripts," "The Ancient Versions," "The Septuagint," "The English Versions."

On Thursday and Friday afternoons the subjects will be "The History of the Church," beginning with the time of Christ and briefly tracing its history from the Apostolic Age to the Age of the Reformation.

On Saturday afternoons instead of Evening Prayer, there will be a "Preparatory Service," and the Rector will give a course of "Meditations" on the Holy Communion.

The Service on Wednesday Evenings at eight o'clock will be a shortened form of Evening Prayer. The Rector will deliver a course of sermons on the "Fundamentals of the Christian Faith." The course will include the following subjects:

Wednesday, March 8th—"The Christian Religion—What is it?"

Wednesday, March 15th—"God—Why do we Believe in a Personal God?"

Wednesday, March 22nd—"Jesus Christ—Why Do We Believe He is the Son of God?"

Wednesday, March 29th—"The Holy Spirit—What is meant by the Holy Spirit?"

Wednesday, April 5th—"The Bible—Why Do We Believe It Is the Word of God?"

Wednesday, April 12th—"The Church—What is the Church of God?"

Wednesday, April 19th—"Eternal Life—Why do We Believe in the Life Beyond?"

is what he is for. The Prayer Book in the Communion Office, so states it: "If any of you cannot quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word, and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice, as may tend to the quieting of his conscience, and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness."

The Rector is most anxious to help any one who may be in doubt, or trouble and will gladly do all within his power for anyone who comes to him.

Bible Study Class

Through the kindness of Mrs. Louise S. Houghton a Bible Study Class has been formed which will meet on Friday mornings at eleven o'clock. The formation of this class is a great privilege and the women of the parish are invited to avail themselves of it. Mrs. Haughton is unusually well fitted for the teaching of such a class, and we feel very grateful that she has so kindly consented to give us the advantage of her fund of biblical knowledge.

Have You Been Baptized? If Not Why Not?

Have You Been Confirmed? If Not, Why Not?

The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese will visit this Parish (D. V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, April 20th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector affectionately urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to him at once. He will be happy to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, come to him and tell him your troubles. He will help you. That

A handsome Memorial Altar Book for use on the side altar has been given by a parishioner in memory of Mrs. Victoria Violet Tyler.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild held its monthly meeting on Monday afternoon, February 14th with eleven members present. Various matters of business were discussed and the condition of the Altar linens and vestments was attended to. The Guild congratulates the members of the Embroidery Class on the completion of a green stole, exquisitely embroidered. It is a present to the Church through Miss Bessie Chase, teacher of the Class.

Arrangements were made for the Annual Supper of the Guild, which will be held in the Parish House, Tuesday evening, March 7th. This is always a most delightful occasion for all the members.

During Lent the members of the Guild will all be busy arranging for the extra week-day services.

The Altar Committees for March are as follows:

March 3rd to 10th—Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

March 10th to 17th—Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

March 17th to 24th—Misses Cooley, Gerhardt, E. Manser.

March 24th to 31st—Misses Dean, Faulkner, Smith, H. Faulkner.

G. F. D.

Mother's Meeting

The Mother's Meetings have continued during the past month with rather a decrease in attendance owing to the bad weather. However, we have had very pleasant times together and are enjoying the reading aloud of "Anne of Green Gables." On this first Tuesday of the month we had the pleasure of having with us Miss Sara Longstreet, who gave us a very interesting account of life in Japan. She brought with her Japanese dresses, toys, and curios, and gave us a delightful time.

Our work, as usual consists of making aprons, etc., for sale, but beside this we are making sets of baby clothes to be given to the House of St. Michael and All Angels. May we again remind the housekeepers of the congregation that we should be glad to supply their needs in regard to gingham aprons, towels, dusters, etc. We have also on hand some fine rag rugs which can be bought at the usual rates.

H. M. F. A.

The Woman's Auxiliary

At the February meeting we had a talk about Diocesan Missions from

Mrs. Matthew Randall of Wayne, who told us in a very practical and interesting way of the Missionary and Social work being done in our own Diocese. Surely we should know more of the fine things our Church is doing to cheer and uplift mankind here at our own door. How few of us do know of this work or ever help in any way. "As ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

The Lenten sewing this year will be supplies for a Tuberculosis Hospital in North Carolina, built and equipped by Negroes for these unfortunate of their own race who are not admitted to any of the hospitals for whites.

It has been suggested that instead of the usual Mission Study Class this Lent we have a Bible Class led by Mrs. Houghton. We are fortunate indeed in having for a leader a woman of such wide experience, and so well fitted to teach a class in the Study of the Bible.

The meeting on the first Thursday in March will be in charge of the Indian Hope Committee and we can look forward to a very interesting meeting.

A. M. M.

Bishop Rhinelander at Christ Church

The people of Christ Church will have again this year the privilege of attending a Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion conducted by the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, on Maundy Thursday evening. The Bishop will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation at 7.45 P. M., and preach. Immediately after this service will be held the Preparatory Service, which all persons are invited to attend.

All who had the opportunity of being present at this service as conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church for the past two years know how very helpful and inspiring these meditations have been. It will be a great privilege to have the Bishop here again this year—a privilege which every communicant will want to avail himself.

Confirmation Instruction

Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church are being delivered every Friday evening at eight o'clock for adults and every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors in the Parish House.

All persons, confirmed and not confirmed are cordially invited to these Instructions.

The Rector will be pleased to meet after any service or by special appointment any one who wishes to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation. He requests that all who are contemplating confirmation should give their names to him at once.

To the Men of the Parish

This Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will inaugurate a class for the study of the "History of the Early Church" from the time of the Apostles to the Reformation. This is a subject with which very few are conversant and should prove of great interest to the men and older boys. The class will be a continuation of the regular Chapter meeting and will begin promptly at 8.30 on Monday evening, March 20th. At present it will meet only on the third Monday evening of each month but if the attendance warrants other arrangements may be made later. Is it worth anything to you?

Another feature for this meeting will be the presence of the President of the Philadelphia Local Assembly, Dr. John Wilkinson, Jr., who has promised the Director to come from South Philadelphia to speak to the men of this Parish along lines which will be of value to men who have the welfare of the Parish at heart and desire to do their share toward enlarging the work in this neighborhood. Dr. Wilkinson is a strong speaker and is worthy of a large attendance and a hearty welcome.

With these two drawing cards the evening of March 20th, should find a goodly number of the men of the Parish present. Will you do your

share toward fulfilling our expectations?

C. H. J.

The Men's Club

We note in the columns of the current issue of Southern Churchman, a paper published weekly in Richmond, Va., a statement to the effect that the Men's Club of Christ Church, Germantown, had a banquet, February 15th, last, at which the guest of honor was the Bishop. It seems we are getting famous. This, however, is a time when our fame is well deserved for the banquet spoken of was one of the most enjoyable affairs in the history of the club. Being essentially modest, the club management was not going to say anything about it but as long as they take notice of it in the village of Richmond some few miles away—a word or so about it from us will not seem out of place.

About eighty men were present—amongst whom there were many whose presence we should like to enjoy more often than we have been able to do in the recent past. Also there were quite a few of the faithful who were prevented from coming by reason of another club engagement made previous to the announcement of this happy event.

The toastmaster of the occasion was our genial Sunday School Superintendent and he demonstrated how witty and careful a man may become when he is not being besought for new scholars, new teachers, new books, new badges, etc. His famous speeches—we use the plural because it came in sections—was one of the features of the entertainment. One sentence struck us with peculiar force "We have with us tonight"—As these were the words which Cyrus, the Persian King, used to introduce Xenophon to his courtiers at a banquet held soon after the flood, we wish to pay our respects to antiquity and state our conviction that our friend, the toastmaster, must be a student of ancient history of no mean ability.

The speech by the Bishop on "Loyalty to Truth as the Real Test of Love" will not be forgotten by any man there. It was a forceful appeal to all the better instincts of a man's nature and when the toastmaster, after the Bishop had finished, called upon every man present to openly pledge himself to the fulfillment of these ideals in his life—to a man the company rose and pledged themselves "By God's help we will." It was a scene not often witnessed in these days when in the chaotic rush and turmoil of life the deeper, purer things are often forgotten or given at best, scant attention.

Other speakers at the banquet were the Rector, Dr. Caley and Col. Sheldon Potter. Their talks were in the nature of reminiscences. Somewhere in these three addresses a new story was told but we lost track of it and are therefore sorry not to be able to give credit where credit is due.

The next meeting of the Club will be on Friday night, March 10th, when there will be a special feature in the form of an address by Mr. Matthew Tatsumi. He will speak on "The Japan of Today." Mr. Tatsumi is at present a student for the ministry of this church, having come here last fall from Japan to study at the Philadelphia Divinity School.

We hope all those who saw at the banquet what kind of times we have at these club meetings will be here at the next meeting. Remember the date Friday, March 10th, at 8.00 P. M.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club has been reorganized and committees have been appointed to carry on the various branches of its work—such as distribution of books and the placing of magazines in bulk in the best places, to say nothing of the great work that is being done by the Business Manager in placing the magazines that go out regularly either weekly or monthly.

As an instance of what the club can do and is asked to do, Bishop Tucker of

Japan wrote to the Diocesan Correspondent in Pennsylvania asking for a list of religious books that he needed very much in his work. This list was read to the Foreign Committee last Monday morning and immediately the money was placed in the hands of the Business Manager, and before this goes to press the much needed books will be on their way to good Bishop Tucker. Then there is the Travelling Library. It has taken a long time to collect the money—the books came very quickly—but with very little more this little case of books will be bringing great pleasure to some isolated men, women and children, and the blessing will be carried in memory of Miss Lucy W. Fell, a devoted lover of missions—one of our departed parishioners who fully realized the price of the command. "Go preach my gospel to all people."

If it were possible to print all the grateful letters from donors there is not one person that would not clamor to send at least one periodical of some kind, and all kinds are asked for—from Blackwoods to the Atlantic, from Woman's Home Companion to the most valued Technical pamphlet printed,—not forgetting all the religious publications and the periodicals for the children—last but by no means least.

L. J. J. Librarian.

The Missionary Spirit

Of one thing I feel sure, nothing could be better for rousing the spiritual life of a congregation, and leading it on to a higher life, than the cultivation of the spirit of missions. The progress of the Kingdom of God in the World is a study well calculated to enlarge the mind and soul, and rescue torpid congregations from their self-satisfied ease. What a power for good would be our home if Christians really alive to their privileges and duty in helping forward the work of God in all lands. —A. M. Mackey, of Uganda.

The Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary will resume their weekly meetings in the Parish House on Friday, March 10th, and will meet every Friday afternoon at four o'clock. Every girl in the Parish is cordially invited to these meetings and it is hoped that this invitation will be accepted by more girls.

Work for some special missionary field will be decided upon at this first meeting and it is proposed to do a great deal during the coming Lent.

Sunday School

The Primary Department had a party on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 26. About seventy accepted the invitation and spent a most enjoyable time. Seventy is a little above the average attendance on Sunday morning but not much, for the Primary Class is flourishing under the able management of Miss Gertrude Feist and the staff of faithful teachers. Perhaps the class will have to be divided and a Beginners' Class instituted.

The Junior and Senior Departments together with the Bible Classes will have a social on Friday evening, Mar. 3. The parents of the scholars have been invited and a good get-together time is expected.

The regular monthly Teacher's meeting will be held on Monday, March 6 and will be preceded by a supper at 6.30.

It is said that a Bishop and his wife will grace this meeting. At this very informal and social meeting the trials and troubles of the teachers can be talked over and the problems of the school discussed. With such a faithful and devoted body of teachers the Lenten Season is anticipated as certain to be productive of much good to all concerned.

A Bible Study Class will be established after Ash Wednesday, Friday morning at 11 o'clock. The teacher is well equipped for the work and the women of the church who can get away at that hour should certainly attend.

G. T. M.

Do You Miss Them?

There are four societies in the Parish not reporting in this issue of the Chimes. They are as follows:

The Junior Brotherhood
The Girls' Friendly
The Boy's Brigade
The Boy Scouts.

We can assure the parishioners that these four are in a lively state of activity but the last day for receipt of copy for the Chimes stole upon them unawares, and so in next month's issue they will be expected to fill up double space.

Athletic Association

The Athletic Association of the Parish reports a summer of very prosperous activity. Last spring it was necessary to have a considerable amount of improvement done to the grounds, adjoining the Parish House and this improvement entailed a rather large outlay of funds for an organization of this kind but, feeling that the end would justify the means, the grounds were put into good shape, and, after careful attention, a very good tennis court resulted. Next came the construction of a volley ball court and, as the attendance increased and additional ground was required, another tennis court was constructed on the ground along Washington Lane. The patronage which this has received, especially from the Juniors, has warranted the expense of making it. The Association now has in operation a doubles court and a singles court for tennis and a well constructed court for volley-ball. For these a caretaker was employed all summer long. The grounds presented a very fair appearance. Next summer the upper court will be in as good condition as the lower one (we hope).

But all these things have cost money and perhaps some will wonder from whence it has come and whether enough has come. The Association treasurer reports that there has been spent over seventy-six dollars on the improvement and care of the grounds since June 1st and is pleased to report

that every cent of this has been raised by the members of the Association. Tennis fees, guest fees, two cake-and-candy sales and earnest and continued co-operation have succeeded in giving the Treasurer at this date a balance of \$1.75 over these expenses with all expenses paid. It has been the policy of the management to give the members full value for their fees—to contract only for such improvements as would be entirely paid for and not to burden the treasurer's books with an unutilized balance. Reports have been rendered as of June 15th, Aug. 1st, Aug. 21st, and Sept. 27th.

Owing to the lack of space none is published here. The Treasurer will be glad to show them to anyone interested.

The Association wishes to urge the young people of the Parish who have not already done so to join and thus help and share in the "doings" for the coming spring and summer. Membership cost 50c. and is good for six months. If anyone feels they would like to give a bit more than this—Sustaining memberships—good for a year and including all fees—cost \$2.00.

The Athletic Association is sending out to members of the Parish invitations to subscribe to a sustaining membership in the organization for one year from date of subscription. Last year we had a regular playground in operation, on the grounds next to the Parish House and this year we plan to make it even better, having games which young and old can enjoy. We trust these memberships will be liberally subscribed to at \$2.00 each for they will entitle the subscriber, without further expenses to the use of the tennis and volley ball courts and participation in the other games we plan to have here all summer long.

The President of the Association, Mr. Chas. Cotton or its Treasurer will be very glad to explain in detail the plans and purpose of the summer work of the Association at considerably greater length than space in these columns will permit us to do here. We trust you will help us by subscribing to one of these memberships.

Mr. Waldron, a city missionary in Boston, met a prominent business man recently, who said: "Looking over my cash account I saw this entry: Pug terrier, \$10; and on the next line, City Missionary Society, \$5.00. I have not felt quite easy about the matter ever since, and you may count on me for an additional \$5.00." There are many others who would no doubt be made uncomfortable also if they were carefully to scan their lists of expenditures for luxuries and benevolence.

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Holy Week

The shadows deepen! Our Saviour is on His way to Calvary! The Cross appears!

During this Holy Week we turn our thoughts away from the world, its vanities, its false ambitions, its low ideals, and contemplate in awe and love the closing scenes in our Lord's earthly life, from His triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city that He loves, until, wearied and exhausted, He slowly wends His way along the Via Sacra, passes through the gates of the city, which has rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary.

I am sure, my dear friends, that every Christian heart in this Parish will yearn to be close to Jesus during these holy days of holy week.

That we may follow Him and learn of Him and commune with Him will be the chief end of each day between now and Easter Day.

The services have been so arranged that this last week in Lent may be, indeed, to all a **Holy Week**. I pray that all our people may share in this blessed privilege.

"Sweet the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the cross I spend;
Life and health and peace possessing
Through the sinner's dying friend.

Here I kneel in wonder, viewing
Mercy poured in streams of blood;
Precious drops, for pardon suing,
Make and plead my peace with God."

Bishop Rhinelander to Conduct a Communicants' Service on Maundy Thursday Evening

I want to call the attention of all Communicants of the Church to the **Preparatory Service for Easter Communion**, which will be conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening.

The Confirmation Service will begin promptly at 7.45 with a sermon by the Bishop.

Immediately following Confirmation will be held the Communicants' Service. All who had the privilege of attending this service, as conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church for the past two years, know how very helpful and inspiring these meditations have been. The Bishop would like to have all communicants present.

I, therefore, affectionately ask that **every Communicant of Christ Church attend this Service on Maundy Thursday evening.**

While this service is especially intended for Communicants, **all persons**, whether they are communicants of the Episcopal Church or not, are cordially invited.

Oh, press this thought to your innermost soul—that those whom you have "loved long since, and lost a while" love you still, care for you still, with a warmth of affection which kindles into an intenser brilliance as they come nearer to the heart of the Eternal Father, the Source and Sun of Love. And in this love they wait for us.—Rev. F. B. Meyer.

An Interesting Lecture

A very interesting and instructive lecture on France and the work that the McAll mission is doing in that country was delivered to a large audience in our Parish House on Tuesday evening, April 4th by Mrs. Louise Leymoun Houghton. Mrs. Houghton lived in France during the eventful days of the Franco-Prussian War and her description of conditions at that time and of her personal experiences were most graphic and interesting. The lecture was highly appreciated by all who heard it. The proceeds went to work of the McAll Mission.

Easter Communion

It seems almost impertinent for the Rector to suggest the duty of every Communicant to prepare for and to receive the Holy Communion on Easter Day. To every devout Communicant this is a most blessed privilege. The Prayer Book provides a special collect, Gospel and Epistle for both the early and later Celebration of the Holy Communion on this, the greatest Day of the Christian Year. It has been the custom of the Catholic or Universal Church from the earliest ages. It is the custom of ninety per cent. of the Christian people today, extending over the whole earth.

"Christ is Risen from the Dead and become the first fruits of them that slept!" Such is the triumphant anthem which encircles the earth, as the Easter sun wakes up the world.

Ten thousand temples are crowded; ten thousand altars spread; ten thousand times ten thousand voices sing: "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast."

In stately cathedral and humble parish church, on hospital bed and on bloody battle field, heavy hearts will turn to God on this Easter Day and hungry souls will be fed with that Bread that cometh down from heaven.

Though faith and hope awhile be tried,
We ask not, need not aught beside;
How safe, how calm, how satisfied,
The souls that cling to Thee!

They fear not life's rough storms to brave,
Since Thou art near and strong to save
Nor shudder e'en at death's dark wave,
Because they cling to Thee.

If Christ did not rise from the dead we have little to assure us of any life beyond the grave; but if He did rise again and overcome death then is it possible for any human being to partake of His resurrection, and to possess a hope of everlasting life for himself and all his loved ones. Without this hope life is hardly worth the living.

Our Easter Offering

Our Easter Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall choose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16:16.)

If this was the custom in Old Testament times how more abundantly and gladly should the Christian pour out his heart to God in thanksgiving on Easter Day.

Whilst I am very anxious that the full amount asked for by the Vestry shall be realized this Easter, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from all, from every man, woman and child, and that it shall be an expression of deep, true Christian devotion according as God hath blessed each one of us.

As Christ rose he calls upon us to rise from a life of selfishness, strife, envy and greed, which is the natural life of fallen man, and strive to cultivate the higher parts of our nature—the mind and soul—that our lives may be bright, happy and useful; enriched with love and service, delighting in spiritual exercises of devotion, and finding in the prayers and praises of His sanctuary a foretaste of Heaven; even as we are thus prepared for the happiness of that eternal Home.

Lord Rosebury on the Resurrection

The great statesman and diplomat Lord Salisbury, said in regard to the Resurrection:

To me the central point is the Resurrection of Christ, which I believe. Firstly, because it is testified by men who had every opportunity of seeing and knowing, and whose veracity was tested by the most tremendous trials, both of energy and endurance, during long lives. Second, because of the marvellous effect it had upon the world. As a moral phenomenon, the spread and mastery of Christianity is without a parallel. I can no more believe that colossal moral effects can be without a cause, than I can believe that the various motions of the magnet are without a cause, though I cannot wholly explain them. To any one who believes the Resurrection of Christ, the rest presents little difficulty. No one who has belief will doubt that those who were commissioned by Him to speak—Paul, Peter, Mark, John—carried a Divine message. St. Matthew falls into the same category. St. Luke has the warrant of the generation of Christians who saw and heard the others."

"The Church believes today in the Resurrection of Christ because she has always believed in it. If all the documents which tell the story of the first Easter Day should disappear, the Church would still sing her Easter praises, and offer her Easter sacrifice of thanksgiving; for she is older than the oldest of her documents, and from father to son all through the centuries she has passed on the message of the first Easter morning—"The Lord is risen indeed." The Church believes in the Resurrection because she is the product of the Resurrection."

The Vestry's Letter

The Vestry has issued a letter to the members and all who worship in Christ Church, setting forth the needs of the Parish at this Easter. After stating the amount of income and expenditures for the past twelve months the letter states:

"The deficit this year is less than it has been for several years past, and \$1200 less than in 1915. May we not

therefore confidently hope that the Offering on Easter will reach the entire sum asked for (\$1413.01) which will enable us to begin our new fiscal year free from any current indebtedness?"

It is also a great pleasure to be able to announce to you that during the past year the mortgage debt has been reduced by the payment of \$1900.00, so that our Mortgage indebtedness is now \$1000.

If the plan proposed by the Finance Committee be adopted, (see Page 5, February issue of the "Chimes") and the monthly envelopes for the cancellation of the Mortgage generally used by the Congregation, the extinguishment of that debt will soon be achieved.

Let each member of our Beloved Church aid, as God enables, and by self denial and in the spirit of generosity and love, faithfully do his or her share to make our Easter Offering memorable in the History of our Parish.

Faithfully yours,

The Vestry of Christ Church

Copies of the Vestry's letter may be found in the vestibules of the Church.

The serious problem of our day has been a serious problem in every age, namely: How to create in the human breast an interest for spiritual things, and for a holy life and for a future world, amid the temptations, and business concerns, and pleasures, and the other attractions, which the present world has to offer? And the problem can be met only in the ways that it has always in the past been met, in the Church's regular system of training, and in the special means of grace which the Divine Wisdom has enabled her to provide and the Holy Spirit has blessed for the purpose.

Sunday School Easter Service

The Sunday School Easter Carol Service will be held in the Church on Easter Sunday evening. The school will March into the Church from the Parish House promptly at 7.30 o'clock. The parents and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to be present at this service.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies
Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2d Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

HOLY COMMUNION:

Daily (Except Good Friday and Saturday) 7.30 A. M.

Also Wednesday 9.30 A. M.

MEDITATIVE READINGS (On the Sacred Events of Each Day) 4.45 P. M.

EVENING PRAYER, LITANY, SERMON

Wednesday 8.00 P. M.

CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNICANTS' SERVICE (Conducted by the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania)

Maundy Thursday 7.45 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY

Penitential Service, Pro-Anaphora and Address 10.00 A. M.

Three Hours Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross .. 12 M.-3 P. M.
(Conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Green)

EASTER EVEN

Evening Prayer, Infant Baptism 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 A. M.

Sunday School Carol Service 7.30 P. M.

Booklet for Holy Week

A booklet, entitled "His Last Week" recounting the story of the Passion of our Lord in the words of the four Gospels, will be used in the Meditative Readings at the daily afternoon services in Holy Week. Persons attending these services are advised to provide themselves with copies of this little book and follow the reader, during the services, as the sacred events of each day are read.

Copies of this book will be found on the table at the West entrance of the Church. Please place the cost of the book—5 cents—in the box.

Bishop Requests to Meet Members
of Vestrys and Other Men

Reverend and dear Brother:

With the near approach of Good Friday I am writing to ask you to remind the members of your Vestry and other men of the service which is held for them on the afternoon of that Day. This year it will be at the Church of S. Luke and the Epiphany as in the past but at 4 o'clock. Will you kindly announce this Service in our Church on the two Sundays preceeding, and convey to the men a most cordial invitation from me to be present.

Faithfully yours,

Philip M. Rhinelander,
Bishop of Penna.

Three Hour Service on Good Friday

The Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Green, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Norwood, Pa. All who had the privilege of attending the Three Hour Service conducted by Mr. Green in Christ Church three years ago, will recall how helpful these Meditations were.

It is requested that persons shall be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering at this service is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms plates will be found at the doors. An excerpt from a letter from the Bishop reads:

"I would remind you of the appropriateness of asking the offerings on Good Friday for the Mission among the Jewish people. Since by the action of the last Convention this work in Philadelphia was put on the Diocesan Budget, any money given to our own committee will apply on the Parish apportionment."

Confirmation

The Apostolic Rite of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Rhineland in Christ Church, Maundy Thursday evening, April 20th at 7.45 'oclock.

It is not too late for persons to join the Confirmation Class.

The Rector will be glad to meet any who are thinking of Confirmation.

He may be seen after any service or by appointment.

What is Confirmation?

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts viii, xix and Heb. vi) has ever been continued by the Church. as 1st, the renewal of the Baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite practiced from the time of the Apostles and endorsed by the fathers of the church.

A. D. 180. Tertullian:—"After Baptism, then the Imposition of Hands."

A. D. 250. Cyprian:—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome:—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The Prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from this period. From this time on to the present there can not be any doubt concerning Confirmation or **The Laying on of Hands by the Bishop** being a Ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and therefore went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptist Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer, upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substituted unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, Sept. 25, 1742.

Congregational Testimony.

"The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."—Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years—shows clearly that the Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a Mother over her baptized children."—Committee of Gen. Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. Such imposition, I highly approve, and wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition."—John Calvin.

New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all who wish to subscribe through the Envelope System. Former Subscribers, who are pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews; others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order, on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign names and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information please apply after any service to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, in person in Church, or by addressing him at 328 South Third St.

Services on Easter Day

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Sermon, Holy Communion, 11.00

Sunday School Easter Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter week, Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Easter Memorial Flowers

The flowers on the altar on Easter Day will be, as usual, memorials to friends in Paradise. Persons who wish to have memorial flowers on the altar on Easter are requested to send flowers or blooming plants to the Parish House early on Saturday morning preceding Easter.

Contributions in money may be sent to the chairman of the Altar Guild, Mrs. Henry R. Baremore 6439 Jefferson Street.

Memorial flowers will be purchased by the Guild and placed on the altar in memory of the friends named.

The Rector requests that cards be attached to each memorial gift as he desires to know the names of the persons in whose memory the flowers are given.

Easter Offering

The offering presented by each worshipper at God's altar on Easter Day should mean **real sacrifice**. "Ye shall not appear before the Lord empty; every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord, thy God which He hath given thee."

It is the basest sacrifice to call ourselves Christians—followers of Him who sacrificed all for us; who gave Himself for us—and then give to Him grudgingly. "Will I offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing?"

Easter is the feast of joy—of triumph over the carnal, selfish self; a rising to the unselfish, spiritual plane.

There can be no Christian life without giving! Where love is there is always unselfish giving, sacrifice! One may give without loving but one **cannot love without giving!** Therefore a "selfish Christian" is a contradiction in terms. A "selfish Christian" is a sham! "Whoso seeth his brother in need and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

It cannot! "God so loved the world that He gave," A Christ—man is a loving man, hence a "giving man."

On Easter Day we show forth our love to God by giving—"Here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, **ourselves**, our souls and bodies, to be a

reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto Thee."

Let this great Feast of Easter bring to every Christian heart in our Parish a deeper love and joy, such as will be manifested by a fuller consecrated service and sacrifice.

Election of Vestrymen

An election for Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Church on Easter Monday, April 24th between the hours of five and six P. M.

The term of the following members of the Vestry expires this year:

J. M. Woodroffe
O. N. Middleton
R. H. Morris
G. T. Morgan
U. G. Rowley

Four (4) Vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three (3) years and one (1) for a term of two (2) years. The latter to serve for the unexpired term of Keith R. Rodney, who resigned on account of removal from the city, and whose place was temporarily filled by the Vestry (in accordance with Article 8 of the Charter of Incorporation) by the election of U. G. Rowley.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the Southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate.

Charter of Incorporation—Article 6

The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men, to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may

provide and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for and toward its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting during the same period. Said Vestrymen shall be elected to serve for the following terms: at the election next to be held after the adoption hereof four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1915, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1916, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1917, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and at each annual election thereafter four Vestrymen shall be elected to serve until the third Easter Monday thereafter and until their successors have been elected. The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestrymen. The said Vestry shall have power to fill any vacancy occurring therein until the next annual election, when such vacancy shall be filled by the election of a Vestryman to serve for and during the unexpired term.

Francis B. Falkner,
Secretary of the Vestry.

Envelope System

Let every one in the Parish subscribe now through the Envelope System of giving.

Pledge cards in vestibule.

Easter Music

The Choir of Christ Church has prepared an unusually interesting program of music for Easter Day. All of the numbers have been carefully selected, keeping in mind the devotional as well as the joyful spirit of the Feast of Feasts. The list follows:

Processional—Hymn 114—"Christ the Lord is risen again"

Christ our Passover Chapple

Introit—Hymn 116—"Angels, Roll the rock away."

Te Deum in B flat Sir John Stainer

Jubilate Deo in B flat

C. Villiers Stanford

Office Hymn 121—"The Strife is o'er the battle done. Alleluia!"

Anthem—"When it was yet Dark"

R. Hutningdon Woodman

The Communion Service will include the Sanctus and Benedictus from St. Cecelia by Charles Gounod and the Gloria in Excelsis by Berthold Tours. Retrocessional Hymn 109—"Welcome Happy Morning"

The Evening Service will be the Sunday School Easter Carol Service, with the anthem—"As it began to Dawn" by Sir George C. Martin.

Robert W. Staton, Choirmaster.

Where Hymns Originated

A Presbyterian contributed an article some time ago to a New York weekly, says the "New Music Review" on the subject of hymns. He states that he had examined a well known hymnal, widely used in Presbyterian churches, for the purpose of tracing the origin of the hymns and classifying the authors. The result of his investigation will interest, and perhaps surprise our readers. We quote:

Presbyterians	25
Congregationalists	38
Unitarians	27
Baptists	27
Methodists	11
Independents	8
Dutch Reformed	3
Universalists	3
Plymouth Brethren	7
Roman Catholics	6
Quakers	3
Moravians	2
Distinctively poets (men)	13
Distinctly poets (women)	13
Episcopalians	105

An After Easter Thought

As a result of our Easter Feast, have we attained a higher and more continuous level of piety? Or, if not that, have we planted what we had, nearer the river, so that its leaf will not again wither? Will those who know us best, take knowledge of us,

that we have indeed been with Jesus in His death and resurrection? The fruits of Holy Lent will be a happy Easter; and a happy Easter is that alone which scatters its bloom and breathes its fragrance over the whole Christian Year.

"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day," says the Apostle. That is what we should all strive to attain—to be raised for at least one day in the week above the grinding toil of our daily work; above the debasing influence of frivolous amusements; above the jangling of business or controversy; raised into the high and holy atmosphere, breathed by pure and peaceful lives, bright and beautiful thoughts, elevating and invigorating worship—Dean Stanley.

Girls' Friendly Society

The G. F. S. has had throughout the winter a most successful Gymnasium class, a good teacher instructed the class and the girls enjoyed the work and felt the great advantage of a class of this description. Now Lent is here we have arranged to again make our Baby's Layettes, which have been so much admired, and of so much help for the Babies, this year the work is for a Hospital at Ivy Depot, Virginia. We are looking forward to the Annual Service which is to be held at Holy Trinity Church early in May. A most inspiring service—the Lenten work of all its branches is there shown. We hope all the members of our G. F. S. will be there. We are most anxious to have more girls join our branch.

P. M.

Teachers' Meeting

was one of the most successful in the history of the school. Nearly every teacher and officer present. It is true that the business meeting was preceded by a very well served supper but of course that was not the reason for the unusual attendance. Bishop Beecher who accepted our invitation spoke of the great opportunities of our school and asked for a true Lenten offering of more earnest devotion to Christ Church Sunday School.

The Carols for Easter have been selected and under the able leadership of Mr. Reed are now being practiced every Sunday and some evening in the week.

G. T. M.

News of Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary was obliged to discontinue their meetings on Friday afternoons on account of "Cake Sales"—but now has resumed work again and we want to see all the little and big girls—as there is work for all. We will begin sewing for the "Children's Ward" of the Germantown Hospital.

On May tenth a play will be given for the benefit of our Auxiliary assisted by a few young ladies who volunteered to help us. The music will be rendered by the Orchestra of the Charles W. Henry School which has won quite a reputation in Germantown. Tickets will be sold by the children and hope all will join in making this a successful even and a happy evening.

G. H. B.

Meeting of Woman's Aid Germantown Convocation

The Woman's Aid to the Convocation of Germantown is to have a fete on May 24th at the residence of Mrs. George Woodward, Chestnut Hill, for the benefit of the Convocation especially St. Georges, Port Richmond and the Country Center Mission.

Every church woman in Chestnut Hill, Germantown, Kensington and Bucks County is asked to help make this fete a success.

There will be a sale of useful and fancy articles, amusements for children, refreshments and supper.

It is hoped to receive contributions from every Parish and Mission. Further information may be received from the chairman, Miss Mary Dale Graham, Chestnut Hill, Pa.

Help Wanted!

There has been an effort made in this parish for the past year to develop an up-to-date Men's Bible Class. It meets in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 10.00 o'clock under the leadership of Mr. Gurley, a very effi-

cient teacher. A framed notice hangs in each vestibule of the Church to call the attention of the men themselves and the parents of older boys, who feel that they are too old for Sunday School. We have also made personal solicitation for members and announcements have been made from the chancel and in the "Chimes." From the results it is evident that the men do not feel the need of such a class. Here is what a prominent Churchman in Chicago has to say about the matter:

"The Men's Bible Class, known to many of us as the cradle of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. I may be dull, but I frankly confess I do not understand how any parish which has been organized for a period of five years can exist without a recognition of this important department of parish life for training men in their duties as Churchmen. What business house would for a single day so jeopardize its future in like manner? Where else are we to look for our future vestrymen, wardens, restors, and bishops unless we continue our present policy of drawing largely from the denominations, reaching out beyond state lines and even international boundaries?"

If the religion of Jesus Christ is worth anything to you it is worth passing on to some one else. If it does not mean much to you it is time you got busy and received some good from it. The Bible Class is the best place for men to get together and talk over the matter and so every man of this neighborhood is asked to meet with us every Sunday and the results will be worth the effort.

C. H. J.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

On March 20th, the Chapter began a very instructive course in the "History of the Early Christian Church" under the direction of Mr. Gurley. Many persons have the idea that the study of history, church history in particular, is dry and uninteresting. If there are any men or older boys in this parish who care to prove this to be the case the members of the Chapter will be glad to meet them at the next meet-

ing, April 17th, when their defeat is assured. They may come in a fighting spirit but by the time Mr. Gurley puts in that half hour of talk and answers to questions, an invitation to go home will be more needed than on to come.

Dr. John Wilkinson, President of the Philadelphia Local Assembly, honored the Chapter with his presence and the only trouble with the evening was in its shortness. Time certainly does fly. That is one reason why we say "come and see." Remember the old adage "make hay while the sun shines." It is going to shine at the meeting on the 17th; so come around and enjoy it.

C. H. J.

A Way to Help the Rector

A Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Detroit, agreed among themselves that during the rector's private prayer, just before he mounted the pulpit to preach his sermon, each man in the Chapter would say a silent prayer for him and his sermon, that it might do the good for which it was intended.

Of course it helped the rector and it was retro-active for every man that prayed took a greater interest in the sermon as he had something invested in it.

Why can't the people of Christ Church do this and even more—pray for him every day? Not being a clergyman the writer cannot tell what the effect would be but no doubts are entertained as to the results. Ask the Rector with how much better heart he could work and preach if he knew that one hundred persons in the parish were remembering him in their devotions every day. Perhaps many have not done so because they have never thought of such a thing. One thing such prayer will do and that is it will give you less occasion for finding fault. Try it and see.

J.

Boys Brigade

The Boys' Brigade of Christ Church wishes to thank through the Christ Church "Chimes," Mr. Sutcliffe and those people who so kindly contributed to the work of the Brigade, thus showing their interest in its work and

giving the officers in charge as well as the other members some encouragement. It hopes that those who so kindly contributed will come and see how their contribution is being used.

On Saturday night, February 26, 1916, a Competitive Drill between the several Companies of Germantown, was held at the Advocate Church. Although this Company's attendance was excellent, the Company of the Advocate or Company "A" won the cup offered as a prize to the winner of the Company Competitive Drill. The Company at Christ Church rejoices to say that the cup offered as prize to the winner of the Individual Competitive Drill was won by one of its most promising non-commissioned officers, namely Corporal Fred Belfield.

To encourage these drills, a medal has been offered by one interested in the Brigades, to the one winning it the most number of times between January, 1916 to June 1916, and is only open to members of this Company at Christ Church. Three drills have thus far been held and have proved thrilling and exciting.

The winners of the drills, which are held the first Friday of each month, are as follows:

January—won by Private Manser

February—won by Private Carmint

March—won by Sergeant Simpson.

The cup which was won by this Company during camp last summer, held at Neshaminy Falls was presented on the night of Friday, March 3, 1916. This cup was offered as a prize by the Philadelphia Inquirer to the winner of the most number of baseball games during camp. On the same night the cup won by Corporal Fred Belfield at the Battalion Drill was also presented.

Since the last issue of the "Chimes" a change has taken place in the non-commissioned officer staff, namely, Sergeant Simpson has been relieved of the duty as First Sergeant and Battalion Sergeant Robinson has been temporarily appointed to fill this vacancy.

As an extra activity, the boys of the Brigade who have bicycles will take rides on Saturday mornings beginning with April 15, 1916. These rides will be held every other week and will

leave the Parish House at 9.00 o'clock sharp. It is expected to visit Valley Forge, The Navy Yard, Willow Grove, etc. Although this is not compulsory, a good many are expected to attend, and an invitation is extended to those who are not in the Brigade, but have wheels, to enjoy the outdoor pleasure.

Another one of the activities is the starting or rather continuing of the Brigade Band, as it has been started and is progressing fine. Any person over 12 years of age who has and can play any instrument is invited to join this Band.

A committee of three men in the church, have been voted to look after the condition and welfare of this organization. The committee consists of the following: Reverend Arndt, chairman, Mr. Baines, Mr. Sutcliffe and the Commanding Officer of the Brigade.

On May 29, 1916 the Brigade of Germantown will hold a field day at the Central High School Athletic Field, 29th Street and Cambria St. It will include many athletic events, such as tug-of-war, relay races, sack races, dashes, Competitive Drills, etc., for which cups and medals are offered as prizes to the winners.

The Basket Ball Team of this Company played Co. "A" of the Advocate Church on their floor and were victorious by the score of 19 to 15. Wagner, Marshall and Fred Belfield figured prominently in this game. But Alas! This team was defeated by Co. "B" of 2nd Presbyterian Church on the latter's floor. Although the Brigade of this church played well, the score at the end of the game stood 10 to 9 in the favor of our opponents. This event brought our basket-ball season to a close, and a baseball team is now being organized to heap more laurels on the numberless others the Brigade has in possession at this time.

On the first Friday of every month an inspection of this Company will take place. To this drill especially, those who are interested are invited to attend and see for themselves the work which the banners of the Boys Brigade of Christ Church stand for.

H. N. F.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild held its annual supper on Tuesday evening March 7th in the Parish House.

Everyone greatly regretted the absence of Mr. Arndt due to illness.

We were very glad to have Bishop Beecher with us. After supper, he gave us a very helpful talk and later showed us a great many pictures and told us of his work in the west.

All enjoyed the occasion and voted it a great success.

G. F. D.

Athletic Association

It will take quite a considerable sum to renovate our grounds and make needed repairs to the fences in order again to put our grounds in first class condition; and to keep them in that condition throughout the season.

It gives the Association great pleasure at this time to thank the persons who have very favorably returned the sustaining membership letters sent out

last month. Thanking in advance those who have not yet returned them, and joined our Association, but will do so in the near future.

We anticipate this to be our banner year, and we want every parishioner to become one of our members and active workers. Come, we invite all and will welcome you. If you do not play tennis, we have all other out door games on hand, and there will always be some game playing in which we want you to take part and enjoy yourself.

Memorial Day will be our formal opening day. There will be plenty of "eats," and playing games all day.

This will sure be some day of jollification; Don't miss it.

If this program of Memorial Day proves a success, and is agreeable to all, the committee in charge will arrange a similar program for all Saturday afternoons throughout the summer.

Good times for all of us, coming.

C. J. C.

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The Rector's Notes

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 } 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. }

The Ascension

Three great festivals of the Church Year fall, this year, in June; the Ascension, Whitsunday and Trinity.

The fortieth day after the Resurrection has arrived. Our Lord meets His chosen and leads them out beyond Bethany to the Mount of Olivet. For the last time the Master and His disciples walk along those familiar paths. He gives them final instructions concerning the things which pertain to the kingdom of God.

When He assembles them upon the mount, and overflowing with love for those whom He had chosen out of the world and for all who should believe on Him through them, He raised those precious hands in Divine blessing. Then the Son of Man and the Son of God rises by His own power up into the vault of heaven. Awe-struck, dumb with amazement, even the impulsive Peter finds no words to say. With outstretched hands in benediction upon the world that had rejected Him, a cloud receives Him out of their sight; and

still they gaze entranced in heart felt worship and lofty contemplation. Then angels sent back by the Triumphant King, announce to them that He who had promised to be with them to the end of the world and had bade them wait at Jerusalem for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, would Himself come again in like manner, that it with clouds and the angelic hosts.

And then the disciples, no longer doubting, but full of joy, knowing Christ no more after the flesh, but after the Spirit, returned to Jerusalem with the gentle and holy Mary to wait for the coming of the Paraclete.

Shall those who profess and call themselves Christians, on such a day, the day of our Lord's exaltation, fail to render Him His due worship? When angels, fall down and worship Him, shall we be unmindful of our holy obligation and privilege to adore Him, on this great festival, which the Church appoints in commemoration of His return to His throne of Glory?

Whitsun Day

Ten days after the feast of the Ascension comes Whitsun-day.

In this feast of the Holy Spirit, which is the birthday of the church, the culmination of our Lord's Incarnation is attained. He ascended that the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity might come and abide in His Church, uniting its members one with another, and all to the Great Head that we might be led into all knowledge, truth and holiness forever. For ten days after the Ascension the little company of believers, with the Holy Mother, waited in that upper room, in obedience to their Lord's command, spending the hours in prayer and supplication for the Promised Comforter. "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting." And then the cloven tongues, the supernatural utterances vouchsafed to all, the amazement of the beholders. St. Peter's sermon, the conviction of the hearers, the Baptism of the three thousand, all followed in quick succession. "The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world, and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice."

The Apostles are "endued with power from on high." What a contrast the betrayal, the cowardly denial and the forsaking of our Lord present when placed side by side with the intrepid conduct of the newly inspired Apostles! From that time they went forth, endued with supernatural power, to convert the world and through them we have been brought from darkness and error into the true light.

Loving, persuasive and tender is the ministry of the Spirit.

"His that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breath of even,
That checks each thought, that calms
each fear,
And speaks of heaven."

Sunday next after Whitsunday occurs the feast of the Holy Trinity.

Holy Trinity

On Trinity Sunday culminates the doctrinal half of the Church Year. The remainder of the year from now to Advent, the Church lays chief emphasis on the practical side of life. "Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God," are the opening words of the Epistle for the First Sunday after Trinity.

Hitherto the emphasis from Advent on has been on the "fundamentals of the faith,"—the Incarnation, the Resurrection, the Ascension, the coming of the Holy Spirit. On Trinity Sunday the Church's services mount up to the throne of the Godhead. In the word "Trinity," she simply sums up what is revealed concerning God—that in substance He is one, but in Person, three.

The reception of truth must be gradual. The Church leads us step by step from Advent to Trinity Sunday. In Advent is heralded the coming of the Son of God and we are taught to prepare for Him, "to make His ways straight;" at Christmas the heavenly host proclaims from the starry firmament the 'good tidings of great joy;" on Epiphany, the wise men came from afar, and the Christ is manifested to the Gentiles; through Lent we enter into our Saviour's Temptation; in Gethsemane we witness the Agony; on Good Friday we follow our Saviour to the Cross and see the Son of God suffer and die for us; on the glorious Feast of Easter we see Him rise triumphant from the grave; then for forty days after the Resurrection we follow Him as He teaches His disciples "things pertaining to the Kingdom of God;" then on Holy Thursday we are with the Apostles and behold His glorious Ascension into Heaven, there to sit on the right hand of the Father; while on Witsunday we are taught that the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth, has come to guide us into all Truth and to dwell in the Church and in our hearts forever!

Thus does the Church prepare us, step by step, for the glorious culmination of her teaching, enabling us to grasp by faith the mystery of the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Friday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—2d and 4th Tuesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—2nd Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.



Thank you so much for sending us into the Country!

Poor Children's Outing Fund

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on the third Sunday morning in June. This is one of the most worthy charities to which the people of Christ Church are privileged to give. For about \$2.50 one poor child can be taken from the hot street or alley into the country for a week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and receive good, wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom, for several years past, to secure from various organizations for the poor, the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portions of the city—in small dirty courts and narrow streets and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements are made for a week's outing in the country, and in some cases for a longer time. Occasionally a poor, over-worked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are asked to give and what a wonderful privilege it affords to persons, who are

blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for a rest and recuperation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in crowded courts and narrow streets and alleys.

The following letter received last summer from Comly B. Shoemaker, Esq., President of the Bedford Street Mission, which does splendid work for the poor in one of the most miserable parts of the city, shows how greatly appreciated was the contribution to the poor Children's Outing given last year by the people of this Church:

The following letter was received last June from the President of the Bedford Street Mission, Philadelphia:
June 30, 1915.

Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt:
My dear Mr. Arndt:—

I am this morning in receipt of your very kind letter and wish to thank you most kindly and most sincerely, not only for the liberal contribution which your church through your kind interest has sent us, but also for the very kind interest you have taken in visiting among the families of our district. Miss Boyd was recent-



Great sport! Won't you please send us again?

ly speaking of your having asked her for additional names and of your having been around in different directions. The manner in which you go into things is most encouraging and I sincerely wish others might be willing to do likewise.

Again thanking you, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely,

Comly B. Shoemaker.

Notice to All Societies

The Parish House is equipped with a full assortment of dishes to be used on occasions when refreshments or suppers may be served in the Parish House. From time to time these dishes have been used and have not been properly returned to their places. Many have been broken and not replaced.

The Rector has appointed Mrs. Thos. J. Reed and Mrs. Chas. Cotton, a committee to have sole charge of all articles in the kitchen. No person or Parish Society will be permitted to use the kitchen or the dishes without permission from this committee. There will be no exception to this rule.

The following number received the Holy Communion in Christ Church on Easter Day: At the 6.30 service 147 persons. At the 7.30 service 119. At the Mid-day service 138, making a total of 404. This is a large proportion of the Communicants on the list of the Parish. But the question is asked where were the remaining 248? Many were ill. To some of these the Rector administered the Sacrament in their homes. Others were out of town. It is hoped that they did not neglect their Easter Communion. But there were others, who were neither ill nor away!! Where were they? See St. Luke 14:18.

At the Easter Evening Carol Service a beautiful banner was presented to the Sunday School by the Women's Afternoon Bible Class. The banner is mounted on a staff, on the top of which is a cross.

The honor of carrying this banner into the Church at the Sunday School Christmas and Easter Service will be awarded each year to the boy who stand highest in his general average in the School.

Kalendar for June

June 1st—Ascension Day
 June 4th—Sunday after Ascension.
 June 11th—Whitsun Day.
 June 12th—Whitsun Monday
 June 13th—Whitsun Tuesday
 June 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th—Ember Days.
 June 18th—Trinity Sunday (St. Barnabas).
 June 24th—Nativity St. John Baptist
 June 25th—First Sunday after Trinity.
 June 29th—St. Peter.

This issue of the "Chimes" will be the last issue until September. All subscriptions end with this issue. Subscriptions and contributions for the publishing of the Chimes next year are solicited.

Services on Ascension Day

The services in Christ Church on Ascension Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Morning Prayer and Sermon at eleven o'clock. The offering at both services will be for Church work among the colored people of Philadelphia.

Services During the Summer

During the Rector's summer vacation the services at Christ Church will be in charge of the Rev. Henry B. Bryan, Dean of the Cathedral in the Diocese of Easton, Maryland. Dean Bryan formerly lived in Germantown and has many friends here who will be glad to welcome his return.

The Services in Christ Church during the summer will be at the usual hours, viz: Holy Communion, every Sunday morning at 7.30; also on the First Sunday in the month at 11.00 o'clock.

Morning prayer and sermon at 11.00.

Evening prayer, short address, at 7.45.

The Evening Prayer on Friday afternoons will be discontinued during July and August.

Dean Bryan will be ready at all times to respond to any calls for his services, if word is left at the Rectory.

The Summer Sunday School

The Sunday School will continue its session every Sunday morning, as usual, during the summer months. On account of the absence of some of the teachers the lesson will be taught from the desk. The session will be only one hour in length and the service will be hearty and interesting.

Our Sunday School room is wonderfully well ventilated, with five large windows, eight feet high, in the Primary room and twenty windows in the upper room. There is no cooler place in Germantown on a summer Sunday morning than Christ Church Sunday School. Come and see!

Confirmation

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church. After the confirmation the Bishop conducted a most helpful service, preparatory for the Easter Communion.

At this service a majority of the communicants of Christ Church were present. The following persons received the "Laying on of Hands."

Henry Driver Booth
 George Ellzey Case
 Jean Armour Collins
 Margaret Cowell
 Margaret Eleanor Dunlop
 Frances Brodie Glasgow
 Henry Lawrence Holcomb
 Sterling Amerling Hopper
 Edith Barstow Johnson
 Annetta Johnstone, (Mrs.)
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 Anthony Viehman Pickard
 Anna May Seltner
 Reuban Sands Streeper
 Elizabeth Frances Taylor
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Report of the Judges of Election

Germantown, Phila., April 24, 1916.

We, the undersigned duly appointed to act as Judges of an election held this day for five (5) Vestrymen of the Corporation known as "The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Penna." hereby certify that such an election was held this day between the hours of 5 and 6 o'clock P. M. according to notice duly given; that we attended thereat; that we received and counted all the votes at said election duly offered, and that the following named persons were duly elected:

For Three Year Term

J. M. Woodroffe
O. N. Middleton
R. H. Morris
Geo. T. Morgan

For two Years being Unexpired Term of Keith Rodney

U. G. Rowley

Signed:

F. M. Brigham
Arthur W. Hood

Judges of Election.

At the meeting of Vestry held on Easter Tuesday evening Mr. Francis B. Falkner was re-elected Secretary and Mr. J. I. Morrison was re-elected Accounting Warden. The Rector appointed Mr. James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden. The organization of the Vestry for 1916-1917 stands as follows:

Officers and Committees

Rector's Warden—J. M. Woodroffe
Accounting Warden—J. I. Morrison
Secretary—F. B. Falkner

Deputies to Diocesan Convention and**Delegates to Convention of Germantown**

Messrs. Potter, Woodroffe, Morris
Alternate Delegates to Convocation of Germantown

Messrs. Johnson, Falkner, Morgan.
Committees

Choir—Messrs. Rowley, Woodroffe, Morris.

Property—Messrs. Baine, Falkner, Middleton.

Finance—Messrs. Woodroffe, Johnson, Bains.

Sunday School—Messrs. Morgan, Middleton, Morris.

Lay Work—Messrs. Potter, Morris, Bains.

Every Member Canvas—Messrs. Cheston, Falkner, Morrison.

Missionary—Messrs. Morgan, Rowley, Cheston.

Subscribe Through the Envelopes

Now is the time for all persons who do not subscribe through the envelope system to begin their subscription. About one half of the members of the Parish are contributors to the expenses of the parish and to missions through the Envelopes System. **Every attendant at the Services of Christ Church** should sign a pledge card and receive a package of envelopes. Every member of every household—children and adults—should be an envelope subscriber. Everyone should be interested enough to do his or her share in the support of the work. There should be no shirkers. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the verger. Now is the time to begin!

Prayer Books and Hymnals for Strangers

A number of Prayer Books and Hymnals will be found in the pew near the west and south entrances. These books are intended for the use of visitors and strangers, who are invited to take them and use them. Regular attendants at the services should provide their own Prayer Books and Hymnals and bring them to each service, taking them home with them when they return.

Memorial Vases

Two beautiful brass vases for the altar were presented to Christ Church on Easter Day in loving memory of Mrs. Sarah A. Cooley, who entered into Life Eternal February 4th, 1916.

Boy's Brigade

The Boy's Brigade will go into camp on July 1st, for a week or ten days. The place of encampment has not yet been definitely determined. The camp will be in charge of Major Clark of the Germantown Battalion.

The Mother's Meeting

On May the second the Mother's Meeting held their last session of the season. As we look back on the past winter we feel that it has been a successful one.

Our offering to the Church at Easter was \$50.00. Six outfits for infants has been sent to the House of St. Michaels and All Angels—each outfit consisting of dresses, flannel petticoat and wrapper, shirts, etc. We have made and sold thirty-seven aprons, eighteen dozen towels, ten roller towels, eight rag rugs, five and a half yards of rag carpet, besides much partly worn clothing. The balance in our treasury is \$25.78.

Our usual Christmas dinner was given in January, twenty-four sitting down to the table. A special feature of this occasion was the gift, by the members of the Meeting to each of the two Directresses, of a beautiful chocolate pot, cups and saucers. The generosity of the women was much appreciated by the recipients.

On the first Tuesday of each month, ice cream and cake was very kindly provided by a friend of the Mothers, and on this day we tried to have some one from outside to talk to us on various subjects. One of the subjects was the Bishop's Brick Fund. Nine boxes were taken out and \$7.20 was returned for the Fund.

Our last festivity of the year was a Moving Picture Party. As many as could attended a presentation of "The Prince and the Pauper," and after the entertainment we all returned to the Rectory where refreshments were served.

We said "good-bye" to one another with the feeling that the past winter had been pleasant and profitable, and with the sincere hope that we would meet again in the fall.

I cannot close this article without mentioning our loss, in the death of Mrs. Kate Brooks, the oldest member of our Meeting. A faithful, efficient worker for forty years—always cheerful and bright, her loss is one which we feel most deeply.

H. M. F. A.

Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King have held their usual meeting during the year. We hold two meetings a month, one of which is for business,—the other a devotional meeting.

A number of hospital and Parish calls have been made, delicacies and flowers have been sent or taken to the sick and suffering, and various gifts of necessities have been sent to those in need.

Next winter we expect to take up a systematic arrangement of calling on the sick and strangers and in this way we hope to accomplish more than can be done in a desultory way.

Men's Bible Class

Wanted—Men for the Bible Class! This may sound like an advertisement; be it so. The Bible Class needs more men. You need the Bible Class. The Parish needs a Bible Class. You should not hold to the idea that Sunday School is for children only. A Bible Class should be one of the most important features of the Parish. One Sunday School in Germantown has over six hundred members, another raised their attendance to forty in one week. The success of a class does not depend entirely on those who are in it but also on those who are not in it.

We appeal to every man of the Parish to help this movement. You can help if you will be present. It is said that numbers do not count in some things; but in this case it will count through the influence it will exert over others. We have a capable teacher who is in a position, due to his connections at the Seminary, to give interesting instruction on the Bible. He has been taken away from us on several occasions to teach another class which has been a drawback to our progress. The other class did not need him as much as our class, but we are told that arrangements have been made whereby he will be with us permanently.

Remember 9.45 o'clock every Sunday morning.

In His name for His sake.

C. R. R.

Service and Meeting of Sunday School Teachers

A service and meeting of unusual importance to Sunday School Teachers and all interested in the religious instruction of the young will be held at Christ Church, under the auspices of the Germantown Department of the National Board of Religious Education on the even of Ascension Day, May 31.

There will be evening Prayer in the Church at five o'clock and an address by the Rev. John Mockridge, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Philadelphia. Immediately after this service supper will be served in the Parish House to all attending. A business meeting will be held in the Parish House at 7.45 followed by addresses by Mr. W. E. Gardner of New York, General Secretary of the Board of Religious Education and others.

An invitation is extended to all members of the Parish to attend the service at five o'clock and the evening meeting. All who wish to take supper in the Parish at 6.30 are requested to notify Mr. Edward Bains, 104 Harvey Street, Germantown.

Supper tickets are twenty-five cents each.

A Teachers' Training Class

It is with great satisfaction that the announcement is made that a Teachers' Training Class will be organized in Christ Church next fall under the competent leadership of a very able and efficient Bible Scholar, with wide experience as a teacher of teachers. The need of such a class has been realized for a long time in this Parish but it has been a problem to secure a person qualified for the position of leader. Now that such a person has been secured the opportunity should be improved by all who wish to receive instruction in the Bible and to be prepared for teachers.

The class will be organized in October. In the meantime all persons who wish thorough and systematic instruction in the Bible and be fitted to teach are invited to give their names to the Rector.

Definite arrangements as to dates of meetings, etc., will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

Names of Scholars Promoted

The following are the names of scholars promoted in the Sunday School. Their names were read out at the Sunday School Service held in the Church on Easter Evening.

Each scholar was presented with a diploma, certifying that he or she had passed a satisfactory examination:

Promoted from Primary Department into Intermediate.

Edwin Fenton
Helen Emily Cowell
Anna E. Hannon
Virginia Pettit
Anna Barney Robinson
Helen Dorothy Robinson
Ruth Margaret Robinson
Virginia Taft Stockwell
Elsie Rexter Wells
Katherine Lipphart Vandervort
Frederick Atkins
Chas. Buckenhorst
William Esola
Clarence Goddard
Jas. Gillingham
Robert Hance
Phillip Thacher Pfeiffer
John Stanford

Children promoted from Intermediate to Main School:

Elizabeth Ellis
Hilda Gray Ellis
Margaret Jane Hannon
Margaret Katherine Wells
Louisa Gertrude Wells
Elizabeth Frances Taylor
Katharine Wertsner
Elizabeth Adren Wertsner
Mary Esola
Helen McHenry
Eleanor Coyne
Elizabeth Long Belfield
Florence Kraft
Frank Farquhar Wells
Reuben Sands Streper
Richard Gregory Sutcliffe
Morton Johnson
Albert Raynor
Guy Wells
William Maxwell
Frederick Hocker
Kenneth Stoine
Charles Lamb
Daniel McHaughton
John McHenry
Thomas Broome Belfield

Easter Offering

The Easter offering amounted to about \$1250.00. Several conscientious persons, who were absent on Easter Day, have since sent their offering to the Warden. It is not yet too late for others who have not contributed to do the same.

THE DUPLEX ENVELOPE SYSTEM

The result of the operation of the "Duplex Envelope System" is very gratifying. The total Parish offerings for all purposes show a material increase over the old method, indicating the benefit derived from systematic weekly offering. The missionary offerings, while showing a marked increase over those during the same period of last year, call for more general and larger contributions in order that the Parish may meet its apportionment for General and Diocesan Missions of \$2400.00.

A majority of the pledges have been faithfully and regularly paid. There are, however, a number of cases where payments have been made for a few weeks or months and then discontinued, and without notice of revocation having been given. It may be well to note that the wording of the original pledge cards reads, "**This pledge, being purely voluntary, may be recalled at any time, by giving notice.**" Until such notice is given, the Accounting Warden has no option but to consider the pledge as in force, and the payments thereon in arrears, but to be paid at some later date. While the amount in aggregate is not large, yet it can be readily understood that, as a separate account is kept for each pledge just as much detail is involved in keeping record of the pledge for smaller as for larger accounts. It is, therefore, desirable that prompt attention should be given in any cases of arrears, or, if circumstances should arise making it necessary to recall the pledge, that due notice should be given.

It is hoped that everyone will do all he can to render the Envelope System fruitful of good, both to himself and to the Parish.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Christ Church Chapter is still continuing the study of "Early Church History" on the third Monday evening of each month under the leadership of Mr. Gurley. The only difficulty seems to be in the fact that every man in the Parish apparently, is fully conversant with the subject as no one outside the Brotherhood Chapter has accepted the invitation to attend the studies. Men! "Come early and often" will be a good slogan to follow and you will always find the latch-string out.

On the second Sunday morning of each month the Chapter holds its Corporate Communion service at 7.30. The Brotherhood hopes gradually to work up a Men's Service from this, whereby the men who are now faithful in their Communions will be able to arouse the careless to more regular attendance and the Parish as well as the men themselves be greatly helped. A hearty invitation is extended to all the male Communicants of the Parish to meet with the Chapter at this early Communion on the Second Sunday morning of each month.

C. H. J.

Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary has discontinued its meetings until October.

With the assistance of the orchestra of the Henry School an enjoyable evening was spent on May 10th. A play entitled "Troubles at Satterlee's" was given by a number of the Auxiliary while music and recitations completed the entertainment. The proceeds will be devoted to some worthy Missionary cause which will be announced at the fall meeting.

G. H. B.

Church Periodical Club

The Church Periodical Club held its annual meeting on Tuesday, May the second in the Parish House of St. James Church, 22nd and Walnut Sts. Bishop Rhinelander presided. This was the first public meeting the club had ever held. The clergy and their wives, the presidents of the Woman's Auxiliary of every parish were invited as well as the subscribing members.

Under the new arrangement with the Business Managers and the various committees, the work has increased amazingly. Christ Church today is sending out 115 magazines regularly, with 67 contributors; 469 books, 369 odd papers and magazines, 2003 Christmas and Easter cards, 203 picture cards and calendars, many toys and games and last but far from least, 2 Traveling Libraries as memorials—the last one is being sent by the Daughters of the King in memory of four of the members now in Paradise.

This is most encouraging, but what are these figures in comparison to the numbers of periodicals that are tossed aside by people in our own Parish, without a thought of the happiness they might bring. All who have papers or magazines to spare are requested to communicate with the Secretary.

Mrs. Topliffe Johnson,
Locust Ave., Gtn.

Junior Brotherhood

The Junior Brotherhood Chapter held a Corporate Communion last Sunday morning at which there were present six members. The following Monday night 12 members attended the special meeting when it was decided to enter a team in the Field Day events of Chestnut Hill held yesterday. As this issue will have gone to press before any results of that day's events can be related it is impossible to describe accurately the honors which the team has gathered from this occasion.

We would like to say, however, to those who seem to be afraid that the Chapter is being neglected—that we have twelve able-bodied members, three more coming in and are having more interest shown in the work and success of the Chapter by the boys themselves than at any time previous in the history of the Chapter.

We have held meetings regularly with the exception of the last one when we gave way to the Junior Auxiliary and helped support their play. The present Chapter has every promise of a very healthy growth for the coming year.

Athletic Association

The Athletic Association has two large events in prospect for the near future. First of all on Tuesday next, May 30th, will be held a Field Day. The program will begin promptly at 2.15 P. M. and will contain races and games for all who come, young and old. Obstacle—3 legged—and relay races will be among those on the program. At four o'clock an eight coples tennis match will be started and also at that time will be staged a play ground ball game between a girl's and a boy's team. At 5.30 P. M. will be a tug-of-war to finish off the day.

There is nothing to say now about the refreshments but those who come will find some pleasant surprises. So much for the Field Day.

On Friday, June 16th, the Big Lawn Party will take place. Among other things, there will be a fortune telling booth, a cake and candy booth and various fancy articles for sale. Refreshments will be in and around the grounds. Watch the bulletin boards for further accounts. Tickets including refreshments, will be 15 cts. apiece. They go on sale on Thursday, June 2nd. The grounds only hold a certain number of people so get in line early for your tickets.

All members of the Association are urged to attend a general meeting of the Association on Monday night, June 12th.

Woman's Auxiliary Board of Missions of Christ Church met in the Parish House on Thursday May the 4th at 10.30. This being the last meeting of the season, no special speaker was asked to address the meeting. The entire time being spent in planning how was the best way to distribute the money collected and especially how to interest the women in the Parish more deeply next year in the missionary spirit of the church. Thus the meeting closed with the earnest hope and prayer that each woman in the parish would remember that she was a baptized member of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The American Church

"It is interesting to note that the men who took the most prominent part in the political and military affairs attending the founding of our country were for the most part Episcopalians. Some of the statesmen of our Church were as follows:

George Washington, first President, leader of Revolution.

George Mason, author of Virginia Rights Bill 1776.

Thomas Jefferson, author of Declaration of Independence.

Patrick Henry, orator of the Revolution.

James Madison, Father of the U. S. Constitution.

John Marshall, interpreter of Constitution. Chief Justice.

Alexander Hamilton, great Federalist.

Richard Henry Lee, who proposed in Congress the resolution of Independence.

Peyton Randolph, President of First Congress.

Robert Livingston, who in 1764 organized opposition to Stamp Act.

C. C. Pickney, who cried "Millions for defence; but not one cent for tribute."

John Morton, whose vote committed Pennsylvania to the Revolution.

Caesar Rodney, whose vote committed Delaware to the Revolution.

Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution.

There were many more Episcopalians among the framers of the Constitution and the signers of the Declaration of Independence than members of all other religious bodies combined. This is shown as follows:

Of the framers of the Constitution of the United States:

Twenty-five were Episcopalians; five were Congregationalists; five were Presbyterians; two were Roman Catholics; one was a Quaker; one was a Methodist.

Of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence there were:

Thirty-four Episcopalians; thirteen Congregationalists; five Presbyterians; two Quakers; one Romanist; one Baptist."

Girls' Friendly Society

The "G. F. S." Society have closed their meetings for the summer after a rather successful winter's work. We all attended the Annual service at Holy Trinity Church. The sight of so many is most inspiring, the different branches met in the Parish House on 20th Street and marched to the church, carrying banners, the church was almost filled and I know that everyone who attended must feel what a wonderful society was represented. Bishop Rhinelander preached the sermon, again reminding us what our Christian life meant. We expect to enjoy some picnics this summer and we should be very glad indeed to have other girls in the church join us.

P. M.

TELEPHONES

The following Generals of the Revolution were Episcopalians:

Washington, Muhlenburg, Nelson, Howard, Smallwood, Sullivan, Cobb, Morgan, Lewis, Briarly, Ross, Cadwalader, Wayne, Sumpter, Moultrie, Gwynedd Jones, Walton, Alexander Hamilton and John Laurens, commander and leader of the storming of Yorktown.

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Rector Emeritus, REV. JOHN B. FALKNER, D. D.

LAY ASSISTANT

Mr. Richard H. Gurley

Parish Visitor, MRS. LAURA H. DAYTON

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
 } 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. }

Consecrated Service

Vacations are over. The activities of the parish, which were suspended for the summer, are now resumed. Another year with all its wonderful opportunities is open before us. It beckons us onward. What a privilege it is to accept the opportunities which God offers us—to say "Lord here am I. Use me!"

The Rector wishes that he might see every member kneeling before the altar, there to dedicate themselves anew, to offer themselves, their souls and bodies, a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice unto God; no idlers, no shirkers—all workers—workers together with God. Let us pray that God, the Holy Ghost may come with power into each life—that the indifferent may be aroused from their lethargy, that the fallen may be lifted up, that the weak may be made strong, that the faithful may be given patience, courage and trust; that all may be filled with the love of Christ which constraineth to a service unrelpit, consecrated and holy.

Rector's Office Hours

Attention is called to the Rector's Office Hours at the top of this page. If

persons, wishing to see him, will kindly confine themselves as far as possible to these hours, he will be greatly obliged. In cases of sickness, death or other importance, the Rector may be seen at any time. He will be at home at the Rectory on Saturday evenings and will always be glad to receive callers at that time.

The Rector desires to direct attention of every member of the Parish to the imperative need of extending the Envelope System of Giving to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. A healthy Parish is one in which every one is interested in its work and welfare, and every one helps in its support, according to their ability. No honorable person wishes another to pay his obligation. A Christian man or woman esteems it a privilege to give as much as possible to the cause of Christ and His Church. Many faithful and conscientious persons in this parish recognize this Christian duty and privilege and do give liberally, not alone to the support of the Parish, but also to its many philanthropies. But there is a large number of persons who are not sharing in this privilege, or, if they are, it is sporadically and not in a regular, systematic way.

The income is, therefore, uncertain and variable. The Parish is required, not only to meet its current expenses but also is expected to give a minimum amount to certain stated objects outside the Parish, such as "the Missionary Apportionment," Germantown Convocation," Episcopal and Convention Fund," "Sustentation Fund." It is also privileged to give, on stated Sundays in the year, offerings to the "Aged and Infirm Clergy," "Episcopal Hospital," the "Poor of the Parish," the "Support of the Sunday School," and to other worthy objects. These charities depend entirely for their support upon the offerings made by attendants at the services of the Church.

The Rector's Automobile

While the Rector was away on his summer vacation a number of friends in the Parish very kindly purchased for him an automobile. Now an automobile is something that the Rector has needed very much in his Parish work but he had never dared to hope that he would ever possess one. He was careful not to intimate that he wanted one but his friends must have read his mind and great was his delight, when he returned from his vacation, to be informed that a machine had been ordered for him.

This is only one more of many acts of thoughtfulness and consideration that the parishioners of Christ Church are continually meeting out to him. He cannot find words to express his appreciation. He certainly can never repay them for all their kindness. He has not been shown the list of names of these kind friends who have made this gift possible. He wishes that he knew every contributor that he might thank each one personally. Since he is not allowed to see the list he begs that each one who so kindly contributed will accept his profound thanks for their thoughtfulness and generosity and believe that he deeply appreciates this great kindness in presenting him a gift that will be of so much service in his Parish work.

During the Rector's summer vacation the services in Christ Church were in charge of the Rev. Henry B. Bryan, formerly Dean of the Cathedral in the diocese of Easton. Dean Bryan is a strong and illuminating preacher and his sermons during the summer were most helpful. His Sunday evening addresses on Panama, in which district he served for a time as Archdeacon, were very interesting. The Rector desires to express to Dean Bryan his own appreciation and also the appreciation of the members of Christ Church, not alone for his able sermons and addresses but especially for the spiritual ministrations he rendered to the sick in the Parish and to those whose homes were visited with sorrow during the past summer.

Friday Afternoon Service for Prayer and Intercessions

The service of Evening Prayer has been resumed on every Friday afternoons at five o'clock. During the coming winter, in addition to the Evening Prayer, special intercessions for Peace among the nations, for the sick and those in affliction in the Parish, for those who have fallen away from their religion, and for any special needs which persons in the Parish may wish to present to the Throne of Grace.

Any one who desires special prayer for themselves, for their children or for friends are invited to make their requests known to the Rector.

It is hoped that more people in the Parish will avail themselves of this short evening service on Friday afternoons.

The Church Pension Fund

It is well known that the Church is endeavoring to raise, by a general and systematic effort in all the dioceses, five million dollars as a Permanent Fund, the interest of which shall be used to pension the aged and Infirm clergy of the Church.

No object appeals more strongly to every fair minded man and woman than this Fund for the care of those in old age who have given their years in an unselfish service of the church.

Within less than a year three million dollars have been pledged toward this Fund.

It is confidently expected that the remaining two million will be pledged before March 1st, 1917, the date set for the conclusion of the campaign. It must be evident, however, that in the collection of the \$3,000,000 a large percentage of those most able to give large sums have been approached.

In securing \$2,000,000, each individual member of every parish must be given an opportunity to contribute.

A committee, therefore, in every parish is requested to interest every member in raising the remaining \$2,000,000.

This amount is to be raised both by cash contributions and by pledges, payment of which may extend over one, two, three, four or five years.

A committee appointed by the Rector will present this worthy object to the parishioners of Christ Church and ask for their pledges sometime during the early winter.

Every one will want to assist in some way in making possible a Pension Fund for the Aged and Infirm Clergy of the Church. The definite plan to be pursued will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

The spirit of sacrifice and devotion actuating the contribution to the \$5,000,000 Reserve Fund is indicated by the following note, recently received by Bishop Lawrence:

"I am a member of the Curtis Home and have been for a number of years, and I do not receive a regular income, unless the \$1 per month, which the trustees allow each one of us can be called such. Therefore, I am afraid the small amount I can afford to send to

the Pension Fund will be like a drop in the bucket, but I do feel as if I would like to help in so laudable a cause, and will send 30 cents. I wish it might be more and I hope it may be acceptable to the Lord and to you."

Bishop Lawrence in replying said:

"You will permit me to say that your gift is one of the most gratifying that we have received on account of the sacrifice and interest that it represents. It is also one of the most helpful in raising \$5,000,000, for I am sure that the story of your gift will induce many Churchmen and Churchwomen to give thousands of dollars in the desire to reach the same level of interest that you have shown."

All Saint's Day

November 1st—Services, Holy Communion 7.30 and 11.00 a. m.

Lord, where Thou art our Holy Dead must be,
Unpierced, as yet, the Sacramental mist;
But we are nearest them and nearest Thee
At solemn Eucharist.

O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee,
For those who made the earthly home so fair;
How little we may know, how little see,
Only—that Thou art there.

Dear hands unclasped from ours are clasping Thee;
Thou holdest us for ever in Thy Heart;
So close the One Communion—are we
In very truth, apart?

Lord, where Thou art our happy Dead must be;
And if with Thee, what then their boundless bliss!
Till faith be sight; and Hope, reality;
Love's Anchorage is this.

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901)
Rector's Warden

J. I. Morrison (1913)
Accounting Warden

Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
W. G. Rowley (1915)
Alexander R. Cheston (1914)
Edward Bains (1914)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies
Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club—3rd Friday.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—Every Thursday, 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

A New Course of Lessons for the
Sunday School

There has been introduced this Fall into our Sunday School a new series of Bible Lesson Studies. It is called the **Christian Nurture Course** and is adapted to all ages of children from three years old up to the age of men and women.

The course is published under the direction of the General Board of Religious Education and is the most comprehensive and complete system of religious instruction that has been set forth by our Church.

It sets forth a thorough and systematic instruction of the Bible and the Teachings of the Church and is based upon the modern and best approved methods of education.

Our Sunday School is divided into four grades: The First Department, or Primary School, is composed of two grades, viz: the lower grade consisting of little folks, from four to six years of age, and the upper grade composed of children from six to ten. The Junior Department (hitherto known as the Intermediate School) is composed of children from ten to fourteen years of age. The Senior Department consists of scholars from fourteen to eighteen years old. the Graduate Department from eighteen years of age upward.

Each Department is separated from the other, has its special course of lessons and an independent corps of teachers. The scholar is expected to progress from one department of the school to the other.

A very important feature of this new course of study is the Parents' Home Co-operative System, whereby the parents of each scholar are given an opportunity to assist their children in the preparation of their Bible Lessons and thus establish a co-operation between teachers and parents. This important part of the system will appeal to all conscientious parents who wish their children to have a definite and an intelligent understanding of the Bible and the Teachings of the Church.

It is hoped all parents of scholars in our School will co-operate with the teachers of their children and thus help to make the religious instruction of the

children both thorough and effective.

This feature will also prove interesting and instructive to the parents themselves.

There have been several meetings of the Teachers held this fall and the new course has been fully discussed. All who have had an opportunity to examine into the subject recognize the superior merits of the new course and have enthusiastically entered into its support.

It will take some little time, of course, for the new system to be generally and thoroughly established throughout all Departments of the School, but with the hearty co-operation of the teachers and the parents of the children this may shortly be accomplished.

Parents who send their children to Christ Church Sunday School may be assured that they will receive a systematic and thorough course of instruction in the Bible and teachings of the Church by a conscientious and efficient corps of teachers.

Persons in the Parish who wish to assist in the Sunday School will be cordially welcomed and are invited to give their names to the Rector.

The Sunday School meets in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 9.45. The Men's Bible Class at ten o'clock.

The Women's Bible Class, taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, has resumed its sessions and meets in the Parish House Sunday afternoons at three o'clock.

A Combined Sunday School Service
to be Held in Christ Church

The Sunday Schools of St. Peter's Church, St. Michael's Church, Church of the Epiphany, St. Thomas' Church and Christ Church will hold a united Sunday School Service in Christ Church on the First Sunday in Advent, December 3rd, at three in the afternoon.

The Sunday School will march in procession from their churches and assemble in its own Parish House. From here they will proceed into the Church. It is expected that the Bishop of the

Diocese, the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhineland-er, will be present on this occasion and give an address.

At a similar service held in Christ Church last Advent it was estimated that more than a thousand scholars of the combined schools were present.

Parents and friends of the Sunday School are cordially invited to be present at the service to be held on the first Sunday in Advent.

A Private Kindergarten

A First Grade and Private Kindergarten, under the charge of Miss Louise Dietz, has been opened in Christ Church Parish House. Miss Dietz is a college graduate with ten years experience in Kindergarten work.

The sessions are held every morning, except Saturday, from nine to one o'clock. Private instructions are given in the afternoons. Miss Dietz will be pleased to meet parents, who wish to enroll children in the Kindergarten or for private instruction, any morning, except Saturday, at nine o'clock in the Parish House.

Envelope Subscribers

Subscriptions through the envelope system, who have been away during the summer, are very generally paying the amounts that they have omitted giving during their absence. It is very gratifying to the Warden to receive these arrears as he depends upon them to meet his financial obligations.

It is hoped that all subscribers who may be in arrears will kindly make them up at their earliest convenience.

Subscribers to the Chimes

The following list of names of persons who have sent in their subscriptions to date for the Christ Church Chimes. Many of them have also given an extra contribution to help pay for the publication. About twice as many names will be needed to pay for the publication for the year. It is hoped that persons who have not yet subscribed for the Chimes will do so at once. Money may be sent to Mr. Richard H. Gurley, 257 Harvey Street or to the Rector.

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Christ Church Choirmaster

Mr. Owen J. W. Burness has been chosen organist and Choir Master of Christ Church and has entered upon his duties. Mr. Burness has had a long experience with Church Choirs as a organist and choirmaster, and the congregation of Christ Church may expect the best Church music under so efficient a master.

The General Convention of the Church

The great triennial event in the American Church, the meeting of its General Convention, convened in the city of St. Louis on Wednesday, Oc-

tober 11th, and will probably continue in session for some three weeks. The place of meeting is chosen in honor of the approach of the fiftieth anniversary of the consecration of the Bishop of the Diocese of Missions, Dr. Samuel Sylvester Tuttle, who is also Presiding Bishop of the American Church. He is 79 years of age, yet four of his brethren of the Episcopate are still older. None, however, has been a Bishop as long as he—for 50 years—and no other member of either house of General Convention has sat in so large a number of sessions of that body.

The General Convention of the American Church is composed, like the American Congress, of an upper and lower house, the House of Bishop and the House of Deputies. The former body is composed of the Bishops of this Church, from all the dioceses and missionary districts of this country and from our foreign districts and from our island possessions and Alaska. They are a body of men second to none in this country in influence and ability.

The lower house, or House of Deputies, is composed of four clerical and four lay deputies representing each of the sixty-eight dioceses of the Church, while the twenty-three domestic missionary districts are each represented by one clerical and one lay delegate, each of whom has a quarter vote wherever the vote is called by "dioceses and orders"; and each of the nine foreign districts is entitled to one clerical and one lay delegate, who do not vote when the vote is taken by dioceses and orders.

While in precisely its present form General Convention is peculiar to the American Church, in principle it has abundant precedent extending through all the ages of Christian history. The House of Bishops is the counterpart of the Upper House of Convocation in England. The body of clerical deputies represents the Lower House of Convocation, while the body of lay deputies continues the function of the British Parliament insofar as it has ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and goes back to earlier centuries in England in that, where Parliament no longer consists of representatives who are Churchmen,

the House of Deputies does. The House of Deputies in General Convention, and the American Congress, divide between them the functions of the British House of Commons.

The House of Deputies include among the clerical members many clergymen distinguished as theologians as sociologists, and as educators.

Among the lay members of the lower house could be mentioned some of the most prominent jurists, scholars and men of affairs in the country.

The General Convention of the American Church is one of the most notable gatherings of men of ability and prominence in the land.

May the Holy Spirit guide and lead them in all their deliberations during the coming week.

Let every member of our parish pray the Prayer set forth in our Prayer Book:

Almighty and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Councils of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world; We beseech thee to be present with the Council of thy Church assembled in thy Name and Presence. Save them from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to direct, sanctify, and govern them in their present work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death; till at length the whole of thy dispersed sheep, being gathered into one fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life; through the merits and death of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Women's Auxiliary Meeting in Christ Church

The all day meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Germantown and Chestnut Hill, more properly known as "Bishop's Day," will be held at Christ Church, Wednesday, November the 15. Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon by the Bishop at 10.30.

Intercessions at 12.

Luncheon served in the Parish House 1 to 2.

Afternoon Conference from 2.30 to 4.30
Address: "Missions at the Convention" by Rev. James B. Halsey, St. Timothy's

Roxborough, (one of the delegates to the Convention.)

Question Box in charge of the Bishop. All questions must be in the hands of Mrs. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., not later than November the 10th as they have then to be forwarded to the Bishop.

This is the first time our Parish has had the privilege of holding this all day meeting and it is hoped it will be made a memorable occasion. This can be readily accomplished by the united effort and interest of the women of the Parish. All women in the Parish are cordially invited to attend the service and conference. Keep this date before you, Wednesday, November 15, 1916.

Daughters of the King Convention

The Triennial Convention of the Daughters of the King meets in St. Louis, at the same time as the General Convention of the Church.

Mrs. Arndt, who is a member of the National Council of the Order, is attending the Convention as the representative of Christ Church Chapter.

On Monday, November 6th, a reception will be tendered to Mrs. Berger, the Diocesan delegate to the Convention and to Mrs. Arndt, the National Treasurer of the Order in the Church of the Redemption, 56th and Market streets. At this meeting reports of the Convention will be made.

The New Bible Class

The Men's Bible Class of this Church desires through the columns of the Chimes to issue an invitation to all male members of this Parish to unite with the class and help in every way possible to extend what now promises to be a successful work.

This is more than an invitation—it is an exhortation—based on the ground that work so necessary to the welfare of the religious life of the Parish deserves the earnest co-operation of every man who has or has had any relations with the religious activity here. It is not enough to stand off and say that prospects are promising and all seems well. What the class wants is for each man to join himself and

then go out and get another man. With work done in this spirit, the present building would not hold the crowd which would come.

Sunday, Oct. 1st, we had 56 men present. There are besides these, over one hundred and fifty men in this neighborhood who may in all fairness be considered eligible for membership in this class. But these men are not going to make the class a present of their attendance. They must be sought after. And one man or two men cannot cover the list. It is by the universal interest and co-operation of the men who are recognized in the community as definitely and openly a part of Christ Church—it is by means of their openly evidenced and earnest co-operation that this class will obtain a position of strength and permanence second to that of no other Bible Class in this city.

The opportunity truly, at this time, is great. Let every loyal male parishioner realize that it is his opportunity and make the most of it.

The Bible Class here is pursuing a course of study on the general topic—"The Bible Library—A study of the Books." The class meets every Sunday morning at 9.45 A. M. in the gymnasium of the Parish Building. All men are cordially welcome. It will pay you to pay us a visit.

R. H. G.

A Class in Art and Nature Study for Young People

Miss Mabel P. Taylor has resumed, in the Parish House, the classes in Art Real Manual Training and Nature Study,—Method of J. Liberty Ladd, Ph. D.

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the hands intelligent agents of the mind.

This class in Art, Manual Training and Nature Study is a great opportunity afforded to boys and girls in this vicinity, and parents of children are invited to communicate on the subject with Miss Mabel P. Taylor, 7 West Tulpehoeken St. The class meets on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons of each week in Christ Church Parish House.

Church Periodical Club

The winter season is close upon us and as you make your arrangements of current reading matter, to while away the hours before your cheerful fire and in your cozy, snug libraries do not forget the lovers of books that are in far-away places where reading matter is scarce and money scarcer. With each subscription you take send word to the librarian of Christ Church Periodical Club for an address to which you may pass along your magazine after you have finished reading it to some one else, less fortunate than you.

Will not the members of Christ Church, who are willing to send their papers and magazines to persons who are deserving and will appreciate them, please communicate with the undersigned, who will gladly furnish addresses where the magazines may be sent.

Mrs. Topliffe Johnson,
430 Locust St., Gtn.

Boys' Brigade

The Boys' Brigade desires to call the especial attention of the members of this Parish to two matters.

First—that the local Brigade is an organization primarily for the boys of this Parish that it has survived when other organizations have perished by the wayside—that, though small in numbers each boy is in it for the success of the organization—the right spirit existing in every member and being worthy of every encouragement from the adults of the parish.

Second—Because of the indifference to the work of this organization in the past—the boys have been compelled to get along and meet expenses as best they could. The present indebtedness of the organization is the result of this fact. The extermination of this debt will add new life, interest and vigor to the work of the Brigade this Winter.

Now, how can we help them? On Friday, November 17th, next the boys will be in charge of a supper to be given under the auspices of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brigade. This supper the cost of which will be fifty cents a plate, will be something novel here. All material for it, food, table supplies, etc., will be supplied free of cost to the Brigade. Their expenses will be exactly \$5.00. All above this from the sale of the tickets will be profit for the Brigade. With a fair support from the adults of this Parish—the Brigade will be enabled to pay all arrears and have a substantial sum for the deserved development of their work here.

Let's set aside the date (Nov. 17th) and when the tickets are offered for sale by the boys of the Brigade—substantially pledge our interest and encouragement in a way that will enable this work to develop, as it should and thus encourage the leader of it as he should be encouraged.

We all know that the boy of today is the man of tomorrow." Your help in this work will make the boy a man worth while. Such men will be of unquestionable value to the interest of Christ Church, both spiritual and material in the coming years.

If you want to see the why and wherefore of this argument come around to the Parish House any Monday night at 8.00 o'clock and watch the Brigade at their work.

H. F.

The Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting resumed its session on Tuesday, October 10th. It was pleasant to welcome some new members. Some of the old members, who were not present, were very much missed.

These meetings are intended for busy women whose time is engaged during the week. They get away from their work for a part of an afternoon each week and enjoy a pleasant two hours' together. New members will be cordially welcomed. Tuesday afternoon in the Parish House at half past two.

Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly Society has begun its weekly meetings and winters' work.

The meetings are held every Tuesday evening in the Parish House at eight o'clock. All girls in the Parish are invited to join the G. F. S. and to share in the pleasant evenings held each week. Miss Phylis Morgan is the Branch Secretary of the Society in Christ Church.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Three "red letter days" stand out before the men of this Parish who are interested in, or have a desire to learn of, the single duty and privilege which confronts any and every man who has joined forces with the Church militant.

The first of these days is October 26th when a meeting of the Local Assembly of the Brotherhood will be held in St. Andrew's Church, 8th and Spruce St., at 8 P. M. This is for the purpose of hearing from prominent men who attended the Annual Convention

of the Brotherhood at Cleveand, October 4th-8th.

On December 2nd—afternoon and evening—the Annual meeting of the Local Assembly will be held in St. Matthew's Church. This is a meeting at which the work in our own Diocese is discussed and reported on and more will be said of it in a later issue of the Chimes.

First Sunday in Advent, December 3rd, there will be held in practically every Church in this Diocese a Corporate Communion of the men of each Parish at the early celebration, 7.30 A. M. This is not an occasion when an attempt is made to get all the male communicants out to make a big show. This is a time when every man who knows from personal experience the blessings which come through this Sacrament desires to be present when a number of other men are communing, because he knows that in union there is strength and the good he receives by himself will be greatly multiplied when he partakes with other men imbued with the same purpose.

Junior Brotherhood

Wednesday, Oct. 25th is the day set for the first meeting of the Junior Brotherhood this Fall. Let every member of last year mark this day on his calendar and make it a point to be present. The meeting will be at 8.00 P. M. sharp in the Parish House.

Plans will then be made for the party which the chapter is to give the second Friday in November. Those who had a part in the very delightful party the Brotherhood gave last Spring will not need to be urged to be present Wednesday night, the 25th, the meeting at which the final arrangements for the party will be made.

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Advent

The name itself comes from the Latin *Adventus*, which means "coming," and was quite appropriate for that season which marked the time of the coming of our Lord in human flesh. It was but natural that one of the prominent thoughts of the season should be of the second coming, and this has now become conventional. It is in this way that the *Dies Irae*, one of the greatest hymns of the Church, has come to be particularly associated with this season.

The custom of dating the beginning of the ecclesiastical year from the first of Advent is at least 1200 years old, for it is so noted in a Gallican Lectionary of the eighth century.

To Churchmen there is one pertinent call of the Advent season. In the present days of religious indifference it is too easy to view Christmastide as a time of mere secular rejoicing, a time of emulation in gifts, and the contracting of extravagant and unwarrantable bills. Advent reminds the Churchman that the dominant note of Christmas is the commemoration of the Incarnation of our Blessed Lord, that the function of the feast is primarily spiritual, and that this fact is of such great

importance that four whole weeks are given to the children of the Church to prepare themselves properly for its due celebration.

Advent is the beginning of the Christian Year. Such is the beauty and symmetry of the Christian Year, that all the events of our Lord's life and all the doctrines necessary for the soul's salvation are, in it, yearly presented to the heart and the minds of her children by our Spiritual Mother, the Church. As the season of Advent recurs, the teachings concerning our Lord's appearing come with new power. We daily pray, "Thy kingdom come," in the Lord's Prayer and express our belief in His Second Coming, in our Creeds, and when the Holy Eucharist is offered, the priest says: "and did institute, and in His Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of that His Precious Death and Sacrifice, until His coming again" and thus we are constantly reminded of that glorious day; yet, the church in an special way, emphasizes at this season the Second Advent of our Lord.

It is in accord with our Lord's own words: "Watch, therefore, for ye know not when the Master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly, He find you sleeping."

To meditate upon this subject during this season of Advent, to use it, as the Apostles used this hope, as an incentive to purity of mind and heart, to brotherly love and deeds of kindness and charity, will prepare us to receive our Lord when we present ourselves before His Altar on the morning of Christmas Day, the Day of His Nativity.

Christmas Giving and Buying

It not unfrequently happens that the spirit of the world seizes upon Christian festivals and perverts them from their original purposes and to some extent makes them evils rather than the unmingled blessings they were intended to be. Holy days have too often become mere holidays and anything but holy to many of those observing them. Christmas has suffered especially through the exaggerated development of the originally harmless custom of exchanging gifts at that season, which has now reached the point where the custom has become a burden to many, giving pleasure neither to the giver nor the recipient, and, because of the tendency of the great majority of shoppers to put off their purchases until the last day or hours, Christmas has become for the shopkeepers and their employes the most dreaded season of the year. It is certainly lamentable that the observance of the anniversary of the coming of God's Son to earth, as a pledge of God's good will to men should bring anything but peace and joy to any of His children, and as the Episcopal Church in this country has had more influence than any other religious body in preserving the festival of Christmas and bringing about its general observance, (not any of the denominations, a generation ago, held religious observance of Christmas) the Church should take the lead in all proper efforts

to make Christmas a religious festival, a happy time for all and a hard time for none. Two movements deserve the support of Church people, that represented by the Society for Preventing Useless Giving at Christmas, and the "Shop Early" movement. The latter movement accomplished a great deal last Christmas in lightening the labors of thousands of sales people, and should accomplish even more this year, not only in the great cities, but in the smaller towns as well. To endeavor to bear one another's burdens is to fulfill the law of Christ.

An Organized Historic Church—The Divine Plan

The religion of Christ is essentially and primarily a brotherhood, a Church. The Mohammedans venerate a Book, a Bible, the Koran. The Buddhists believe in a method. But Christians are primarily and essentially members of a family, united in Christ, in a visible kingdom, a Church; and the Christian Bible is not a fetich, to be worshipped for itself—but chiefly valuable as the charter and constitution of the Church. "The Church to teach, the Bible to prove"—that is the rule of faith.

Thus Christianity is a social system, the family of God, and this corresponds with the law of nature, with the revealed method of Christ, and with the principle of the Incarnation.

(1) It is a law of nature that man is a member of a community. He realizes his individuality only by and through his relation to society. The isolated individual is not moral. It is only when he comes into relation with others—in a family, a community, a city, a nation, that he becomes a moral being. Even the Christian's God is a social God—Three Persons in One God—; and St. Paul tells (Ephes. 4:13) that the "perfect man" is to be realized, not by the individual, but by the whole Church. This is a truth most important for our time.

(2) The method of Christ in the Gospels is to create first of all a new and distinctive society in the world, to be the nucleus of His Kingdom. We can

see the beginnings of its organized form, as when we read (Luke 6:13), "He called unto Him disciples, and of them He chose twelve, whom He also named Apostles." Thus Christ approved of the distinction between Clergy and Laity in the Church. So He declares the building of His Church (Matt. 16:17), and its permanence; and describes it in His parables. It was to be like a net cast into the sea, and like a field sown with tares and wheat, containing both good and bad in this world. This Church idea is the theme of St. Paul's great Epistles to the Ephesians and the Epistles of Timothy and Titus are full of it; and the First Epistle to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 5:12), takes for granted the distinction between "those within" and "those without" the Church, just as St. Paul said (1 Cor. 12:12; Gal. 3:27), to be baptized "into Christ" is to be baptized "into the Body," i. e., the Church. The testimony of all early Christian writers is practically unanimous in favor of this conception of Christianity as primarily a Church, and not as the worship of a book, or the observance of a method, or a summary of doctrine. That kind of individualism, which says that the Church exists only as a union of believers, as if it could be constituted by individuals coming together and uniting themselves into a society, does grave injustice to the New Testament. The Church originated not in the will of man, but in the will of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Church has a reality of its own, independent of the individual members, for

(3) The principle of the Incarnation is that Christianity is not merely a moral standard, it is not a mere revelation of truth. It is both of these, but it is more. It is the bringing in of new life, the communication of power, "I came," He said, "that ye might have life; and that ye might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). That is the justification of the Church, the Sacraments, the Ministry, aye, of the architecture, the music, the liturgical beauty and richness of the historical services of the Church. They all contribute to the fulness of the life in Christ.—Bishop Gailor.

Parish Register

Baptisms

"Received into the Congregation of Christ's flock, and signed with the sign of the Cross."

Oct. 1—Robert Morrison Pullman
Oct. 22—Frederick John Wells
Oct. 29—Donald Barrington Pritchard
Nov. 12—Ralph James Megargee
Nov. 12—Joseph Meehan Baxter
Nov. 12—Adalyn Edith Reckard
Nov. 19—Dorothy Drayton Smith

Marriage

Until Death us do part.

Oct. 18—Finn Hannevig-Laila O. Norbom.

Burials

"Looking for the General Resurrection and the Life of the World to come through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Sept. 19—Clara Fulton Conover
Sept. 22—Annie Elizabeth Forsyth
Oct. 27—Mary Jane Connor
Nov. 15—Maria Hurst

Thy Peace

"Lord of the living and the dead,
In whom our loved ones still abide;
'Neath us thine arms of comfort spread
And draw us closer to Thy side.
And while we lean upon Thy breast,
Enlarge our hope, increase our faith;
And whisper of that perfect rest—
That endless life that follows death.

"Who in the Cross of Jesus trust,
But fall asleep, they cannot die;
And while we mourn above their dust
They dwell with Thee, dear Lord, on high!
In Thine own presence grant them rest,
And, from the radiance of Thy throne,
Shine on them, Lord, and make them blest;
For Thou hast claimed them for Thine own."

The reason why the sermon does not benefit some people is that they are planning for Mondays work during sermon time.

Parish Notes

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Christ Church Club—3rd Friday.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for December

Dec. 3rd—First Sunday in Advent
Dec. 10—Second Sunday in Advent
Dec. 17—Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 21—St. Thomas
Dec. 25—Christmas Day
Dec. 26—St. Stephen
Dec. 27—St. John the Baptist
Dec. 28—Holy Innocents

Men's Special Meeting

The attention of the men of the Parish is called to the Service for men to be held in this church on the evening of December 3rd next at 7.45 P. M. The speaker for the evening will be the Rev. Ralph B. Pomeroy, of Princeton, N. J.

There will be a special program of music and the old familiar hymns will be sung.

As our guests upon this occasion we will have the local lodge of the Order of Artisans. Let every man turn out and make this service a success not only from a standpoint of numbers but of spiritual benefit to all present.

A Combined Sunday School Service to be Held in Christ Church

The Sunday Schools of St. Peter's Church, St. Michael's Church, Church of the Epiphany, St. Thomas' Church and Christ Church will hold a united Sunday School Service in Christ Church on the Second Sunday in Advent, December 10th at three in the afternoon.

The Sunday Schools will march in procession from their churches and assemble in Christ Church Parish House. From here they will proceed into the Church. The Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, will be present on this occasion and give an address.

At a similar service held in Christ Church last Advent it was estimated that more than a thousand scholars of the combined schools were present.

Parents and friends of the Sunday Schools are cordially invited to be present at the service to be held on the second Sunday in Advent.

The offering at this service will be for the Children's Ward of the Episcopal Hospital. A free bed for a child can be perpetually endowed for \$5000. What a wonderful opportunity this united Sunday School Service to be held in Christ Church on the Second Sunday in Advent will be for some generous hearted lover of children to offer to endow a bed—perhaps in memory of some child or some mother in Paradise!

This united service will then not have been held in vain. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit may be with us and bless this service!

Charity is never lost. It may be of little service to those it is betowed upon, yet it ever does a work of beauty and grace upon the heart of the giver.

The Cradle Roll

Miss Huston has been compelled to resign her charge of the Cradle Roll, owing to her absence at College. She has done faithful work and the "babies" will miss her.

The Rector has appointed in her place Miss Manser who will be pleased to include the names of all baptized infants on the Cradle Roll.

If parents have not their babies enrolled in this very interesting department of the Sunday School they are invited to communicate with the Secretary, Miss Manser, 33 East Tulpehocken Street.

Provide your Own Prayer Books and Hymnals

Prayer Books and Hymnals are provided for strangers who attend the services of Christ Church and may be found at both entrances. Regular attendants at the service should provide themselves with their own Prayer Books. Every member of the church should possess a private set of Prayer Book and Hymnal, which should be brought to the Church and taken home after each service. Cloth covered books may be purchased at any book store for twenty-five cents and these may be left in the members pews.

Attention! Sunday School Scholars and Bible Classes!

Every teacher, officer and scholars in our Sunday School and members of all the Bible Classes be sure to be present in the Parish House promptly at 2.30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, December 10th, ready to march into the Church to attend the combined service of the Sunday Scholars of St. Peter's Church, St. Michael's Church, Church of the Epiphany, St. Barnabas Church and Christ Church. We expect three hundred strong from our own Sunday School!

The Bishop of the Diocese the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander will be present to welcome you and will give an address.

The members of the Schools will be seated first and parents and friends will be accommodated later—if there is room. Remember the date and hour of service: Sunday afternoon, December 10th. Assemble at 2.30. Service at 3.00.

Men's Communion Service Sunday December 3rd

This day will be particularly a Man's day throughout the country. In nearly every parish the men will come together for corporate communion at the early service and likewise an effort will be made for a men's service in the evening.

This project which is gaining year by year in strength, had its inception within the ranks of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew as the Sunday nearest to St. Andrew's Day was set apart for the Corporate Communion of the men of the organization. Today, however, it is backed by Men's Clubs, Bible Classes and the various Men's organizations in the different parishes and includes every male communicant of our church.

What are the men of this Parish going to do about it? It may cost an hour or so of sleep but isn't the cause worth the effort and the effect greater than the cost? Think of the inspiration that would come to every man kneeling before the altar on that day—not alone, but with fifty, seventy-five, one hundred fellow parishioners present

with him and knowing that in spirit, he is surrounded by thousands of men of other parishes, united in the same service and with one purpose dominating their presence.

"And so we come; oh, draw us to Thy feet,

Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still!

And by this Food, so awful and so sweet,

Deliver us from every touch of ill;

In Thine own service make us glad and free,

And grant us never more to part with Thee."

C. H. J.

The Rev. Ralph B. Pomeroy to be at Christ Church

It will be good news to the parishioners of Christ Church, and all who had the privilege of hearing the Rev. Mr. Pomeroy of Princeton, N. J. who conducted a Mission in Christ Church, last Advent, to learn that he will be present and preach at the **Great Service for Men** to be held in this Church on the First Sunday Evening in Advent, December 3rd. While everybody is cordially invited it is intended that this service shall be **especially for men!** We want the Church filled with men! Let every man in the Parish be present and bring at least one other man. Remember the date! **A Men's Service on Sunday evening, December 3rd at 7.45 o'clock!**

Confirmation

Instruction on Confirmation will begin early in January. The date of the meetings will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes. The Rector will be pleased to receive the names of persons who are expecting to be confirmed or who wish information on the subject.

Christ Church Kalendar for 1917

A limited number of Kalendars for 1917, on which appear in appropriate colors the church's seasons, the Holy Days, etc., will be issued the first week in December and may be purchased from the vergers at thirty cents apiece.

Men's Bible Class

The Men's Bible Class of Christ Church is proud of its record. It is less than three months old and it already has a membership of over 70. But it believes that much greater results can be achieved. To accomplish them it asks the earnest assistance of all men in the Parish and particularly those who have not already become members of its organization.

Numerous religious services and social entertainments have been planned by its officers. One of the most important of the former will be a union service of the Sunday Schools of the five Germantown Episcopal Churches, on Dec. 11, 1916, at 3 P. M., at Christ Church. Bishop Rhinelander will be present and address the combined schools. This will be a notable event in the work of the Men's Bible Class in this Church and as the service is to be held in Christ Church, all men of the Class are urged to make a special effort to be present.

Among other services planned is one on Sunday evening Dec. 3rd, 1916, when members of the Order of Artisans have been invited to attend the evening service. A special program has been arranged. And on Sunday, Dec. 17th the class will have charge of the meeting at the Germantown Boys Club on West Penn Street.

The Second Social Evening of the Class was held on Thursday, November 16th. After a most instructive address by the Hon. Robert Bright, Pres. of the Democratic Club, of Philadelphia, an entertainment which had been provided by the committee in charge, was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. At the close of the entertainment refreshments were served.

The officers of the Class are confident that the activities of this new organization will prove both interesting and instructive and therefore urge all men not already connected with a Bible Class to attend its Sunday morning sessions at 9.45 in the Parish House and thus satisfy themselves of the good work which is being done and the benefits to be derived from it.

G. W. H.

The Bishop's Day

Christ Church had the honor of holding the annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliaries of Germantown and Chestnut Hill on Wednesday, November 15th. This annual meeting has come to be known as the "Bishop's Day," and it is well named, as Bishop Rhinelander sets apart this occasion to be with the members of the Auxiliaries during the day and conduct all the services and meetings. A large congregation of the delegates from the various parishes was present at the morning service held in the Church at ten o'clock, when the Bishop preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, one hundred and eighty persons communicating.

At noon was held an hour of General and special Intercession.

A luncheon was served at one o'clock to 250 representatives. At two a Conference was held in the Parish House, when an address was given by one of the delegates to the late General Convention held in St. Louis, the Rev. J. B. Halsey, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough, on the subject "Convention and Missions." At this Conference the Bishop was kept busy answering "questions" which had been written out and deposited at the door by the delegates. This feature was interesting and enlightening.

The Conference adjourned at four o'clock after voting the cordial thanks of the meeting to the members of Christ Church Branch of the Women's Auxiliary.

The attendance at this annual meeting was unusually large and the ladies of Christ Church Auxiliary wish to express their appreciation to the members of the Auxiliaries of the Parishes of Germantown and Chestnut Hill for their splendid co-operation, to which, together with the inspiring addresses and presence of the Bishop of the Diocese the success of the meeting is due.

Church Periodical Club

Don't forget that all books, magazines, religious or secular, should be passed on—and addresses will gladly

be forwarded if the Parish Librarian is notified.

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Guild Choir

The Guild Choir took charge of the service on All Saints Day. Also the funeral service for Mrs. Hearst, one of the oldest members of the Mother's Meeting. All members of the Congregation who are willing to volunteer to sing at the occasional Services, such as funerals, week day services in Lent, etc., when the regular Church Choir are not on duty, are invited to join the Guild Choir. For further information apply to Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, 430 Locust Avenue or to the Rector.

Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary held a most spirited meeting Thursday, November 9th. It had as its speaker Miss Elizabeth Robinson, one of the Women Workers sent out by the United Offering, who is working among the mountain whites of South Carolina. Such work cannot but appeal to us all and Miss Robinson left the meeting feeling she had not appealed in vain.

Come to the next meeting the first Thursday in December at 10.30 and see what new life and methods have sprung up in our midst to help the workers we are sending out to do our work in the missionary field.

Church Pension Fund

The object of this Fund is to provide Pensions for the aged clergy when by reason of age or infirmity they can no longer continue in the work of the church.

The plan is a form of insurance, the premium to be paid by the Parish. The amount of the payment is so calculated as to insure a pension for the clergy at the age of 68 or in case of disability resulting from accident or illness at an earlier age. March 1917 has been fixed as the date when this plan will be put into operation.

The first premiums will be paid in by the Parishes and the first pensions paid out to the retiring clergy on the same date March, 1917.

It must at once be plain to the most casual reader that some provision must be made to start the wheels of the great machine moving.

The committee having charge of this Fund have come to the conclusion that a reserve Fund of Five Million Dollars would be required to put the plan into working order.

A committee of our own Diocese have decided that Pennsylvania should pledge one million dollars of this Five Millions required. This committee has already \$700,000 and they confidently call on the parishes to raise the balance \$300,000.

This system of service annuities is in no sense a charity. It is simply an act of justice which should have been done many years ago.

The best financial men in the country and the ablest insurance actuaries have approved of this plan, one good feature of which is that the widows of the clergy and the minor children will be taken care of.

The Rector has appointed a Committee to put into operation a plan to raise our share of the reserve Fund. This Committee will bring this matter before the Congregation at an early date.

The Church Pension Fund is an assured success, the purpose of this Fund will be accomplished when the first annuities to the aged and infirm clergy are paid out in March 1917. It only remains now for us to do our part in the good work.

G. T. N.

Envelopes Subscribers

Several new names have been added to the Envelope Subscribers during the past month. It is encouraging to note that more and more the people in Christ Church are recognizing the advantages of systematic giving through the envelopes.

A large number of the children in the families of the parish have their individual package of envelopes. This is as it should be. Every child should be taught the duty and privilege of giving to the cause of religion by a regular, systematic method.

The Warden will be glad to furnish envelopes to any—adults or children—

who wish to give through this system. They may begin at any time. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger.

An Old Member of the Mothers' Meeting Dies

Mrs John Hurst for many years a member of the Mothers' Meeting and of the Women's Afternoon Bible Class was called to her rest in Paradise on November 16th after a long and painful illness. She was born in England and was confirmed in the Established Church in her early childhood. Since her removal to this country, many years ago, she has been a faithful and devoted member of Christ Church.

She was a hard working woman, making her living with her own hands, but by hard labor and frugality she had saved up a little sum of money, a part of which she gave a short time before her death, "to my dear parish of Church Church, where I have been comforted and blessed for so many years." According to her request this money will be spent for a light to be erected at the steps which lead from the street to the south entrance of the church.

She leaves no children but a faithful husband, whose tottering footsteps will be guided by this memorial light into the sanctuary where they both have worshipped side by side for many years until their old age.

The funeral was held in Christ Church on Saturday afternoon at half past two.

Junior Brotherhood

The Junior Brotherhood held its first meeting for the present year on the fourth Wednesday of October. Nine members were present and plans were adopted for the work of the Brotherhood for the year. The meetings have been changed from the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month to the last Wednesday. This was done owing to the fact that the members are very much occupied with the school work and seem to feel that one meeting night a month would receive from them more consistent support than would two.

Among other plans the Brotherhood is to give a party the third week in January similar to the one given last spring, which all remember with pleasure.

The November meeting will be held Wednesday, Nov. 29th, at 8 P. M. All members are requested to be present at this meeting.

Improvement in the Sunday School

A much needed improvement has been made in our Sunday School room. A sliding partition extending across the upper room has been installed separating the Junior Department from the main school. The Junior Department has increased so greatly in numbers that it has made this improvement a necessity. The cost of the partition \$250.00 has been largely defrayed by the members of the school.

Thanksgiving Day Services

The services on Thanksgiving Day, which occurs this year on St. Andrews' Day, will be Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Morning Prayer and Special Thanksgiving Service with sermon at 11 o'clock. The offering on Thanksgiving Day will be, as usual, for that magnificent institution, in which all churchmen take pride, the Episcopal Hospital.

Clothing Needed

Persons in the Parish who have partly worn clothing, outer or under garments for men, women or children, are asked to send the same to the Parish House. These garments are sometimes given away free in extreme cases, but more often they are sold at a nominal price to worthy and deserving persons, thus preserving their self-respect. The proceeds of the sales are devoted to the work of the Mothers' Meeting.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly meetings on Monday afternoon, October 16th and discussed plans for the winter's work. It was decided to make new white, and new red mats for the alms plates. Two new credence cloths, for the side altar, are

also being made. Several new hand towels have been provided for the vestry room.

The November meeting was held on the 13th and arrangements were made for the Thanksgiving day service.

The Altar Committees for December are as follows:

Dec. 1st-8th—Misses Dean, M. Falkner, H. Falkner.

Dec. 8th-15th—Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

Dec. 15th-22nd—Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

Dec. 22nd-29th—Misses Cooley, Gerhard, Mogridge, E. Manser.

G. H. D.

Mrs. Louise Seymour Houghton's Bible Class

It will be good news to the ladies of Christ Church, who had the privilege of attending the Instructions in the Bible as conducted by Mrs. Louise Seymour Houghton, to be informed that she expects to return to Germantown in December and will (D. V.) resume her teaching immediately after the holidays.

It is safe to say that there are few women in the American Church who are as well qualified to teach the Bible as is Mrs. Houghton. She has made the Bible a close and constant study of a life time and has taught and lectured on the Bible in some of the highest institutions of learning in this country. The women of Christ Church are highly privileged to have Mrs. Houghton again with them and an invitation is extended to women outside of the Parish to join this class. The first meeting will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

In this connection we would state that Charles Scribner's Sons have just announced another valuable publication by Mrs. Houghton, entitled "Selections From the Old Testament." "It is a part of the function of this book to bring to the student so much of the results of recent discovery and study as the limit of space permits." It is especially adapted for young students but it will be found equally in-

teresting and instructive to those of older years.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. "

Rev. John B. Falkner Seriously Ill

As the "Chimes" goes to press it announces the sad news that the Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., Rector Emeritus of Christ Church, lies seriously ill at his home in West Philadelphia.

The physicians give no hope for his recovery. The Commendatory Prayer for the Soul at the point of Departure was said at the services in Christ Church on Sunday, December 10th.

The prayers of many friends ascend to the Throne of Grace imploring the "Father of Mercies and God of all comfort so to fit and prepare him against the hour of death, that after his departure hence in peace and in Thy favor, his soul may be received into Thine everlasting Kingdom; through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ—Thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour."

The Christmas Message

Jesus Christ came to earth for only one purpose, and one purpose only. He came to be the world's Saviour—to save men from their sins!

In no other way, by no other means, in no other name can men be saved—saved from their misery, saved from their torments of conscience, saved from their sins.

He came to give, what the heart craves and the world so sorely needs, the gift and blessing of peace. His "peace, good will to men," means more than His attitude toward men; its realization is this peace to men of good will, revealing our attitude toward Him and toward one another. He came to win men to His will and to make us "kindly affectionate one toward another." He would make each nation neighbor to all nations and each man brother to all men. To those who have not kept His law how far off we seem from the ideal which our Lord came to establish. In these troublous times the vision is beclouded and the ideal seems abandoned. But the end is not yet, for men will come to see that nations cannot live by strife and that even victories have their loss of peace. The world will have to return to the "peace to men of good will" as the only basis on which the world can live its life and keep to its aims. The ultimate victory will not be of arms, for there will be no victory and no lasting peace until the warring world acknowledges what Julian the Apostate confessed, "Thou hast conquered, O Galilean!" If all the nations would carry out the spirit of Christmas what untold misery and suffering it would save! We know not how far God is now teaching the world "the things which belong to its peace." Out of this

fearful holocaust of war will come, what would have saved this blood-experience, a new interpretation of the law of peace of nations, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." This will come and come only when men are conquered, not by men, but by Christ. War may have its conquests, which are not victories for peace but simply for mastery. Its effects only deepen hates and estrangements and the hoped-for day of revenge. If the world ever needed the Christmas spirit, it needs it as it never needed it before to put an end to this bitter strife.—If the world ever needed to learn the lesson of Christmas, the lesson of the Incarnation, it is now, at this present stage of the world's agony, and sin.

If the world ever needed to look unto Jesus and to *Jesus* only, as its Teacher and its Guide, it is now amid the destruction and chaos into which other teachers and guides have led it.

"I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me!" Oh, Lord, Jesus, draw the world unto Thee at this time when Thou didst come in the likeness of men to save the world from sin and death! Let men everywhere seek after Thee and find Thee. As at this time, long ago, angels welcomed Thee to earth with songs of peace and gladness, so may Thy children, kneeling at Thy altars on the anniversary of Thy Blessed Nativity, truly receive Thee into their hearts, live Thee in their lives. May bitterness and wrath and anger, and clamor and evil-speaking, be put away from men everywhere, with all malice. And may they be kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God, for Christ's sake hath forgiven them!

The Clergy Pension Fund

An effort is being made throughout the church to realize by March 1st, 1917, the sum of \$5,000,000 to provide for the pensioning of the Clergy of the church at the age of 68, or earlier if they have been disabled. The interest that has been manifested among the laity throughout the country has been amazing.

It is recognized by all that this long delayed step should be taken at once. The heartless treatment to which the old clergy have been subjected by the Church in

the past has long been a reproach which the laity have determined shall no longer disgrace her name. The matter was taken up a year ago by certain prominent justice loving churchmen and a Committee formed to bring about a different state of affairs. Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts was chosen by these laymen as the Chairman of their Committee. His diocese relieved him for one year from his duties in Massachusetts to devote his entire time to this important work. A splendid start was made.

Bishop Lawrence began his campaign for the Reserve Fund in February, 1916. Before the start was made a sum had been pledged sufficient to cover the overhead charges of the entire campaign. On July 1, 1916 the trustees had received contributions in cash and valid pledges amounting to \$3,000,000.

In collecting this \$3,000,000 a large percentage of the Church people of large resources have been approached.

Where is the remaining \$2,000,000 to be obtained?

The remaining \$2,000,000 can come only from the gifts of every man and woman who appreciates the necessity of relieving the Church from the moral stain due to its past neglect of elemental justice in dealing with its servants and who also rejoice to aid in setting free the energy of the Church so that it may work at its highest power for the Gospel and the world.

This is the supreme task that now confronts the church.

The Plan

The following is a report of the Committee in charge.

"The plan of the Church to pension its retired clergy is unique in several respects:

1. Every clergyman, for whom the annual assessments have been paid, is to be assured a minimum sum—the amount above the minimum to be definitely related to the assessments paid by a parish.

2. To devise the method of providing the necessary annuities, the services have been enlisted of the most eminent actuaries in the world. The plan is scientifically sound, and will not disintegrate.

3. This is the first pension scheme to be placed under governmental supervis-

ion. The trustees of this Fund have voluntarily subjected themselves to the oversight of the Insurance Department of New York State."

On a Business Basis

"These unique aspects of the Church Pension Fund are as important as they are unusual, for several reasons:

1. They put the whole enterprise upon a business basis.

2. The aged clergyman's pension becomes, not a charity, but a deferred salary.

3. The benefits come automatically and as a matter of right. No board of trustees sits in judgment upon what a retired minister or his wife *should* receive.

4. The Insurance Department of New York will see to it that the calculations of the Fund are scientific; in other words, that it will fulfill its promises."

Not Sympathy But Justice

What are the reasons for establishing such a comprehensive plan?

1. *Not Sentiment Alone.* Of course, everyone sympathizes with the clergyman who has given strong and faithful service to the Church, and who finds himself without support in his old age, but sympathy is not the inciting factor in this undertaking.

2. *Not Increase of Efficiency Alone.* All experience shows that a reliable pension system greatly increases the efficiency of the service to which it attaches, and the vitalizing and energizing of the human agencies which the Church uses to carry its message to men is of very great importance, but even the increase of efficiency of the ministry is not the supreme motive.

3. *The Supreme Motive is Justice.* The supreme motive is that the Church shall do right as well as preach righteousness. Men will not continue to listen to the Church if the Church herself fails to practice morality."

Social justice has taken a firm hold upon men.

A vital element in social justice is the recognition of the fact that when a man has spent his fruitful years in the service of any organization, he has a right to receive adequate and honorable support from that organization when his fruitful years are over."

A Moral Claim

"His labor has helped build up the property of the organization; he has a moral claim upon that property for a decent livelihood in old age.

This moral claim is universally recognized. Railroads, factories, banks, colleges, governments, enforce this moral claim against themselves by creating and maintaining pension systems.

Not one of these industrial pension systems is in any way a charity. Employers and the employed would indignantly reject charity as a return to a lower stage of society, as a return to a period of undeveloped moral sensibility. Justice, not alms, rules."

The Church's Conscience

"The Church has inspired this nobler social conscience.

But how does the Church practice what she preaches?

The Church preaches righteousness to all men. In actual business relations she deals with only one set of men—the clergy.

The Church throws aside her aged clergy when they are no longer useful.

The Relief Societies have nobly helped many cases of suffering, but no great organization can now rely upon charity as a substitute for justice.

The Church cannot continue to fall so far short of her highest ideals. She must either catch up to the justice she has inspired, or the men she has so inspired will refuse to acknowledge her authority to teach. Where the Church can practice righteousness, she must.

Every consideration pressing upon an industrial corporation to do justice to its employees presses with ten-fold force on the Church to deal justly and honorably with its life-long servants."

The Diocese of Pennsylvania has agreed to raise \$1,000,000.00 of the \$5,000,000.00 needed. Over \$700,000.00 has been already given or pledged by certain prominent laymen of the Diocese. This leaves \$300,000 to be raised by the parishes before March 1st, 1917. Local Committees have been appointed in the various parishes to present this matter and to solicit offerings from every member. Some parishes in the Diocese are pledging to give as much as \$50,000.00

each. Our parish ought to give, at least, \$2000.00

No doubt this amount will be readily raised through the generosity of our members.

The plan of the Committee is to have an offering taken in the Church on Septuagesima Sunday, February 4th, 1917, and also to solicit the yearly pledges to the fund, these pledges to extend over a period of not more than five years.

By this plan many who cannot give a large sum at one time will be enabled to give five, ten, twenty or twenty-five dollars yearly for a term of years. The General Committee strongly urges the local Committees to solicit pledges as well as to receive cash contributions.

The Rector has appointed the following parochial Committee to take charge of the raising of our contribution and to solicit pledges: George T. Morgan, U. G. Rowley, R. H. Morris, Dr. William N. Johnson, J. Rogers Holcomb, Jonas Westling, Arthur W. Hood.

The Rector bespeaks for them, on behalf of the congregation, a cordial and a generous response.

Special Speakers on Diocesan Missions

The rector has arranged to have special speakers come to Christ Church on an average of once a month, during the coming year, to address the congregation on the home missionary work that is being carried on in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. It is believed that the character and extent of the missionary work done by our church throughout our own Diocese is not generally known by the members of our Parish. It is a very great and a very important work. In its scope it includes work among the colored people, the Italians, the Jews, the immigrants which pour into our city, the support of the Galilee and the "Inasmuch" Mission, both of which are doing such good work in uplifting fallen men, the work among Seamen, the support of missions in the rural districts of the diocese, the extension of church and social service work throughout the rapidly growing portions of our city; missionary work in the jails

and penitentiaries, in hospitals and homes for the aged and for the poor and for the young. It extends its support to the Deaf Mutes and to the Blind and reaches out as far as the Mount Alto Sanitarium for the support and relief of cases of tuberculosis. Through innumerable other channels, also, the church in this Diocese is endeavoring to do its Master's work by ministering to those who are in need, sorrow, sickness or distress.

To meet the expenses of this great missionary work which the church is doing within this Diocese, a budget is prepared each year and a definite amount is asked by the Diocesan Board of Missions. At the last Diocesan Convention the Board submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese be requested to contribute during the coming year for the Missionary work of the Diocese the aggregate sum of not less than \$37,600.00

This amount, \$37,600.00 is, therefore apportioned among the eight "Convocations" of the Diocese. As our share, the "Convocation of Germantown" is assessed for Diocesan Missions \$5,440.00 This amount is in turn, distributed pro rata among the various parishes in the Germantown Convocation. The amount which our parish of Christ Church is privileged to give toward this great Diocesan work, (including the Sustentation Fund) is \$278.36.

The Rector's object in inviting speakers to address our congregation, from time to time, on the various aspects of this Diocesan missionary work, is to give our people an intelligent understanding of the great work that is being done by our Church in the missionary fields of this diocese. He believes that when the people of Christ Church understand the scope of the work, its importance, its needs and its opportunities, no appeal for financial support will be made to them in vain.

The Rev. Henry L. Philips, Archdeacon of the work among the colored people of the diocese, will speak on that department of Diocesan missions on Sunday morning, December 17th. The offering at this service will be for work among colored people.

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901) Rector's Warden

J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden

Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Alexander R. Cheston (1914)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club—3rd Friday.
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

- 1st. Rental of Pews.
- 2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Young Women's Christian Association

The Young Women's Christian Association of Germantown is not having a financial campaign this Fall but would like to have all annual subscriptions paid at this time and is earnestly asking for new gifts as the broadening work demands increased maintenance.

Kalendar for January 1917

January 1st, Feast of the Circumcision
January 6th, Feast of the Epiphany.
January 7th, First Sunday after Epiphany.
January 14th, Second Sunday after Epiphany.
January 21st, Third Sunday after Epiphany.
January 25th—Conversion of St. Paul.
January 28th, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

The Offering on Christmas Day

Members of the Parish and all friends of the Sunday School will be given an opportunity on Christmas Day to give an offering for the support of the Sunday School. This fall an important and much needed improvement has been made in the Sunday School. A sliding partition has been placed between the Junior Department, (which has grown so large in number that it has necessitated this partition) and the Main School. This has entailed an expense of \$275.00. The larger part of this expense has been met by the Sunday School, the Vestry paying the remainder. A new system of Bible Instruction ("the Christian Nurture Course") has recently been introduced into the School, the materials for which have cost about \$100.00.

Funds are needed for the usual Christmas Entertainment of the School.

To meet all these expenses the School asks for \$150.00 from the congregation on Christmas Day. There can be no doubt but that the members of the church will gladly contribute this amount for so important a work. Christmas is essentially a day for the children as well as adults and no better cause could appeal to all persons in Christ Church than a liberal offering to the religious instruction of the children in the Parish committed to our care.

Will persons who may unavoidably be absent from the services on Christmas Day (and there should be no one absent who isn't unavoidably kept away) please give their offering before or after Christmas, or send their offering to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave?

Services on Christmas Day

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 a. m. Holy Communion with sermon at 11.00 o'clock. The offering on Christmas Day is asked for the support of the Sunday School.

Sunday School Christmas Carol Service

The Sunday School Christmas Carol Service will be held in the church on Sunday afternoon, December 24th, at half past three o'clock.

The carols to be sung by the schools at this service are unusually sweet and will be enjoyed by the "old folks"—who are cordially invited to be present with the school.

An address will be given by the Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Jr., Head Master of the Episcopal Academy, Philadelphia. Mr. Steinmetz was formerly a member of Christ Church Sunday School and his friends in Christ Church will be glad to welcome him at the service of the Sunday Schools.

The Sunday School Christmas Entertainment

The usual Christmas Entertainment for the Sunday School will be held on Holy Innocents' Day, Thursday, December 28th.

The Primary Department of the school will hold its entertainment in the Parish house in the afternoon at three o'clock. The Junior and upper schools' entertainment will be held on the same day in the evening at 7.45.

Of course Santa Claus will be on hand as usual and distribute the presents to the "good boys and girls," both old and young.

New Year's Eve Midnight Service

A solemn midnight service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at eleven o'clock.

Evening Prayer with a short address will be held at the usual hour 7.45 on that Sunday. Between the close of Evening Prayer and the beginning of the Midnight Service the church will be open for meditation and private prayer.

A New Year's Resolution

A good way for the members of the congregation, who do not contribute regularly to the expenses of the parish through the Envelope System, to begin the New Year would be to *resolve to sign a pledge card for every member of the family*, father, mother, and each of the children, and present it on the alms basin of Christ Church on the first Sunday in the New Year.

Over one half of the communicants of the parish are giving regularly, systematically and conscientiously through the envelopes. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by in store, as God hath prospered him." 1 Cor. 26:2.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35.

The time to begin is now!

Church Kalendar for 1917

A limited number of Christ Church Kalendars for 1917, setting forth the seasons of the church year and the Holy Days, with their appropriate colors, lessons, etc. are in the hands of the vergers and may be purchased from him at thirty cents a piece.

Confirmation Classes Now Forming

The Rector asks that persons who are contemplating Confirmation should give their names to him. He will be glad to give them literature on the subject and welcome them to the church.

The first meeting for instruction to candidates will be held in the Parish House on Friday, January 27th, at four o'clock in the afternoon for minors, and at eight o'clock in the evening for adults.

Up or Down?

We do not know who said it, but it was well said. "People who are down on missions are usually those who are not up on missions." There is a world of truth in this simple statement which lies at the bottom of all the modern movement toward missionary educa-

tion. Again and again it has been demonstrated that opposition to missions, as such, has its foundation only in ignorance. How many times have we heard of persons who had "no use for missions," yet after a trip through foreign lands, with seeing eyes and an open mind, have become enthusiastic advocates of that which they once condemned?

Subscriptions to the Chimes

Since the last issue of the Chimes the following persons have subscribed:

Mrs. James H. Ritter, Mrs. Harkins, Mrs. H. R. Baremore, Mrs. J. E. Graeff, Mrs. W. A. Armstrong, Mrs. G. S. Wertsner, Ms. A. E. Wilcox, Mrs. A. W. Meley, Mrs. C. Armstrong, Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Mrs. W. H. Wells, Mrs. G. G. Whitby, Miss S. A. King, Mrs. H. C. Thompson.

Seventy more subscriptions are needed to guarantee the publication of the Chimes to next June.

Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to the Business Manager, Mr. R. H. Gurley, 257 Harvey Street or to the Rector.

Subscription price 50 cents; through the mail 60 cents.

Christmas Greens

Contributions are solicited to pay for the purchase of Christmas greens to decorate the church.

The young men of the parish hang the greens and do all the work, without cost to the church.

The Altar Guild provide for the altars and arrange the decorations.

Contributions may be given to Mr. R. H. Morris.

Gymnasium Notice

The Christ Church Club managing as it does the athletic activities in the Parish House announces that during the winter, the gymnasium will be open in the evenings from 8 until 9.45, for basketball, volley ball or any other form of indoor athletic activity.

Members are requested, however, to observe the following rules:

The room is to be used by the boys on Monday and Friday nights; by the girls on Thursday nights and Saturday after-

noons; by the older boys and men on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Please come on the nights assigned and avoid confusion. Twenty-five cents a month will be the fee required by all members using the room. This is merely to cover the expenses of light and heat for the room. The club feels that all those, except the ones who live on the principle of getting something for nothing will be willing to pay this sum for the use of the room.

R. H. G.

Men's Bible Class

WANTED: As members of the Men's Bible Class of Christ Church all men of this Church and of the vicinity not already members of a similar class.

"Nothing succeeds like success" is a good motto. It is very appropriate to our Class. It is succeeding because it has been a success from the start. Every man likes to be connected with a successful business, a successful club, or any successful enterprise. What better could you do than to be connected with a live, successful Bible Class? Join now and by your efforts aid in increasing its usefulness. Don't wait until the eleventh hour, when all the work is finished, because you will miss that feeling of satisfaction which everyone has when he knows that his efforts have contributed to the success of a good work.

Come to one of the Sunday morning lessons at 9.45 at the Parish House and you will not only feel repaid by the interesting discussion of the Bible, but you will be surprised at the extent of the activities of the Class.

Did you know that we had an Employment Bureau? It is in charge of Mr. Frederick Lennig, who will be glad to hear from you if you know of anyone out of employment or any positions open. We have already placed several persons in good paying positions through the effort of those in charge of that work.

The next Social evening will be on Thursday Dec. 21st. We will not announce what the entertainment for that evening will be, but you will enjoy it if you come.

The President of the Class appreciates the splendid attendance of the members at the union service of Sunday School's

held on Dec. 10th. We had the largest number of any class of the five schools. 65 men being present.

Do not forget the meeting next Sunday morning at 9.45.

G. W. H.

Basket Ball for Girls

The girls of the Parish have organized a basket ball team.

Owing to a vacancy in the Inter Church and Association Basket Ball League we were invited to join, making the twelfth team in the League.

All the games are played in the Y. W. C. A. gymnasium, and are officially referred according to "Spaulding's Basket Ball Guide for Girls."

Practice games are played every Thursday night in our Parish Building, and a cordial invitation is extended to all girls to come out and share in the fun and good sport.

If you know nothing about the game, that's a good reason why you should come and learn.

E. R. A.

Special Notice of the Junior Brotherhood

Attention of the members of the Junior Brotherhood is called to a change in the program for the year. Hitherto the Brotherhood has stressed the social end of their activity and the result has been that while the members have had more or less of a good time, the real object of the Brotherhood has not been advanced nor have the members benefited in any lasting manner.

At the last meeting it was felt that there was reason for a more definite purpose in the activity of the chapter and the object of the meetings hereafter will be to present for discussion questions and problems which are a component part of the daily experience of every red-blooded, active boy in the adolescent period.

Bible study will be taken up, since the Bible is the best text book in which to find the answer to these problems and the effort will be made to bring each member to look on his Bible as a guide book, not for Sunday conduct only, but for every-day experience.

Above all things, these meetings will not be a pious assembly of "goody good-

ies" but a meeting for the straight, simple discussion of questions which bother every growing boy if he is worth his salt.

These meetings will be every second and fourth Wednesday of the month, beginning at 7.45 sharp and closing at 8.30 sharp, when all will adjourn to the gymnasium for an hour's healthy exercise.

The Junior Brotherhood extends an invitation to boys over 16 years of age to unite with the present members in the plan outlined here and come to the next meeting which will be in the Parish House, Wednesday night, Dec. 27th, at 7.45 sharp.

The Boys' Brigade

The Brigade wishes to thank, through the Chimes, those who so kindly helped to make their recent supper such a success, financially and otherwise.

On account of the difference in the ages of the boys, the Commanding Officer decided to have those under 16 years of age on Friday night and those over 16 years of age on Monday night. This divided the Company into what might be termed the Juniors and Seniors.

The Seniors are fortunate in having as their instructor, Sergeant W. S. Cranmer in active service of the United States Marines. He has served four years, in the United States service and renewed his enlistment October last. Those who have had the pleasure of being under his instruction claim him to be an ideal man as well as a soldier and also one who may be looked upon in time of need to lead them through their difficulty in the best possible manner.

The largest difficulty confronting the leader of this Brigade is the lack of funds. The Spirit of patriotism, spreading throughout the entire country, has made a large demand for military supplies, and consequently, the prices have advanced, since the Government cannot meet these demands. We are greatly in need of financial assistance from the members of the congregation. Members of neighboring churches assist the Brigades in purchasing necessary equipment and we respectfully ask some generous members of Christ Church to do the same.

Our Brigade is not asking for anything without doing their share of work, but

they would like to be supported in their plans. Our equipment was purchased Jan. 1913; and after three years' use, is either worn out or too small for the present members who have grown with the organization. It therefore necessitates the purchasing of at least 25 new uniforms, costing about \$250.00 (Two hundred and fifty dollars). Part of this is to be paid by the boys and a scheme as to how to obtain the remainder would be greatly appreciated by the Company.

So with a little financial assistance from the church as a whole, the Commanding Officer, as well as the Instructor, promise to produce a Company of boys who will be a pride to the older men and to the Church as well as to the Country.

H. N. F.
Commanding Officer.

G. F. S.

The Germantown Neighborhood Conference of the Girls' Friendly Society was held at St. Mark's, Frankford on November 14th. Our branch was well represented. It was a very interesting conference. We had reports from the Central Council Meeting and the Senior Members Club.

These Conferences are very helpful to all the branches. We all meet together and discuss our difficulties and our successes, it makes us feel how large our society really is and what strength there is in numbers.

We are getting ready for Christmas. We are sending stockings to the children at Blockley and a box of toys and books to Mr. Thurber for his boys' school in Virginia.

About four times a year we have suppers on our regular meeting nights. Three girls are appointed cooks and serve the supper and the rest of us are the guests. These certainly are gay times and we all look forward to them.

There are girls in the Parish who should belong to the Friendly and we would be very glad to have them join us. We meet in the Parish House on Tuesday nights.

P. M.

The New Course of Sunday School Lessons

The new course of lessons for Sunday Schools, called the Christian Nurture Course, set forth under the direction of the General Board of Religious Education, has been adopted in the Primary and the Junior Departments of Christ Church Sunday School. The teachers in these departments of the School have entered enthusiastically into the course and the lessons are proving exceedingly satisfactory. The Primary Department is divided into two divisions; the lower grade for children from four to six years of age, the upper grade for children from six to eleven. Each division is provided with tables made to order for each class, clustered around which the children, with their teachers, prepare their note book and illustrate them with pictures.

The Junior Department which is now separated from the main school by a sliding partition, recently built is divided into separate classes, each provided with tables, note books and necessary equipment.

The new course has not yet been taken up by the main school, but, no doubt, will be adopted, as the teachers in this department more fully acquaint themselves with the merit of this course.

Mrs. Lindsay's Class, Miss Orme's Class and Miss Rowland's Class in the main school have entered into this new course of study.

A Precious Legacy

Persons who have not had the advantage of the beautiful service of our Church in their earlier years often become in their latter years, when this privilege is enjoyed by them, the most enthusiastic admirers of our service and the most devoted and loyal members of the Church. They are able from their experience to contrast the barrenness and emptiness of other forms with the richness and fulness of the grand historic liturgy of the Church. The following extract from the memoirs of Prof. Austin Phelps, the scholarly Congregational preacher, is a case at point:

"The Liturgy of the Episcopal Church has become very precious to

me. The depth of its meaning it seems to me nobody can fathom who has not experienced some great sorrow. We have lost much in parting with the prayers of Old Mother Church, and what have we gained in their places? I do not feel in extemporaneous prayer the deep undertone of devotion which rings out from the old collects of the Church like the sounds of ancient bells. I longed for and prayed for, and, worst of all, waited for, some sublime and revolutionary change of heart; and when that was, as a fact of a child's experience, I have not the remotest idea. If I had been trained in the Episcopal Church, I should at the time have been confirmed and entered upon a consciously religious life, and grown up into Christian living of the Episcopal type."

THE KINDERGARTEN—

The First Grade and Kindergarten under the supervision of Miss Louise Dietz in the Christ Church Parrish House, is progressing very nicely. The young students are being taught the new and up to date system. The school room is a large sunny room, well adapted for the little folks. The class is limited in numbers but we still have room for a few children.

Christmas is a day of joy, but joy should not be allowed to die out of our lives next morning. It should stay with us ever after. We should sing the Christmas songs all the new year. We should carry the peace of God in our hearts continually hereafter. We should learn from this time to find the beauty and the good in all things and to show the world that we believe what we say we believe—that since God loves us and Jesus Christ is our friend, "all's well with the world."

A Bible Question Answered

The question was asked in our Men's Bible Class, who are studying the books of the Old Testament:

"What did Noah and the others live on after they came out of the ark?"

Teacher: "I will look that up for the next lesson."

Voice from the rear: "Why, that's easy. They lived on the land, of course."

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Entered Into Life

On December 13th the Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., for twenty-five years Rector of this Parish, passed from this life into the life Eternal, at the age of 84 years.

Although he had been feeble for some time he was ill only a few days before his death and the end was a peaceful transition into the rest in Paradise.

Dr. Falkner became Rector of Christ Church Parish, March, 1874 and served as Rector until Easter, 1899, when, failing health compelled him to resign. The Vestry accepted his resignation with deep regret and elected him Rector Emeritus.

Four years after Dr. Falkner came to this Parish, the Church was destroyed by a hurricane blowing down the tall tower which surmounted the building. The congregation, which at that time was small, loyally rallied to the support after efforts of their Rector and by heroic sacrifices built the present substantial Church in 1878-79.

The new building was paid for in full and consecrated by Bishop Stevens in 1880.

During Dr. Falkner's long rectorship he endeared himself deeply into the affections of all by his unselfish and devoted service to his people—especially to the poor and to those in sorrow and need, to whom his heart went out in deepest sympathy and love. Of late years his visits to his old parish have been few, owing to his feeble health but the love and affection of all who knew him remained constant to the last.

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D. D., officiated at the funeral, which was held in Christ Church on December 16th, and was largely attended by vested clergy of the Diocese and many friends from the parish and city.

His body was laid to rest in West Laurel Hill Cemetery.

"May his soul rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon him!"

Not Changed But Glorified

Not changed but glorified! Oh beautiful language

For those who weep,
Mourning the loss of some dear face departed,

Fallen asleep.
Hushed into silence, never more to comfort
The hearts of men,
Gone, like the sunshine of another country,
Beyond our ken.

Oh dearest dead, we saw the white soul
shining

Behind the face,
Bright with the beauty and celestial glory
Of an immortal grace.

What wonder that we stumble, faint and
weeping,

And sick with fears,
Since thou has left us—all alone with sor-
row,

And blind with tears?

Can it be possible no words shall welcome
Our coming feet?

How will it look, that face that we have
cherished

When next we meet?

Will it be changed, so glorified and saintly,
That we shall know it not?

Will there be nothing that will say, "I love
thee,

And I have not forgot?"

Oh faithless heart, the same loved face
transfigured

Shall meet thee there,

Less sad, less wistful, in immortal beauty
Divinely fair.

The mortal veil washed pure with many
weepings,

Is rent away,

And the great soul that sat within its prison
Hath found the day.

In the clear morning of that other country
In Paradise,

With the same face that we have loved
and cherished

He shall arise!

Let us be patient, we who mourn, with
weeping,

Some vanished face,

The Lord has taken, but to add more
beauty

And a divine grace.

And we shall find once more, beyond earth's
sorrow,

Beyond these skies,

In the fair city of the "sure foundations,"
Those heavenly eyes,

With the same welcome shining through
their sweetness,

That met us here;

Eyes, from whose beauty God has banished
weeping

And wiped away the tear.

Think of us, dearest one, while o'er life's
waters

We seek the land,

Missing thy voice, thy touch, and the true
helping

Of thy pure hand.

Till, through the storm and tempest, safely
anchored

Just on the other side,

We find thy dear face looking through
death's shadows,

Not changed, but glorified.

Septuagesima

Septuagesima Sunday occurs this year on the first Sunday in February. Septuagesima is the Latin word for "seventy"—seventy days before the Great Feast, the feast of the Resurrection. Next Sunday will be Sexagesima, in round numbers, sixty days before Easter, then Quinquagesima, fifty days. Then comes Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the solemn season of Lent. On Septuagesima Sunday the Church enters the penumbra of her Lenten Eclipse, and all her services are shadowed with the sombre hue of her approaching season of repentance and fasting and prayer. This season is a preparation for Lent. Thus, we have turned our back upon the dear old Christmas and the gladsome days of Epiphany-tide; and setting our faces towards the more sober, but still more glorious light of Easter, we begin to number the days of preparation, which, if duly observed, will fit us to keep the Paschal as the Apostle commands, "not with the old leaven*** but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

Seventy! It is a symbolical number. "The days of our age are three score years and ten," says the Apostle. It is the ways of the world to reckon advancing time by addition; but the Church now gives us Seventy days, and gently hints to us how life is fast passing away as she bids us daily to *subtract* one, that so "we may number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom."

In these Seventy days, we thus see a striking emblem of our three score and ten years, a model of a completed Christian life, which passes through lights and shadows, through tears and trials to the joyful Resurrection. While we persevere through Lent, following each day our Saviour, keeping close to His Side, listening to His wonderful Words, passing with Him through the shadows of those Forty Days, growing more and more desirous of the sunrise of Easter, and rejoicing to find the appointed days diminish as That Great Day draws near, we learn also to pass the few and evil days of our sojourning in this world, feeling every day that we have one day less to live, keeping the glories of the Resurrection always in view and singing with the Psalmist, "when I awake up after Thy likeness, I shall be satisfied."

Lapsed Communicants

What Constitutes a Communicant?
From the prevalent neglect of the Holy Sacrament in certain quarters, one has been led to say: "A communicant is a person who does not commune."

That is certainly a hard saying, yet it contains too much truth.

The prayer book contains four forms of address to a congregation of communicants. One is for a right preparation, another is for a right understanding and the third is for a right reception of the Sacrament.

There is another, and that is for those who neglect the table of the Lord, who become careless, and who are recalled to duty. The words, addressed by the prayer book to those who have become thoughtless are loving and patient. Perhaps the reader may find the exhortation just such a one as if it was written for him, and addressed to him personally.

"Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feast, decked his table with all kind of provision, so that there lacketh nothing but the guests to sit down; and yet they who are called (without any cause) most unthankfully refuse to come. Which of you in such a case would not be moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him?"

"It is an easy matter for a man to say, I will not communicate, because I am otherwise hindered with worldly business. But such excuses are not so easily accepted and allowed before God. If any man say, I am a grievous sinner, and therefore am afraid to come: wherefore, then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not ashamed to say ye will not come? When ye should return to God, will ye excuse yourselves and say ye are not ready?"

A man will go to Church and thank God for all that he possesses—life, health, opportunity, property—and then think it strange when he is asked to give only one-tenth of what has been made to carry on God's work in the world.

Take notice that those persons who are continually wanting "to be noticed" never grow spiritually. They cannot, because they put themselves first, and the humble, obedient life, next.

The Unconfirmed

The Bishop of the Diocese has appointed Maundy Thursday evening, April 5th, the date for the Ministration of the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector will begin on Friday evening, January 26th a course of Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. These Friday evening lectures will be for adults. On Sunday afternoon, January 28th at four o'clock he will begin a course of Instructions for minors. Both of these courses will continue every Friday evening and Sunday afternoon until the Bishop's Visitation.

The Rector is anxious that this opportunity shall be availed of by everyone in the congregation and that everyone, who has been spared by God to reach "Years of discretion" shall be confirmed.

There are some in our congregation whose life is one of practical Religion and devoted Churchmanship, with two exceptions—They hold back from performing the duties of Confirmation and Holy Communion.

Most of you have been baptized but you have not been confirmed. You have been putting it off from year to year. The end is fast coming on and you have "not yet" taken your stand for Jesus Christ. By your neglect you are depriving yourselves the blessing that comes with the performance of a clear Christian duty. It may be, too, that your refusal causes others to stand aloof. Can you still refuse to be Blessed and to become a Blessing to others?

On this subject of Confirmation, the Rector commends the following words of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, late Bishop of Mississippi.

They are strong words and God grant that they may touch the hearts and stir the wills of all who have been putting off, from year to year, their Christian duty of Confirmation.

"The great mass of people in Christian lands are baptized in infancy. It has been the purpose of the Christian Church, from the first, to take into her arms the children, following herein the Master's example. She learned her lessons at His blessed feet, and forbids them not, because she accepts His words, that "of such is the kingdom of heaven." She is a training-school to teach His love and

faith, to watch over and educate and train, by precept upon precept, the children whom He has committed to her charge.

Therefore, she makes them Christians to begin with. All Christian duties, all Christian obligations are upon them by election, because by God's good pleasure, and the sovereign council of His own will, they have been born into a Christian land, and so elected for Christian duty and a Christian life.

These baptized children are members of Christ's Church, in the full, unlimited meaning of the term. They are the Church's most sacred charge. Above all, she is bound to guard and watch for them. As the State guards, sacredly, the rights of its infants as it recognizes their full citizenship, and protects them most zealously by courts and judges, just because they are helpless, although it does not yet demand all a citizen's duties, nor admit them to exercise all a citizen's privileges; so the Church guards the rights of her minor members, and brings them to full growth in the Christian life, guards them the more sacredly because they are so helpless.

Her plan is, when they have come to the years of discretion, when they know good and evil, when they have learned where they stand, and what is the issue of their choice, to gather them about her, with the dew of youth and hope yet fresh upon them, with the world on which they soon must enter lying yet untried before them; to gather them about her and ask them now once more, as once the act was done in love and faith by others for them, to renew it for themselves; to confirm His grace and goodness here, at the dawning, before the toiling and the fighting begin.

It is thus that Confirmation—or the laying on of hands—becomes the central fact in his Christian history.

But we must speak to many a baptized man and woman as if they were not baptized. The vows of their baptism hang loosely about them. A pious father or mother brought the child to the font, and the heart swelled as the sacred dew of the consecrated water glistened on the

little face, and the soul went out in one great sob of prayer that he might indeed be God's child forever.

But the world came, and the world's work, and the world's pleasures. The vows were not assumed in their time. The burden was refused, under the foolish thought that refusing responsibility annihilates it. Youth passed, and the baptized child became a baptized man, living unworthy of his baptism, trying to forget it, trying to deny it, as far as he could, to wipe off his soul the consecration of his God.

He is a deserter, a traitor to the holy cause. As far as he can, he has gone over to the enemy. He repudiates his Christian name, and denies his father's faith and his father's God. The freshness and purity of a Christian youth has changed into a cold, hard, worldly, or sensual manhood. The child of God is trying to turn himself into a child of the devil.

To such a one, as to an unbeliever, or worse than an unbeliever, the old preaching comes: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." To him belong the first principles yet: repentance from dead works, faith, the doctrine of baptism (which he has forgotten or denied), of the laying on of hands, of the resurrection from the dead, and of eternal judgment. These, the foundations, he has not yet laid. The only one he has laid he has striven to tear up again. He is to look to his steps as a man wandered far from the road, and as a man bound, under eternal penalties, too, to know the road, and where the road leads him, as well as others.

We meet them by scores, in all our congregations, these baptized men who make a mock of their baptism, deny their God, refuse their Christianity. These are the saddening souls over whom pastors weep and angels weep; over whom only the lost spirits rejoice; the souls that know the way, and will not take it; the souls that faith and love and prayer gave to Christ, and which now insist on repudiating the covenant, and giving themselves to ruin; the sad, pitiful, mournful souls, who refuse their princely state, and sit eating husks among the swine, when they should sit at the King's table as the heirs of heaven.

We cannot say to these, "Arise and be baptized!" Better were it for them, perhaps, if we could. But they have left that behind. Baptism has been a brand upon them, and not a blessing, all these years.

We can say, "Arise and be confirmed!" Turn to the Lord, with penitence and faith and humble prayer, and renew the broken covenant. Recall the meaning of baptism and its solemn vows. Gather up the fragments of a meaningless life, of broken resolutions, failing purposes, decisions that decided nothing, and let the man begin his youth again, and come with childish heart to God, and ask the Father to take back a son that has disgraced and shamed His name.

Alas! that is the strange place that confirmation has come to occupy too much in these evil days. It is not the festival of obedience and faithful sons, going forth in the Father's name, and with His blessing, but the hour of welcome, glad, indeed, but saddening, to stained, exhausted, soiled and tattered prodigals. It is not the bright, joyful re-enlistment of freshness, youth and hope, but the broken and sorrowful return of a heart that has strayed far away, and comes back worn out, disappointed and ashamed.

And yet confirmation, or as the Bible calls it, "the laying on of hands," remains God's free gift, the assurance of renewed acceptance and renewed help. The wanderer can return if he will, the sinner can repent of his sin, the baptized sinner as the unbaptized. Fallen from the heights of grace, he can climb again, and the step before him now is the step to the chancel-rail, "Do ye here renew the solemn vow and promise which ye made, or which was made in your name, at your baptism?" "I do." And then the assuring words, the words by which alone any sinner or any backslider can hope,—*"Our help is in the name of the Lord."* So a new life may build itself, by God's mercy, on the failures and the ruins of the old; and let a man remember that "now is the day of salvation."

When Will this Incessant Begging for Money Cease?

We heard a man ask the other day, "When will this incessant begging for money (he meant for Church purposes) cease? It is call upon call, now for this and now for that, and I am sick and weary of it." More ask the question than those who like our frank friend put it into words. The answer is as easy as the question. It will never cease. It is a part of the law of the situation. While there remains a heathen on earth, an unfaithful Christian, a sick man, soul-sick or body-sick, an orphan child, a cripple, an outcast, a wretched creature anywhere with any wretchedness, the demands will still be made, and they will still be answered worse or better. When all men on earth are blessed, when the sunlight of heaven gilds the hills and valleys of the world and wraps the blue seas in eternal calm then may men rest from their working and their giving—not before.

Bear in mind, my friend, that your happiness or your misery is very much of your own making. You cannot create spiritual sunlight any more than you can create the morning star; but you can put your soul where *Christ is shining*. Keep a clear conscience. Keep a good stock of God's promises within reach. Keep a nightingale of hope in your soul that can sing away the dark hours when they do come. Keep a good, robust faith that can draw honey out of rocks and oil out of the flinty rock. Never spend a day without trying to do something good; and then, keeping step with your Master, march on towards heaven, over any road, however rough, and against any head-winds that blow.—*Canadian Churchman*.

It is an almost impossible task to produce parish life with people who are indifferent to every enterprise which you may suggest.

He who tells one lie, becomes an awful liar, for he is forced to invent twenty more to cover up that one.

Church Pension Fund

By this time everybody in Christ Church knows that the Episcopal Church is endeavoring to realize by March 1st, 1917, the sum of five million dollars as a permanent Fund, the interest of which is to be devoted to pension the aged and infirm Clergy of the church.

It is a movement inaugurated by the justice loving laymen of the church, who maintain that the church which preaches justice and righteousness, should practice justice and righteousness toward its Aged and Infirm or Disabled Clergy.

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The National Committee needs something more than \$1,000,000 to complete its larger task.

All this must be had by March 1, 1917

When we say the Church is doing the biggest thing in its history we mean that every member is doing it.

Therefore **we (you and I)** have gone on record as the builders of a great institution.

Are we going to complete our contract?

To this question the Vestry and members of Christ Church, Germantown say, emphatically, *Yes!* We propose to do our share. Therefore, an opportunity

will be given to every member of this parish and to all who wish to contribute, either by contributions or pledges or both at, *An Offering to be Taken for The Church Pension Fund, Sunday morning, February 4th.*

Between now and the above-named Sunday, pledge cards will be found in the vestibules of the church. All are asked to take these pledge cards, sign them and place them on the alms basin on the first Sunday in February.

These cards afford an opportunity for pledges to be made for annual payments extending over a period of one to five years.

What will Christ Church give as its share toward this \$5,000,000 Fund?

Let every one answer for himself on Sunday morning, February 4th.

A strong purpose creates its own means of accomplishment. "If a god wishes to ride," says Emerson, "every chip and stone will bud and shoot out winged feet for it to ride." To believe and go forward is the key to success and to happiness. Doubt and distrust are the negative and corrosive forces. The enthusiasm for a high purpose calls into being the agencies by means of which it may be accomplished. Great powers attend on great thoughts and, above all and beyond all, among the creative forces, is the power of a great faith.

God's Love

God never casts off any one. His love never fails. God never fails in His promises. His word is, "The mountains may depart, and the hills be removed; but my loving kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall my covenant of peace be removed, saith, Jehovah, that hath mercy on thee." This covenant of peace never has been broken with any one who trusted in God. But there are two parties to every covenant. God's promises are conditioned on our obedience. If we fail in our part, it is we who break the covenant. Then when the blessings promised do not come, we cannot say God has forsaken us. The truth is, we have forsaken God, and the blessings of His love have been withdrawn because we have rejected them.—Selected.

Men's Bible Class

For the Social meeting held on December 21, 1916, the Committee was fortunate in securing as the speaker, Mr. William Meehan, who is in charge of the District Fisheries. His address on "Fish" contained much new and novel information, while his "fish stories" were very unusual and amusing. His address was one of the most interesting that has been delivered before the Class.

Following his remarks we were treated to some clever sketch work and several good musical numbers, at the conclusion of which the Committee provided substantial refreshments.

The contest between the Red and the Blue Teams for securing the greater number of new members resulted in a victory for the Red Team. That Team therefore, will be entertained by the Blues at the Class Dinner on January 17.

With the beginning of the New Year the campaign for new members takes another form. Five men will be selected to act as captains of five teams. Each captain will have under him two lieutenants and four assistants. This will afford an opportunity for a larger number of men participating in the contest, and it is expected will produce even greater results than the contest which has just ended. The names of the captains will be announced later.

It is the earnest desire of the officers of the Class to have an average attendance of 100 every Sunday morning. The fact that the membership is steadily increasing is the best indication possible that the Sunday morning lessons are both interesting and instructive. Again, we urge the men of the Parish to take advantage of this hour of Bible study feeling sure that if you come to our Class once you will want to come again. Make a special effort to come next Sunday morning at 9.45 sharp.

G. W. H.

Subscribers to the Chimes

Since the last issue of the Chimes the following persons are credited with subscriptions: Mrs. John Armstrong, Mrs. Stiver, Miss Rebecca Geib, Mrs. A. H. Jones, Miss Scudder.

Fifty-five more subscriptions are required to guarantee the publication of the Chimes to next June. Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Mr. R. H. Gurley, 257 Harvey street, or to the Rector. Subscribe now.

An Event in the Parish

The annual banquet of the Men's Bible Class took place, Wednesday night, January 17th, in the Parish House. It was an event. Warden McKenty's speech will not be forgotten. He had the truth—the truth which he had learned not from books, but from the lives of men. His message to men as to the necessity of reality in the personal life was given in terms which were plain, simple and straight from the shoulder and he held his audience in closest attention for over an hour. It was a privilege to hear him. The other speakers reinforced the argument of Mr. McKenty's speech and every man present was impressed with the fact that membership in and efforts for the success of a Bible Class was activities, worthy of the sincere interest of every virile man.

Other features of the program were the singing of a quartet of perfective ministers—students from the Divinity School in West Philadelphia; the musical programs rendered by a capable and very obliging orchestra and by Mr. Hugh Prendergast who is a real comedian.

The Class desires to mention to the men who were not there that they missed something worth while. Ask the man who was there. There were, by actual count, 103 of them. The question now is not, "Will you join our class?" but, "In justice to the best for yourself—can you afford to miss the benefit this class would be to you?" Come over Sunday at 9.45 a. m. "It will pay you to pay us a visit."

Sunday School Teachers' Supper

At the next monthly meeting of Christ Church Sunday School Teachers on Tuesday evening, February 6th, a supper will be served in the Parish House, after which an interesting "symposium" will be held on "Sunday School Methods and Needs."

All Sunday School Teachers and officers are expected to be present.

The Sunday School Christmas Carol Service was held in the church on Christmas eve. The carols selected by the committee were unusually beautiful this year and were heartily sung by the school. The Primary Department especially distinguished themselves. The attendance at this service, however, was not quite equal to that of last year.

At the Entertainment in the Parish House there was a very large attendance. Of course Santa Claus was present on this occasion and distributed presents to all the good boys and girls.

It was especially gratifying to note the large number of parents present on this occasion.

The parents of the Sunday School scholars and all members of the Parish are cordially invited to visit Christ Church Sunday School at the Sunday morning sessions. The school and Bible classes meet at 9.45.

Sunday School Monthly Church Service

On the first Sunday in each month the Sunday School assembles in the church for a half hour before the usual session in the Parish House. The object of this monthly Church Service is to familiarize the scholars of the school with the service of the Church and to teach them the use of the Prayer Book. This is a very necessary part of the instruction of the young and parents should co-operate with the authorities of the school in this important matter.

Parents are invited to attend this service with their children.

Beginning on the first Sunday in February the Church bell will be rung at 9.40 a. m. for the Morning Prayer, which will follow at 9.45 sharp.

The service at eleven o'clock, on the first Sunday of each month will be the Celebration of the Holy Communion, with sermon.

Additional Envelope Subscribers

During the past month several persons have applied for envelopes and have pledged themselves to give a weekly subscription to the church.

It is very encouraging to note that the worshippers in Christ Church are more

and more beginning to realize their *personal* responsibility of helping, according to their ability, to support the work. And this steady, gradual increase in the number of envelope subscribers is being brought about by no special effort on the part of the Vestry or Rector. It is simply a healthy, growing sentiment among the people of the Parish that *every* one, child and adult alike, should do his or her share by a systematic and conscientious giving and should consider it, not only a duty, but a privilege to help on, in every way possible, the spread of the Kingdom of God upon earth. It is the way the Bible tells us to do. "Let every one of you (individually) lay by him in store on the first day of the week (systematically) as God hath prospered him (proportionately) I Cor. 26, 2.

"If thou hast much give plentifully; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gathereth thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity."

"He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plentifully shall reap plentifully. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his own heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. IX. 6, 7.

Attention is again called to the fact that a fee of 25 cents per month is expected from all using the gymnasium in the Parish House for athletic purposes. This money is to cover the running expenses of the room. Some have already paid and all are expected to. The treasurer of the Association will consider it a favor if you will come forward with the sum instead of waiting to be asked each month.

Junior Brotherhood

On account of the near approach of mid-year examinations which calamity will visit both the Director of the Chap-Brotherhood, the meeting of the Junior Brotherhood, the meeting of the Junior Brotherhood, scheduled for Wednesday night, Jan. 24th, will be postponed until the 2d Wednesday of February, the 14th.

Tuesday, January 23rd

The attention of all interested in Athletics is called to a meeting to be held in the Parish House on Tuesday evening, January 23d at 8 o'clock sharp. A definite plan to include a basketball, volleyball, tennis and baseball team will be set before those present for consideration. This coming Spring and Summer should see a decided activity in the athletic affairs of the Parish. We have the grounds, the equipment and the people wanting to play—what we need is the start.

If you are interested in any of these sports above mentioned be sure to come to the meeting, Tuesday night, January 23d in the Parish House.

Members of the Athletic Association are notified hereby that their membership tickets run out, Feb. 1st and may be renewed after that date.

R. H. G.

The Sunday Evening Service

The attendance at the service on Sunday evening is exceedingly small. It ought to be twice or three times as large in number. The members of Christ Church ought to make it their duty to be present at this service. It is believed that they will do so if the service is made more hearty in character with canticles sung to simple music so that the congregation can join in the singing if the hymns are familiar to all.

This will be hereafter the character of the Evening Prayer—a short service, simple music, familiar hymns, hearty congregational singing and a short, quiet talk by the Rector on some vital subject bearing upon the practical every day life of busy men and women.

It is certain that the evening service will be helpful to all who attend. The Rector asks that the members of the Parish will co-operate in the endeavor to increase the attendance at the Sunday Evening Service by being present themselves and by bringing others to the service.

The service begins at 7.45 and will be one hour in length.

Mother's Meeting

There were big "goings on" in the Parish House on Tuesday afternoon, January 9th. The members of the Mothers' Meeting were treated to their usual Christmas dinner.

It was a dinner fit to be set before forty queens, and no queen ever enjoyed a dinner more than these mothers.

After a short talk by the Rector, the members were treated to selections by home talent. Mrs. Buckby, eighty-five years old, gave an exhibition of the "highland fling dance of the debutants of seventy years ago. It 'brought down' the house and also the dancer. She finally recovered sufficiently to speak several pieces, learned in her childhood. Mrs. Case also read a very amusing selection. After these selections of local talent, a professional entertainer made the meeting a merry gathering.

It was great, big good time all round and everyone present had a very pleasant afternoon.

As "tokens of respect and affection" the Mothers presented to Mrs. Arndt and Mrs. Rowley, who have charge of the meeting, two very pretty cereal bowls. These presents were highly appreciated by the recipients.

The Directresses were assisted at the dinner by a number of ladies of the Parish. The happy occasion ended by a hearty vote of thanks extended by the Mothers to the ladies who provided the dinner and to all who generously contributed to make it such a great success.

There was only one note of sadness. Touching allusions were made to the long, faithful friend of the Mothers, the Rev. Dr. Falkner, whom every Mother dearly loved. He had been their friend, for many years, had helped them in their hours of need and had strengthened and comforted them in time of trouble and sorrow. His memory will be always blessed in the hearts of the poor of the Parish.

Allusions were also made to three Mothers, members of the meeting, who have died during the past year, Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Hurst and Mrs. Brooks. These were among the oldest and most faithful members and they are greatly missed at the weekly meetings of the Mothers.

Women's Auxiliary

An interesting monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary was held in the Parish House on the first Thursday in January. Funds were raised toward the payment of a Deaconess for work among colored people at S. Barnabas Mission, Germantown and contributions were made for the Women's Aid of the Germantown Convocation.

The next monthly meeting of the Auxiliary will be held the first Thursday morning in February, (the 8th) at 10.30 o'clock.

Plans will be made at this meeting for the work during Lent.

It is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Every woman in the Parish is cordially invited and urged to become a member of the Women Auxiliary, to the Board of Missions.

Come to the meeting Thursday morning, February 1st, at 10.30 o'clock in the Parish House and enlist your interest in the greatest work of the Church—Missions!

Church Periodical Club

Do the people of Christ Church know how much good they can do, if they will agree to send their magazines and periodicals to persons in the far away parts of the country, who do not have an abundance of reading matter nor money to purchase it? If, after reading your magazine or periodical you will send it to some person who will appreciate it, you can get an address of an appreciative recipient if you will apply to The Secretary of the Periodical Club, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, 430 Locust Ave., Germantown. Do it now.

The Boys' Brigade still has room in its ranks for a few live, energetic boys. Come in and get ready for the big camp expedition this summer.

The Greek word for private, peculiar to myself, unrelated to the thought or interest of anybody else, is our word for idiot.

Those lives which have thrown themselves into the furrow, committed themselves to the great forces of God, make the world happy and they are happy. That is the secret of all great lives. Are you looking for soft places, for prizes and benefits for yourselves? Give it up. Are you looking for some one to help and bless with your lives? Then you have turned your faces not only manward, but Godward.

Some persons say they can live as correct lives outside of the Church as in it. Do they realize that they are living on an inheritance of morality and respectability handed down from previous generations? There is a great deal of this left-over piety in the world bequeathed by godly ancestors, earned by father or grandfather, and easily squandered.—*Bishop Babcock.*

The Christian Year in Rhyme

At the beginning of the Christian Year it would be well for the parents in the Parish to require their children to commit to memory the following rhyme, of the Christian Year: Advent tells us Christ is near, Christmas tells us Christ is here, In Epiphany we trace All the Glory of His Grace. Those three Sundays before Lent Will prepare us to repent; That in Lent we may begin Earnestly to mourn for sin. Holy Week and Easter then Tell who Died and Rose again. On that happy Easter Day! 'Christ is risen, indeed,' we say Yes, and Christ ascended too, 'To prepare a place for you.' So we give Him special praise, After those 'Great Forty Days.' Then He sent the Holy Ghost, On the Day of Pentecost, With us ever to abide, Well may we keep Whitsuntide. Last of all, we humbly sing Glory to Our God and King, Glory to the One in Three, On the Feast of Trinity.

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To Every Member of Christ Church
My Dear Friends:

The Holy Season of Lent has come once more, when the Church bids us consecrate the time to religious retirement, self-denial, and spiritual improvement. It is possible—and alas! is too often the case—to allow these 'forty days and forty nights' to pass away without securing any particular blessing. But far otherwise let it be this year with each one of us. Let this Holy Season be characterized by the earnest desire to mould our minds and hearts to the Christ-like pattern; let us try to love Him more sincerely and obey Him more implicitly than ever before; let us try to overcome, by the grace of God, those sins of selfishness, indifference, and worldliness that daily confront our immortal souls. Lent is our penitential season; there should, therefore, be no "parties," no theaters, no feasting, but a conscientious withdrawal from the world and from all its attractions and amusements; and, instead, the time devoted

to public worship, private prayer, the study of God's Holy Word, to abstinence and fasting, and to increased activity in deeds of mercy and love for our dear Master's sake. The list of services is intended to assist you in this religious work, and is arranged to meet, as far as possible, your different needs and circumstances. I earnestly hope that you will attend as many of these services as you possibly can, and, especially, as many of you as are Communicants, will gladly remember the Holy Feast of the Altar for the strengthening and refreshment of your immortal souls. All the days of Lent should have a character different from all other days, and Good Friday especially should remind you of your Saviour's tender love and death at Calvary. And when these solemn days have passed away and glorious Easter dawns once more, let your Offering express to a loving Heavenly Father your appreciation of His many mercies and goodness.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,
Charles Henry Arndt.

The Purpose of Lent—Fasting and Prayer

Lent is the season of self-denial that has been observed from the early Christian era as a following of the example of Christ's fasting forty days in the desert. It is a season of special devotion. It is a season of special prayer, fasting and charitable deeds.

Prayer is the fellowship of God. Lent is the call of the Church to her children to bring prayer into the life of the generation; to lead the generation to prayer that brings contrition, to contrition that can see no hope save through our Redeemer, to hope that lives in the faith of the crucified, risen Christ.

The theory of fasting is based on two principles: First, the great spiritual importance of the body and, second, the danger which threatens the spiritual life through the body. Hence the motive of fasting is respect and reverence for the body, not disregard or neglect of it, and the object of fasting is spiritual efficiency, that is, the bringing of the body to a condition of ready submission to, and effective service of, spiritual and religious ideals and duties. Lent is the call of the Church to all to curb the appetite and crucify the flesh till Good Friday is seen in its divine necessity, the holy Sacrifice for the healing of a stricken race, and Easter shines forth, the victory of Christ over sin and the grave.

Charity, which not only embraces almsgiving, but also tolerance, should be emphasized during the forty days. The virtue which, as the Apostle St. Peter tells us, "shall cover the multitude of sins" needs to be brought into constant practical use at this period when, with the aid of Christ, the true believer is trying to rise to a higher spiritual altitude. Without charity to his neighbor it is folly for the follower of Jesus of Nazareth to expect charity to be extended to himself.

Lent is the call of the Church to all to exercise that charity which St. Paul says is greater than faith or hope.

Confirmation

Confirmation—the word itself tells its place in each Christian life. It ratifies and confirms the views already taken in Baptism. Deliberately, once more, the enlisted soldier of Christ repeats, before the Church and the world the oath he has already sworn, or that was taken in his name in his infancy by loved ones who would make the tender life develop as the life of a "child of God." Now, he pledges himself to stand by the promises made, to be true to them in evil report and good and so confirms them to his own soul and conscience before God and man.

Confirmation "is a land-mark in the Christian life, a solemn hour, to which memory turns to the latest day; a new and conscious enlistment; a revival of all the old faiths and pledges; the coming to the full stature of a Christian man or woman; the coming of age in Christ's Kingdom; the band which binds youth, in the midst of its temptations, to the altar of God, that it may stand bound in manhood and in age."

Not only does man confirm, but God confirms His grace to that soul. In the appointed way, one seeks the appointed blessing, and coming sincerely, he finds it. "The spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true bodliness and holy fear"—all the manifold gifts of full Christian manhood await him as he bows to receive them, assured by this sign and seal—"the laying on of hands."

Confirmation is doubly worthy of the name it bears. Man confirms and God confirms. Man confirms his baptismal vows, his penitence and faith, his trust and promises. God confirms his mercy and love, and the pledge of his unfailing word to guard and succor and strengthen that soul with the indwelling of his eternal Spirit.

Who would not seek this two-fold confirmation—the fixing of human resolution and determination and the reception of "God's help" in keeping them—the daily growth in Christian grace by the presence and guidance of the promised Spirit in our hearts—the blessing at the chancel rail confirming the blessing at the font.

Do We Believe in Prayer?

Somebody asked us if we believe in prayer. They might ask if we believe in breathing. A Christian without prayer would be worse than a bird without wings. Prayer? Thank God for prayer, for the hundreds of promises which encourage prayer, the answers to prayers recorded in the Bible and for the experiences of the saints of God, which prove that God answers prayer. The first thing we remember in our life is prayer. In the earliest childhood prayer in child-like faith was enjoyed, and through the many years of a Christian life prayer has been the refuge and the delight. All along as the years come and go, nearing home, prayer has become a greater reality, a greater joy, and a greater power in our life. To think that we should stop praying and casting ourselves with all our need upon Himself, is impossible to realize. To cultivate a constant spirit and attitude of prayer ought to be the aim of every child of God. As we move about, work or rest, the heart may be in His presence.

And we believe in the prayer of intercession. Praying one for another and for all the Saints is a blessed privilege. It is one of the joys of our Christian life, to pray for our beloved ones by name and we are conscious that hundreds of God's people mention us before the throne of Grace.

And may we pray for our beloved ones who are with Jesus in Paradise? Certainly! It is comforting to learn that at the last General Convention of our Church, provision was made, in the new revision of our Prayer Book, for prayers for the departed. We all, who have lost loved ones for whom we prayed whilst they were with us on earth, cannot cease our prayers for them, now that they are no longer with us in the flesh. They are still close to us when we are in Communion with Jesus. Why should we not pray for them? Our hearts cannot help going out to them and for them in prayer. And they!—surely they, who loved us here, and prayed for us, love us still and are praying for us now, that they are in the fuller presence of Jesus.

tify to its wonderful helpfulness and inspiration.

The Lenten Sunday Evening Service

The attention of the men of the Parish is called to the series of Sunday evening services which will be held during the Lenten season. Special speakers have been secured and one has but to look over the list of those who are to speak to realize that we are peculiarly fortunate in securing these men to speak at these services.

At the 1st service, the speaker will be the Rev. Geo. B. Bartlett, Dean of the Divinity School in West Philadelphia. Dean Bartlett has been instrumental in securing the new site for the school, an event in the history of this our "School of the Prophets" of great significance. The Dean is a man whose vigorous personality is expressed clearly in his address and the men here ought not to miss this opportunity to hear him. When we remember that our Rector is a graduate of this School class of 1892, and his assistant at present a student there, it brings us closer

The Vestry Letter

The Vestry will soon issue a letter to the members of the Congregation, setting forth the financial condition and the needs of the Parish. It is earnestly desired that not only the customary deficit in the current expenses should be fully met at this coming Easter but that an extraordinary effort be made to greatly reduce the debt on the Parish House. This debt can be very soon wiped entirely out, if our people, one and all, will determine, even at the greatest personal sacrifice, to do it. Surely the same spirit of self-sacrifice which the people of Church Church have always shown in the past, will not be lacking during this coming Lent and Easter Day! Let every one make a heroic effort to cancel the Parish House debt of \$3500 on Easter Day.

Our fourth Sunday evening, March 18th, gives us the pleasure of a visit from one of our neighbors—the Rev. Mr. Moore, Rector of Calvary Church, Germantown. Mr. Moore is one of the most practical and forcible preachers in Germantown. This is the first opportunity that the people of Christ Church have had to hear Mr. Moore and we are sure that he will receive a cordial welcome.

The Rev. Dr. Yerkes of the Church of the Transfiguration of West Philadelphia will be our fifth and the last of our special Lenten Service speakers. Dr. Yerkes is a Professor in the old Testament Department of the Divinity School and a recognized authority on the laws, customs and languages of ancient peoples. Because of this he is all the more alive and forceful in his present day work. A man of scholarship and rare intellectual ability his message will convey to every hearer a lesson of practical and present benefit.

We could not improve upon our selection of speakers and also as we are going to use the old familiar hymns and put into the service all we can of earnest spiritual effort, well, Mr. Man, we don't ask you—"Are you coming to these services?"—we ask you "Can you afford to miss anyone of them?"

Get a printed program from any member of the Men's Bible Class under whose auspices these services are to be held and by attendance upon these services, make your Lenten season of real and lasting benefit to your life and to the lives of all with whom you associate, "that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

R. H. G.

Singers Wanted for the Lenten Choir

All persons who are willing to volunteer to help in the singing at the daily services during Lent are asked to give their names to Mrs. Topliffe Johnson or to the Rector. Daily evening Prayer will be held every afternoon, except Wednesday, at 4.45. If persons will select certain afternoons in the week and agree to be present on these days their services will be greatly ap-

preciated. It is hoped that enough persons will volunteer that we may have a good sized choir at every afternoon service. Please send your names in at once.

Daily Lenten Prayers

The Rector asks that members of the Parish will include in their daily prayers the following:

A Prayer for the Parish

O Almighty and merciful God, who doth govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of thy servants and grant unto our Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful (especially) visit and relieve the sick, (especially) turn and soften the wicked (especially) arouse the careless and indifferent (especially) recover the fallen (especially) restore the penitent (especially) remove all hindrances to the advancement to Thy truth; and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy Blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for Missionaries

Almighty and most merciful God, we humbly beseech Thee, for the merits of Thy dear Son, to pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon all our missionaries at home and abroad, and to crown their labors with success in the gathering of souls into Thy Kingdom, to the honor and praise of Thy glorious Name, who art Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

For Our Nation

O Almighty God, we beseech thee to bless our country at this time. Give abundant grace to all who bear office throughout this land, that in all things we may be governed righteously and in thy fear; and grant to us not only such outward prosperity as is according to thy will, but above all things, such virtue and true religion that thy holy name may be ever glorified in the midst of us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Peace of the World

O God who art the author of peace and lover of concord, direct the course of this world in accordance with thy will, take away whatsoever hinders the nations from unity and concord, prosper all counsels which make for the restoration of a rightful and abiding peace, and do thou, O God, who makest wars to cease, bring again in thine own time the blessing of peace to all nations; for the sake of him who is the Prince of Peace, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

For the Overruling of the Present Distress to the advancement of God's Kingdom

O Almighty God, who canst bring good out of evil and makest even the wrath of man to turn to thy praise; we beseech thee so to order and dispose the issues of this conflict that the people of the world may be united in a firmer fellowship for the promotion of thy glory and the good of all mankind. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Mid-Day Prayer

Blessed Saviour, who at this hour didst hang upon the Cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look unto Thee and be saved, through Thy mercies and merits who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Lenten Reading

The Rector recommends the following devotional reading for Lent:

"The Conquest of Trouble and the Peace of God." By Bishop Brent, price 50 cents.
"Life's Journey." By Bishop Montgomery. With Introduction by the Bishop of London. Price ninety cents.

"The Wondrous Passion." By Rev. F. W. Drake, with Introduction by the Bishop of London, price ninety cents.

"The Faith of the Cross." By Bishop Rhinelander, price \$1.20.

"The Sacred Way." By Rev. Jesse Brett, price \$1.20.

"Considerations for Lent." By Vernon Staley, price sixty cents.

"Studies in the Passion of Jesus Christ." by Rev. Charles Henry Robinson, price ninety cents and twenty five cents.

"The More Abundant Life," by Phillips Brooks, price \$1.25.

"The Way"—A Book for Boys, by Geo. Wharton Pepper, price fifty cents.

"Turning Point of English Church History," by Ed. L. Cult, D. D., price \$1.25.

"Turning Points of General Church History," same author, price \$1.25.

"The Layman's History of Church of England," (elementary) G. R. Balleine, price fifty cents.

"History of the Book of Common Prayer," Proctor, price \$2.95.

"Geibel's Life of Christ."

The following books will also be found profitable reading:

"History of the American Episcopal Church," by Rev. S. D. McConnell, D. D.

"The Oxford Movement," by Dean Church.

"The Episcopal Church in America," by Dean Hodges.

"A Spiritual Pilgrimage," by Rev. A. J. Campbell, (late pastor of the London Temple.)

Envelope Subscribers

The new term of the Envelope Subscriptions begins at Easter time. The list of subscribers through the envelope system has increased over last year, but there still are a number of people in the Parish who are not subscribers. Every attendant of Christ Church should give regularly and systematically to the support of the work of the Parish. Every one should be willing to do his or her share—even if the weekly amount is small. It is the willing co-operation on the part of every one that is wanted.

So let every person in the parish, every member of every family, children and adult, be a subscriber and do his or her part. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger. Please mark on the card the amount you are willing to give, weekly or monthly, sign your name and address and place it on the alms basin at any service or send it to the Rector.

A package of envelopes will then be sent to you for your offerings.

It is hoped that now at this Lenten Season, every one will make a resolve to be a regular subscriber.

Subscriptions should be made both to missions and to the Parish support.

Confirmation Instruction

Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church are being delivered every Friday evening at eight o'clock for adults and every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors, in the Parish House.

All persons, confirmed and not confirmed are cordially invited to these Instructions.

The Rector will be pleased to meet after any service or by special appointment any one who wishes to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation. He requests that all who are contemplating confirmation should give their names to him at once.

The Church Pension Fund

An offering was taken on Septuagesima Sunday, at which time many of our people contributed to this object, and we would urge that all do something, however small the contribution may be, keeping in mind that a small yearly pledge, which will not inconvenience the giver, will be of more benefit to the Fund than would a single larger contribution.

To put forth an argument in defence of being provident, or to attempt to convince the general public of the correctness of the principle upon which is based insurance or pensions, would seem in this age to be entirely superfluous. Yet strange as it may seem, the Church, the leader of thought, is not so far advanced in these practices of right and justice as many wholly business or political organizations. But this is probably just what might have been expected of the Church and its ministers. They have gone on during the years and the centuries, giving and spending their lives for the cause to which they were called, without a forethought of themselves, and only when age or infirmities overtook them were they brought to the stern reality that the physical life needs, demands and must have certain care and attention. And all too often it was then too late to retrace steps taken while about their Father's business, had they even thought of doing so, and their age or infirmities became a double handicap, preventing their continuing their active ministry and denying to them the ability to care for their physical needs.

The Church has, however late, awakened, not so much to the claims of its servants, but to imperative necessity of being right, of being just, of being an example of how the good and faithful servant should be treated, rather than to leave such acts of equity and justice to those who claim no especial spiritual light to guide them in their acts toward their fellow man.

The Church Pension Fund is now well on its way toward a sure foundation, and the time has almost arrived when the corner stone, the \$5,000,000 pledged fund to meet the needs of

those already, or who will be in the next few years, incapacitated, being almost entirely subscribed.

But there are still many who as yet have had no part in this corner stone laying.

Surely everyone, who feels that the Church, if nothing more to them, is the influence which makes for all that is good, all that is comfortable, and all that is safe in our communities, will want to have some part in this undertaking.

An urgent appeal is made to all who have not yet contributed or pledged an offering to this worthy object. Contributions and pledges may be sent before March 1st to the Rector or to the Parish treasurer of the fund, Mr. U. G. Rowley, 6368 Sherman St., Germantown. U. G. R.

The Altar Guild

The monthly meetings of the Altar Guild continue as usual. With the Christmas season over, we are now looking forward to Lent when all the committees will be busy looking after the daily services.

Plans will be made at the next meeting for the annual supper, which will be held very shortly.

The Guild regrets the resignation of Margaret F. Falkner, owing to her marriage on January 27th to Mr. Harry Reichner.

Mrs. Charles Cotton has full charge of the linens.

The Altar Committees for March are as follows:

March 2-9: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

March 9-16: Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

March 16-23: Misses Cooley, E. Maneer, Mogridge, Gerhard.

March 23-30: Misses Dean, Falkner. G. F. D.

The Woman's Auxiliary

The longing of every thoughtful Christian woman to be of some use in the world, outside of her own immediate circle of family and friends, has been most satisfactorily met by the church in her various activities for women.

Sunday School

New classes are being formed in the Primary Department. Two trained teachers have volunteered to help in the work. The absolute pre-requisite to success when using the Christian Nurture Course of lessons is that the Teacher must prepare very much more thoroughly than was considered essential under the old system. With small classes and competent teachers thoroughly prepared and imbued with a passion for the work no wonder that the Primary Department is asking for more room. A change will have to be made and a larger room provided for the Primary and Beginner's Classes.

The Junior Department is now entirely in shape under the new system of teaching. Perhaps it is a little early to talk of results but one thing is sure and can be seen at once by the most casual observer. The classes using the new system show the most attention to the work. In fact they are so busy all the time that they have little leisure for mischief.

Several new classes are being formed in the Senior Department. Here we need three or four more teachers who will be prepared to take up this most important part of the School work.

How to keep the boys and girls in the school during the 'teen age is the question now before all Superintendents. Many scholars from our Senior Department have graduated into the Bible Classes. We are not complaining on this score, we know they are being well cared for. We have fine quarters for our Senior Department with plenty of room for four or five more classes. If we had the earnest devoted teachers the boys and girls can be found, but there must be steady persistent thoughtful work on the part of the teachers or scholars will be on the absent list. The 'teen age scholars are free now and they know it. They are no longer under the Law and Order supervision of the Home and the teaching in the Sunday School must be attractive or they won't come.

First Class Teachers willing to give time and thought to this work are needed.

The organization which most fully realizes these dreams and offers the broadest outlet is perhaps the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

The work has been thoroughly systematized and for convenience has been divided into five departments, viz:

The Diocesan, The Domestic, The Colored, The Indian, called "the Indian Hope," and The Foreign. The Diocesan is divided into the various Conventions. Ours is the Convocation of Germantown. The Church Periodical Club is also a part of the Woman's Auxiliary. Here is an intensely interesting and world-wide opportunity offered to every woman in the Church. We can give of our means, which is the very least and smallest thing that we can do. We can work for Missions and we can pray for them. The last is really the most important, for if we pray we must also work and give or our prayers are as naught.

Will not every woman in our Parish resolve now to identify herself with this Missionary Society, the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions and do what she can.

During Lent the Auxiliary will meet in the Parish House every Wednesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to every woman in the Parish to attend these meetings.

A. M. M.

Girls Friendly

The Girls Friendly are now commencing their Lenten work which will take the same form as that of last year and for many years, making Layingettes. In addition to this they will make bandages and other supplies under the instruction and guidance of the Visiting Nurses Association.

A change will be made in the management of the Friendly this year. Miss Morgan will not be able to give so much of her time as in former years. Mrs. Aull, Mrs. Bland and Mrs. Robinson have consented to take charge of the Society for two or three meetings each month.

P. M.

We wait for volunteers. Please signify your willingness to the Rector or Superintendent.

G. T. M.

Consult the List of Services

On another page will be found in full the list of Special services for the Forty Days of Lent. Consult this list carefully. Select certain services from this list and make a firm resolution that, God willing, you will be regular and faithful in your attendance. Be in earnest! Let nothing, but God's will, swerve you from your determination!

The Lenten Fast

How forcibly did the early Christians feel themselves called, once at least each year, in an especial manner to chasten their souls by prayer and fasting, that they might thus be compelled to realize the nature of His earthly existence. Who was truly "a Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief!" But if this was necessary for them, how much more so is it for us! Educated from the earliest dawn of reason, to hear the story of redeeming love, and the fearful manner in which our salvation was wrought out, these themes become to us subjects too well known to excite attention. It is indispensable, therefore, that the mind should be directed and fixed upon them. And how admirably is this done by the appointed service of the Church. Week after week, we are led in her prayers and lessons to contemplate these solemn mysteries until when Holy Week arrives, the recital is each day repeated. We witness the bitter agony of the Son of God, in the Garden of Gethsemane. We stand by the Patient Sufferer's side when arraigned in the Hall of Pilate. We follow Him to Calvary as He painfully toils along amidst the scoff and jeers of an infuriated mob. We gather round the Cross, and hear that last expiring cry, which shrouded the Heavens in darkness, and startled even the sleeping

dead in their tombs. Hard, indeed, must be that heart—yes, utterly "past feeling"—which amid scenes like these, is not awakened to gratitude and devotion. He can be no true follower of the Lord whose spirit does not "burn within him" as he thus contemplates the mighty price at which his redemption was purchased, or whose resolution is not strengthened, to live for that Master who died a death of shame for him.

A Prayer for a Friend Out of Sight

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, in Whose embrace all creatures live, in whatsoever world or condition they be; I beseech Thee for him whose name and dwelling place and every need Thou knowest. Lord, vouchsafe him light and rest, peace and refreshment, joy and consolation, in Paradise, in the companionship of saints, in the presence of Christ, in the ample folds of Thy great love.

Grant that his life (so troubled here) may unfold itself in Thy sight, and find a sweet employment in the spacious fields of eternity. If he hath ever been hurt or maimed by any unhappy word or deed of mine, I pray Thee of Thy great pity to heal and restore him, that he may serve Thee without hindrance.

Tell him, O gracious Lord, if it may be, how much I love him and miss him and long to see him again; and if there be ways in which he may come, vouchsafe him to me as a guide and guard, and grant me a sense of his nearness, in such degree as Thy laws permit.

If in aught I can minister to his peace, be pleased of Thy love to let this be; and mercifully keep me from every act which may deprive me of the sight of him as soon as our trial-time is over, or mar the fulness of our joy when the end of the days hath come.

Pardon, O gracious Lord and Father, whatsoever is amiss in this my prayer, and let Thy will be done; for my will is blind and erring, but Thine is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " "

An Easter Greeting

With a heart full of love for every member of Christ Church my earnest prayer goes up to God that this happy Eastertide may bring to each soul the truest and highest Easter joy.

My prayer is for every soul, but more especially my heart's deepest sympathy and love and prayer go out at this time on behalf of those who are in trouble, those who are in sickness, and those who are on beds of pain; and to those to whom I have ministered during the past year, in sorrow and at the hour of death.

May this Easter bring to your hearts the hope and joy which come through the triumph over death of our Risen Lord, and may the peace, which He alone can give, comfort and sustain you in your trials and in your sorrows and through the valley of the shadow of death!

Affectionately your friend and rector
Charles Henry Arndt.

The Events of Holy Week

The period of our Lord's ministry extended over three years, each day of which was full to overflowing with deeds of kindness and love and power. Four Evangelists seek to tell the story of that life. They select here and there significant events, but they were examples only, for if the things which Jesus did were told every one, St. John says, "that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written." When, however, they narrate the events of the last week of our Saviour's earthly life, they dwell in minutest detail upon each step of that suffering way until the spirit and power of those few days are indelibly engraved upon every heart.

Its events touch the sympathetic chord in every human heart. The story of Gethsemane and Calvary has caused the most passionate devotion for nearly nineteen centuries. It is a theme of universal interest because it tells of the greatest degree in which love can be manifested—"that a man lay down

his life for his friends." The sufferings and death of Christ tell the sweetest story of devotion human ear ever heard: "Jesus died for me, to manifest His love." "He died to take away the sin of the world."

At the early Communion on each morning during the week (except Good Friday and Saturday) an account of His Passion will be recited at the altar.

At each afternoon service there will be read the Sacred Events of the day. As we shall read each day with increasing interest the story of His suffering our hearts will respond more and more to that love. Just as naturally as affection prompts us to keep in mind and follow hour by hour some dear one on a journey, so we follow day by day the Events of Holy Week—those days of gathering gloom about "the Man of sorrows," as He draws nearer and nearer to Calvary. Upon its varied scenes the devout Christian concentrates his thought and affection, and when at last in the twilight of Good Friday he stands—yea, kneels—at the foot of that Cross whereon our Saviour died, gazing in wonder and amazement upon that awful tragedy, he is ready with a heart melted to tenderness to offer and present to his dear Redeemer his own life—soul and body—"to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice" to Him and His service.

Easter Communion

Every one, of course—every one, who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to do so, will, of course attend Divine Service on Easter Day! It would be worse than foolish even to suggest that any Christian will remain away from His Father's House on Easter Day. Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book which says, "Every Parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian soul, who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection, would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with Jesus on that great Day, joining in the triumphal song "Christ is Risen from the Dead and become the first fruits of them that slept!"

Every member of the Church will

devote these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.

Easter

"Christ is risen!" Such is the shout which encircles the earth, as this morning's sun wakes up the world! Today ten thousand temples are crowded; ten thousand voices sing, "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast!" The Font and Altar are decorated with flowers, emblems of the Resurrection, and of our faith in the promises—Isaiah xxxli. 19, and Hosea xiv. 5. These flowers, after the solemnities of the day, are sent to the sick, and others who have not been permitted, by Providence, to visit the temple. Surely, if ever it is right to use such demonstrations of joy as the disciples did of old, when they plucked down branches of the trees, and threw their robes in the way, it is on this festival, which Prophecy itself has proclaimed to us, in the words, "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Year after year, as this glorious strain begins, we find ourselves wishing it may not be over too soon, and then, as it dies away, regretting that a year must pass ere we hear it again. Let us reflect that possibly we shall hear it, and sing it to the glory of the risen Redeemer, never again on earth.

Gospel of the Resurrection

The earthly life of Jesus Christ had utterly failed to establish a faith that could survive His death. He had spoken, it is true, as never man had spoken before. He had gone about doing good. He had performed many mighty works, so the records tell us. The blind had been led to see, the deaf to hear, the lepers had been cleansed, the dead had been raised, and to the poor the Gospel had been preached. He had swayed the hearts of the common people so that they could not be shaken off. They had been willing—yea, clamored—to make Him their King. Then, too, those twelve intimate friends, who had been with him from the beginning, gave themselves entirely to Him. They had no other stay upon whom to lean. "Lord, to whom shall we go, for Thou hast the words of eternal life."

Yet all this went for nothing under the crush of the cross. The crowd who had followed Him whithersoever He went had seen Him hanged on the tree, reviled as a malefactor, powerless to save Himself under the taunt: "If Thou be the Son of God come down from the cross and we will believe."

The friends lay hidden in despair. They had trusted; they could trust no more. Every hope was blotted out, all was gone. They lay dumb, stunned, dead. Such was the end of our Lord's earthly career. So far as the effect of that life was concerned the upper chamber where the eleven crouched was the end. There was nothing more to come of it, nothing more to be said or done. They could but go home to die.

The impulse, therefore, which constitutes Christianity is not to be found within the four points of our Lord's recorded life on earth. So far as that went, and if that were all, there would be no such thing as Christianity at all. Christianity dates itself from one event—and one event only—the Resurrection. There is no other origin for it. In that lies its creative force. It is the Gospel of the Resurrection. The cross and passion which had wiped out the meaning of the earthly career and had buried it in a darkness that could be felt, now became, through the illumination of the Resurrection, the seat and center of the glory in which all the light was focused.

We may preach Christ our Peace and our Joy only because His death has been taken up into the risen life and transmuted by its splendor, so that we may be changed from Glory to Glory in the face of Jesus Christ. The cross has power to save only as the cross of the Risen Lord.

The Resurrection, then, is Christianity. From it our religion dates itself. In it lies our whole germinal Gospel. It presented itself to the disciples as the one fact in which the universe arrived at self interpretation. It was no accidental and detached event that had come merely to relieve their sorrow, or to assure them of their Master's safe survival after death. In it the divided pieces of the puzzle of existence fell together—everything suddenly became coherent, intelligible, satisfying. Thus only in the light

of the Resurrection did Calvary become a crucifix. Easter, and Easter alone, transformed the death of shame into the symbol of Divine love.

Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.—Selected.

His Gift of Love to the Dead—An Easter Suggestion

A kind friend has sent to the Rector the following touching account of a gift of love to the dead. It is an example worthy of imitation. It is an appropriate Easter suggestion. The account is as follows: "An old man came to the home of a certain clergyman the other day and laid down \$150.00 'to help out some needy family.' Then he told this story:

"Years ago, when all of my folks were living, I couldn't afford to give presents. Things are different now, but most of my folks have gone. I went shopping, just as if my folks were alive. I picked out a shawl for an aunt of mine. She's dead and so I didn't buy it, but I put down the amount of money I would have spent. Then I went and got some things for my dead brother and for my father and mother and for a few old friends of mine. I didn't really get them, you know, but I priced the things I thought they would like. When I added up all the money I would have spent it came to almost \$150, so I added a little to it, and here it is."

Has any one heard of a finer, more beautiful way of showing a man's love for his dead? The things he had wanted to do it was too late to do now. He might, it is true, have spent money on stone to make more artificial and melancholy the quiet hillside where "his folks" rest. He found a better way to spend his affection, to remember in fancy those he could no longer reach and then to see that his loving memory of them went to make others happier. He made his love for his dead a power to gladden the living. He laid tribute on grief and made it a blessing. It is not a sad story. But is an experience which will bring comfort to any sad life—the comfort which comes to the sad and sorrowful in remembering the dead by a gift of love to the living. It is an example worthy of imitation at this Easter Season.

Kalendar for April

April 1st—Sixth (Palm) Sunday in Lent.
 April 8th—EASTER DAY
 April 9th—Monday in Easter.
 April 10th—Tuesday in Easter.
 April 15th—First Sunday after Easter.
 April 22nd—Second Sunday after Easter.
 April 29th—St. Mark.
 April 29th—Third Sunday after Easter.

Services During Holy Week

Daily (except Good Friday and Saturday)

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
 Meditative Readings (On the Sacred Events of each day) 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday:

Holy Communion 9.30 P. M.
 Evening Service, Litany, Sermon, 8.00 P. M.

Thursday:

Confirmation followed by Communicants' Preparatory Service, (Conducted by the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Garland, D. D. 7.45 P. M.

Good Friday:

Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora, Address 10.30 A. M.
 Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross (Conducted by the Rev. Henry B. Bryan 12.00 M.-3.00 P. M.

Saturday. (Easter Even.)

Evening Prayer, Infant Baptism, 4.45 P. M.

Easter Day:

Holy Communion 6.30-7.30 A. M.
 Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 A. M.
 Sunday School, Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.

The flowers on the Altar on Easter Day will be in memory of loved ones in Paradise. All persons in the Parish who wish to remember their dear departed, are invited to send either contributions in money or flowers for that purpose. If money is sent to the President of the Altar Guild, Mrs. Henry E. Baremore, 6439 Jefferson Street, appropriate flowers will be purchased and placed on the altar as memorials.

Lilies and blooming plants are requested to be sent to the Parish House, not later than Saturday noon before Easter. Names should accompany each plant and donation.

Three Hour Service on Good Friday

A Three Hour Meditation on the Seven words from the Cross will be held in Christ Church on Good Friday, from 12 Noon to 3 P. M.. The Meditation will be by the Rev. Henry B. Bryan, who was at Christ Church during the past summer.

It is hoped that as many who can will be present during the entire three hours. Those who come in late or are required to leave before the service is over are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering at all services on Good Friday will be for Christian work among the Jews.

The Pension Fund

A duty well done, an act of justice well performed, and the sizing up to one's ideals bring a satisfaction and a gratification which far outweigh any effort or sacrifice necessary to attain the results.

The Church Pension Fund is a success. Its institution and operation is assured. Our aged and infirm clergy, and those of their loved ones dependent upon them, may now confidently regard the proverbial "wolf" as having been relegated to the dark ages.

The church has realized and met heroically its full responsibility in the matter, and to all who have been interested in the movement, it must be cheering indeed to know that the \$5,000,000 was raised. Yes, in two senses, it was raised and raised beyond the \$5,000,000.

Christ Church, by its committee, thought it ought to share in this laudable endeavor to the extent of \$2,000; at first thought a large sum, but we feel sure that our people will be more than pleased to learn that the committee has received cash and pledges amounting to \$1,980.00, and there are still some who desire to be numbered among the contributors who have not yet forwarded their intended pledges.

And in this undertaking our people have been generous, indeed; in fact, in some instances, where the resources of the donor was limited in the extreme the response to this call has been more than generous.

Your committee desires through The Chimes to thank all those who have contributed to, all those who were interested in, and all those who gave their sympathy to such a worthy cause, and to say that if any have deferred or have been prevented from contributing, desire to do so, donations may still be sent to the Rector or to the Treasurer of the Fund, Mr. U. G. Rowley, 6358 Sherman Street, Germantown.

A Letter from the Accounting Warden

To the Congregation:

The expenses of the Parish for salaries of Clergy, Choir and Sexton, fuel, lights, repairs, etc., are essential in order that each person may worship each Sunday.

If he or she decides not to come the services are had for such as do come.

It is plain therefore that each should contribute to the expenses an agreed weekly sum according as he or she is able to do.

The facts are that 252 persons, including a number of children, contribute for sittings and through envelopes \$5405.73 and the remaining ones, approximately 400 who attend our church contribute only \$685.91 by cash in the plate offerings, because they only contribute when they attend the service.

I am sure this is not because the latter desire others to support the church for their convenience but that they have been thoughtless in the matter.

Will not each man and woman and child in Christ Church therefore take an envelope and consistently pay a weekly sum, however small and thus be one of those who contribute weekly to the services of the church.

These envelopes will be furnished next Easter Sunday and may be had on application to the Rector, Mr. Gurly, the Accounting Warden or Mr. Richard H. Morris.

Very respectfully,

J. I. Morrison

Accounting Warden.

A Statement from the Vestry

Lent, 1917.

To the Congregation of Christ Church:

The Vestry submits to you the usual letter submitted at this time of the year showing the state of the Finances of the Church.

The report herewith appended embraces a period of a full year ending May 31st, 1917.

Our actual expenses for Parish purposes from June 1st, 1916 to February 16th, 1917 were \$6193.86

Estimated expenses from February 16th, 1917 to May 31st, 1917 2850.00

Expenses \$9043.86

Our actual receipts from June 1st 1916 to Feb. 16th, 1917 \$6210.95

Estimated receipts from February 16th, 1917 to May 31st, 1917 1429.91

Receipts \$7640.86

Expenses \$9043.86
 Receipts \$7640.86

Showing a Deficit of \$1403.00

Which the Vestry asks you to contribute as an Easter Offering.

May we not hope that the Offertory on Easter will reach the entire sum for which we ask so that the new Fiscal Year may be started free from current indebtedness.

It is also a great pleasure to announce that during the past year the mortgage debt has been reduced \$600, so that our Mortgage indebtedness is now \$3100. The monthly envelopes for this purpose have been generally used by the congregation and the result so earnestly desired will soon be accomplished if each one does his or her share by making these monthly payments, which can hardly be a burden on any one of our Congregation.

For your information, the Vestry herewith gives a detailed statement of the Expenditures and Income of the Parish for the term above named:

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$4212.00
Choir	1734.90
Taxes and Insurance	466.10
Fuel and Lights	568.76
Repairs and Improvements ..	521.48
Interest	246.85
Miscellaneous	646.86
Convocation of Germantown	325.00
Episcopal and Convention Funds,	285.95
Sustentation Fund	35.96

\$9043.86

INCOME

Pew Rents	\$2271.00
Envelope Offerings .	3134.73
Plate Offerings	685.97
Jeffries Fund	1450.16
Miscellaneous	99.00

\$7640.86

Deficit \$1403.00

Let each member of our Beloved Church aid, as God enables, and by self denial and in the spirit of generosity and love faithfully do his or her share to make our Easter Offering memorable in the history of our Parish.

Faithfully yours,

The Vestry of Christ Church.

The Rooster Has Lost His Head

Poor Rooster! He has roosted on the top of Christ Church steeple, has weathered the cold and storms of winter and the heat of summer for almost two score and ten years. How many interesting sights he has witnessed from his lofty pinnacle through these many years—and now he has been decapitated. One of the severe storms of the past month has taken away, not only his head, but also his body. He ought to be taken down and what is left of him, reverently buried. He deserves and has earned his rest.

He should be displaced by a more fitting symbol for a Church steeple, namely a cross. This, indeed, would be going back to the olden days of Christ Church, when the former church building, which was destroyed by its lofty steeple blowing down, was surmounted by a dignified cross over six feet in height. The present tower should have on it a cross, the symbol of the faith. This would be a fitting memorial to some faithful parishioner. Who would like to give it?

When Will this Incessant Begging for Money Cease?

We heard a man ask the other day, "When will this incessant begging for money (he meant for Church purposes) cease? It is call upon call, now for this and now for that, and I am sick and weary of it." More ask the question than those who like our frank friend put it into words. The answer is as easy as the question. It will never cease. It is a part of the law of the situation. While there remains a heathen on earth, an unfaithful Christian, a sick man, soul-sick or body-sick, an orphan child, a cripple, an outcast, a wretched creature anywhere with any wretchedness, the demands will still be made, and they will still be answered worse or better. When all men on earth are blessed, when the sunlight of heaven gilds the hills and valleys of the world and wraps the blue seas in eternal calm then may men rest from their working and their giving—not before.

The Prayer of "General Thanksgiving"

Among the list of changes in the Prayer Book adopted tentatively by the recent General Convention of the Church was the insertion, after the prayer known as the "General Thanksgiving," (the prayer next to the last in the Office of both Morning and Evening Prayer) of the following rubric in these words: "The General Thanksgiving may be said by the congregation with the minister."

In former years this custom was all but universally followed in the worship of our Church but of late years the congregation has ceased to join with the minister in repeating this beautiful and impressive prayer.

This rubric, which now specifically states that this prayer "may be said by the Congregation with the minister (formerly there was no special rubric on this prayer) will tend to make the worship at morning and evening Prayer more congregational in character and is therefore, in the judgment of the Rector, to be strongly commended.

The Rector invites the Congregation, hereafter, to join with the minister in repeating the General Thanksgiving, as

it occurs in the Service of Morning and Evening Prayer.

Easter Day Services

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Church School Easter Carol service, 7.30 P. M.

The Young Women's Bible Class

The members of the Young Women's Bible Class are learning the art of basketry and have formed a class for that purpose. It is their intention to add to this the study of other handicrafts, productive of useful articles, and to dispose of the products of their work through the medium of an exchange which they propose to organize. A portion of the moneys thus derived, after the expenses have been met, will be devoted to charitable objects.

E. C.

Men's Bible Class

We would like the members of Christ Church to know we are going to hold a rummage sale about the last week in March for the benefit of the Men's Class and if any member or their friends have any clothing, neckties, shoes for men, women and children or anything they will donate to us, we will be pleased to call for same, if they will let Mr. Chas. H. Jackson, 6358 Jefferson St., Phone 1579W know when and where.

Our orchestra is a big addition to our class and it helps with the singing.

Our attendance of members average 60 each Sunday.

We extend a special invitation to the men of the Parish to attend this Class and we would be pleased to see the father, of the son, who is a member, be present also. We know he will get a lasting benefit.

9.45 A. M. is the time we start our class.

Let every man of the Parish, young and old give the Class this day March 25th, and help us to have 150 men out on that morning. We know you will enjoy it.

R. M. J.

Our Church School

The Officers and Teachers of our Church School are making a determined effort to increase the attendance and thus make good use of the splendid facilities we have for the accommodation of a large school.

Each teacher has been supplied with a list of names and a canvas will be made which we think will result in a satisfactory improvement in the attendance.

We have already had an attendance on one Sunday of 378.

In this connection the Officers of the school solicit the help of all the Congregation of Christ Church.

Several Teachers' Meetings have been held lately and Departmental Classes of Teachers for the study of the lesson are being held every week.

At all of these meetings there is a display of earnestness which shows great devotion to the work on the part of all who are interested in the food cause.

It is always pleasant to look forward to the bright spots in the near future. These just now are the Easter Services, the May Day Festival and the Picnic at Burholme Park in June.

The scholars are working hard and sacrificing to fill their Lenten mite boxes, so that on Easter there may be a generous offering for Missions.

G. T. M.

Teachers Wanted for Our Growing Church School

Our Sunday School, (to be known hereafter as our Church School,) is entering upon a campaign which we hope will result in making it one of the strongest in numbers and enthusiasm in Germantown. We need more teachers. We do not want anybody who may desire to come in and teach, but we want teachers *really qualified* for the work. Our present corps is faithful and efficient, but *too small*. There are many men and women in the Parish who are well qualified to do this work. We wish to urge upon them our present need and ask their co-operation in this plan to build up the source of our future church membership—our church school. Now is your chance to help.

After Lent, What?

A real resurrection unto Christ will make and leave some definite traces upon life.

Rejoice, O my soul! Thou hast been cast down by the sorrows and dark things of this world. Thy Lord has risen. His presence by grace, in the Sacraments, is given to thee. Thou shalt rise. Rise now in thought and heart and hope, where He is—the living one who was dead and is alive for evermore. Have hope. Take courage. Have joy.—Knox Little.

The people of Christ Church owe a debt of gratitude to the clergy who accepted the Rector's invitation to preach on Sunday evenings in Lent. These clergy are all very busy men and their coming to Christ Church on Sunday evenings was added labor to their busy day, which the Rector and people of Christ Church highly appreciate.

The congregation on each Sunday was unusually large, the largest number being present on Sunday evening, March 11th, when the Rev. Henry C. Stone, Founder of the Stonemen's Fellowship, preached. Every available seat in the church was occupied. The members of the Men's Bible Class have done good service in their work to increase the attendance. What an inspiration it would be if, at every service, the church was full to overflowing—an inspiration to preacher and people! It can be if the people of Christ Church will it.

Members of the Junior Brotherhood are asked to meet Mr. Gurley in the Parish House at 8 o'clock on Friday night, March 30th next. Will the members please advise the Directors at once as to whether or not they can be present?

Only a few have paid the fee expected from those using the gymnasium at nights. Remember, electricity and coal cost money and it is only fair to expect this small fee from those who enjoy the use of the room.

The Altar Guild

The Altar Guild held a regular monthly meeting on March 12th. Arrangements were made for the services on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. The members of the Guild will be present on March 31st and on April 7th, to decorate the Altars.

The letters for the Easter flowers will be sent out next week. It is hoped that they will be answered promptly, so that we may know how many flowers or how much money we may count on.

It is hoped to hold the Guild supper very soon after Easter.

There are two vacancies on the Guild that we hope will soon be filled.

The Altar Committees for April are as follows:

March 30-April 16—Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

April 6-13—Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

April 13-20—Misses Cooley, Mogridge E. Manser, Gerhard.

April 20-27—Misses Dean, Falkner.
G. F. D.

The Athletic Association

During the past week letters have been sent out to members of the Parish requesting their co-operation in the matter of memberships in the Church Athletic Association. The Association takes this opportunity to explain in greater detail than the letter permitted the purpose of this solicitation. During last summer the grounds adjoining the Parish House were put in thorough repair and in them were fitted up two tennis courts and a volley ball court. This was made possible by the generous subscription to memberships by many in the Parish. Also, through the generosity of Colonel Potter's Bible Class, apparatus was placed in the grounds which provided plenty of fun and real enjoyment for the children.

Now the Association wishes to call attention to these facts—i. e., that there are many children (and adults also) who will use this playground as a means of diversion and entertainment throughout the summer months—that it answers the question of how to obtain the necessary relaxation and exercise for many whose business will prevent their leaving the

city for the summer—that it will help to organize and make permanent a spirit of fellowship, especially among the younger members of the Parish and that it will demonstrate to many that the Church stands for complete development of humankind, providing as it does in this way for their physical as well as for their spiritual health.

The grounds will not need extensive repair this spring. However, as it is the Association's plan to inaugurate a regular playground program, equipment and supplies will have to be purchased. For this reason we ask a generous response to the invitations to membership sent out.

We would further say, with all the emphasis we can, that the grounds will be open for use to *members only* and that membership, *with no exceptions*, will be confined to the membership of either Christ Church or one of its organizations. The reason for this rule—which is a departure from the custom of former years, is simply that the grounds will only accommodate a limited number, that we feel that number is obtainable among our church membership and that the privileges of the grounds should be first extended to them.

The membership will cost \$2.00 for the year. In the next issue of the Chimes will be given the details of our spring Tennis Tournament from the entries in which will be selected a team to represent Christ Church in the local Church Tennis League.
R. H. G.

Election of Vestrymen

An election for Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Church on Easter Monday, April 9th, between the hours of five and six P. M.

The term of the following members of the Vestry expires this year:

Sheldon Potter
W. R. Pugh
W. N. Johnson
F. B. Falkner, M. D.

Four (4) Vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three (3) years and one (1) for a term of one (1) year. The latter to serve for the unexpired term of A. R. Chesten.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the Southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate.

Charter of Incorporation—Article 6

The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men, to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period. Said Vestrymen shall be elected to serve for the following terms: at the election next to be held after the adoption hereof four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1915, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1916, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and four thereof shall be elected to serve until Easter Monday of the year 1917, and thereafter until their successors have been elected; and at each annual election thereafter four Vestrymen shall be elected to serve until the third Easter Monday thereafter and until their successors have been elected. The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestrymen. The said Vestrymen shall

have power to fill any vacancy occurring therein until the next annual election, when such vacancy shall be filled by the election of a Vestryman to serve for and during the unexpired term.

Our Easter Offering

Our Easter Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall choose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16:16.)

If this was the custom in Old Testament times how more abundantly and gladly should the Christian pour out his heart to God in thanksgiving on Easter Day.

Whilst I am very anxious that the full amount asked for by the Vestry shall be realized this Easter, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from all, *from every man, woman and child*, and that it shall be an expression of deep, true Christian devotion according as God hath blessed each one of us.

We Live by Faith, Not Light

The more we study this old world, the more convinced we become that our first impressions of natural phenomena are more likely to be wrong than right. Nature is constantly warning us not to judge by appearances. The earth seems flat. Shall we then deny that it is round? The sun seems to go round our planet. Wrong again; our planet goes round the sun. Fall and winter seem to be the beginning of all things. Suppose this had been the first winter you had ever known, what would have been your creed about the possibility of a springtime?

We do not believe that these old leafless trees are dead because we have already come through and seen many a May morning resurrection on the other side. But in the death of the body we are passing through our first winter. Wait till the springtime. 'Judge' not by appearance; judge righteous judgment.

"We believe it moreover because it is probable in the light of human nature. Are not our aspirations a prophecy of their fulfillment? Our hearts tell us that we were made to be satisfied, and this life never satisfies us. Every creature, except the human creature, seems to meet the full limit of its growth here. Compare our fevered longings with the stolid contentment of the ox, and the difference is that he is at home here, and we are not.

"The one unsatisfied being on the earth is man; because he belongs to another world. 'Foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man hath not where to lay His head.' Is this to be so always? Then my dog is more blessed than I; for his capacities are filled, and I know that mine are not. No! An immortality where these poor broken ideals may be completed!

A solemn murmur of the soul
Tells of the world to be,
As travellers hear the billows roll
Before they reach the sea."

—Selected.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. "

The Easter Communion

Four hundred and thirty persons received at the Holy Communion on Easter Day. This is a larger number than at any preceding Easter. A number of Communicants were out of the city on that day and there were others ill or too feeble to attend. The Rector visited some of these at their homes and administered the Sacrament to them privately. In looking over the list of names of communicants, there were some, however, who were absent on Easter Day for neither of these reasons. These are they who weigh most heavily on the Rector's heart—the indifferent ones, those who have strayed away from the sacred associations of their church, and become worldly and Godless.

May something come into their lives—we hope that it may not be sorrow—to touch their hearts and bring them back to God and their Church! ..

The Ascension

Three great Feasts of the Church Year follow immediately after Easter—the feast of the Ascension, Whitsunday and Trinity. The Feast of the Ascension occurs forty days after Easter. During these forty days after our Lord's Resurrection, He intimately associated with His Apostles, "whom He had chosen," to whom He gave commandments, "speaking unto them of the things pertaining to the Kingdom

of God." He instructed them concerning His Church which He came to found upon Earth. "Ye shall receive power, after the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The fortieth day after His Resurrection has arrived, He assembles His Apostles upon the Mount of Olivet. Even those closest in thought and sympathy with Him could have had but faint realization that He was going away, in order that the Comforter might come to illuminate their dull understanding, and lead them into all truth. "It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I go away I will send Him unto you." Until the Holy Spirit should come more fully, they were unable to comprehend spiritual mysteries. Overflowing with love for His disciples and for all who should believe on Him through them, He raised those pierced hands in Divine blessing. Then the Son of Man and the Son of God rises by His own power into Heaven.

Awe-struck, dumb with amazement, even the impulsive Peter finds no words to say. They silently gaze upon the fast receding form and see His loving face and His pierced hands outstretched in benediction upon the world that had rejected Him. "A cloud

receives Him out of their sight;" and still they gaze entranced in heart-felt worship and lofty contemplation. Then angels, sent back by the Triumphant King, announce to them that He who had promised to be with them to the end of the world and had bade them wait at Jerusalem "until they should be endured with power from on high," would Himself come again to judge both the quick and the dead.

And then the disciples, no longer doubting, but full of joy, knowing Christ, no more after the flesh, but after the Spirit, returned to Jerusalem to wait for the descent of the Paraclet. (Holy Spirit.)

We learn from the Psalms the glorious words of welcome which rang through the courts of Heaven, as the triumphal substance of our Lord and His angelic host swept through the starry firmament.

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is the King of glory; it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is the King of glory; even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

"Sing praises to God, sing praises unto our King; God reigneth over the heathen; God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness."

One special thought is voiced in our meditation upon the Ascension. It is the solemn truth, that as He went, so will He return. That day is not revealed, yet many devout hearts, who are in touch with the secrets of Heaven seem already to hear the gathering together of the angelic hosts, the reading of the roll-call of the great army of heaven, the preparations for the sound of the last trumpet, and they believe that not very far distant is the time when the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the heavens.

Whitsunday

The Promise is fulfilled! the Comforter is come!

"When the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one

place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

The Apostles, before so weak, so timid, so full of fear are now made bold and intrepid and strong, "are endued with power from on high" and go out fearlessly in His power and His might to preach the Gospel to the ends of the world, to suffer and to die for their risen and ascended Lord. The coming of the Holy Ghost was the seal from the Most High, which certified all the whole Gospel to be from God.

In this blessed feast of Whitsunday, the feast of the Holy Spirit, which is the birthday of the Church, the culmination of our Lord's Incarnation is attained. He ascended that the Spirit of love, of truth, the spirit of God might abide with His Church forever, uniting its members one with another and all to the great Heart of Jesus, that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we might be led unto all knowledge, truth and holiness, that all who call upon His Holy Name, might be made strong, like the Apostles, willing to sacrifice and to suffer and to die for the Lord Jesus. The Holy Spirit has come to abide in His Church forever. He is present in the Sacraments, at Baptism, at Confirmation, at the Holy Communion. In studying the Epistles we are told that by His influence love is shed abroad in our hearts; through Him we abound in hope, and are full of joy and peace. We learn that we are sealed with this Spirit of Promise, even unto the day of redemption. Only by His aid can we pray aright, through His grace we have communion with the departed saints. It is the Spirit who imparts to us the Christ Life, for it by His power that we receive Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. All this is summed up in the Preface to the Trisagion, appointed to be said on Whitsunday at the Holy Communion, "whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error, into the clear light

and true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy Son Jesus Christ."

The Holy Spirit must not be thought of as merely a force, or love, proceeding from God. The Holy Spirit is God, abiding in the world. He dwells within each pure and contrite heart, and our bodies are His temples.

"And His the gentle voice we hear,

Soft as the breath of even,

That checks each thought, that calms each fear,

And speaks of heaven."

Loving, persuasive and tender is the ministry of the Spirit, yet in stern and awful warning stands the most terrible threat that can be found in Holy Writ, for him who rejects His voice, and the threat falls from the tender lips of our Saviour: "Whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come."

Trinity Sunday

The doctrinal half of the Church Year culminates at Trinity Sunday. This first half lays stress on doctrine; from now on until Advent Season the emphasis is upon life—the practical outcome of Christian doctrine, Christian living. First comes faith; hence from Advent to Trinity the emphasis is placed upon doctrine. Then comes works; hence the teachings set forth each Sunday from now on to the end of the Church's year, relates to Christian life. "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God" are the words that are found in the Epistle appointed to be read on the first Sunday after Trinity.

The reception of truth must be gradual. Hence the Church leads us step by step from Advent to Trinity Sunday. In Advent is heralded the miraculous Birth of the wondrous child; at Christmas the heavenly host proclaims from the starry firmament "the good tidings of great joy;" on Epiphany Jesus is manifested to the Gentile world; through Lent we enter into our Saviour's Temptations; in Gethsemane we witness His agony; on Good Friday we see our Saviour die for us, and are

forced to cry with the centurion, "Truly this was the Son of God". On the glorious feast of Easter we see Him rise triumphant over death; then on Holy Thursday we behold His glorious Ascension into Heaven there to sit at the right hand of the Father; while on Whit-sunday we are taught that the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth, has come to dwell in His Church and in our hearts forever.

Thus does the Church prepare us for the culmination of her teaching, enabling us to grasp by faith the mystery of the doctrine of the Trinity.

"Along the Church's central space
The sacred weeks with unfelt pace,
Have borne us on from grace to grace."

The Trinity in Unity is the highest mystery that is revealed to us.

Can we learn anything in regard to this mystery by analogy? Each individual consists of soul, body and spirit, but one man. Our mental nature possesses intellect, affections, and will. In nature there are three great divisions,

"Earth's triple frame, land, air and sea
Upraise their canticle to Thee."

The tree with its root, trunk and branches; the oneness under three forms, water, ice and steam; the three notes blending into a perfect chord; the three dimensions that make a solid body, length, breadth and thickness; the three kingdoms that make up our planet, the vegetable, animal and mineral; the division of time into past, present and future. These and many more analogies come as suggestions of the great truth of Trinity in Unity.

But argument and reason are of little weight before the powerful and convincing knowledge which comes through faith. Now our finite minds cannot understand the infinite. Now we walk by faith and not by sight. "We know in whom we believe." "Now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face; now, I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known."

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Accounting Warden

Sheldon Potter (1885)

William R. Pugh (1889)

William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)

Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)

O. N. Middleton (1903)

Richard H. Morris (1904)

George T. Morgan (1912)

Alexander R. Cheston (1914)

Edward Bains (1914)

U. G. Rowley (1915)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Christ Church Club—3rd Friday.

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish. Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

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Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 P. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.30 A. M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptist, Second Sunday in Month, or by appointment.

Kalendar for May

May 1st—St. Philip and St. James.

May 6th—Fourth Sunday after Easter.

May 13th—Fifth Sunday after Easter (Rogation).

May 14, 15, 16—Rogation Days.

May 17th—Ascension Day.

May 20th—Sunday after Ascension.

May 27th—Whit-Sunday.

May 28th—Whitsun Monday.

May 29th—Whitsun Tuesday.

May 30th, 31st, June 1st, 2nd—Ember Days.

The Diocesan Convention meets in the Church of St. Luke's-Epiphany, 13th below Spruce Street, Tuesday, May 8 at ten o'clock.

The delegates to the Convention from this Parish are Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe, Richard H. Morris.

The Convocation of Germantown meets at Newtown, Bucks Co., Tuesday, May 15th.

Vestrymen Elected

At the annual election of Vestrymen held in Christ Church on Easter Monday the following were re-elected vestrymen to serve for a term of three years: Sheldon Potter, William N. Johnson, M. D., William R. Pugh, Frances B. Falkner, and Jonas Westling to serve one year the unexpired term of A. R. Cheston resigned. At the first meeting of the vestry, held Tuesday evening, April 10th, the Rector re-appointed Mr. James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden. The Vestry re-elected Mr. J. I. Morrison, Accounting Warden and Mr. Frances B. Falkner, Secretary. Messrs. Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe and R. H. Morris were elected delegates to the Diocesan Convention.

Flag Presented

At the Church School Easter Service held on Easter Evening in Christ Church a handsome silk flag was presented to the Church by the Men's Bible Class. The presentation address was made by the President of the Class Mr. Rowland Jones and was received by the Rector. Address to the members of the School was made by Rev. N. T. Groton, Rector St. Thomas'

Church, Whitmarsh. As a token of appreciation of the faithful service of the Secretary, Charles C. Cotton, a gold cross was presented by members of the School.

The Confirmation Class

On Maundy Thursday evening, April 5th, the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., confirmed the following persons in Christ Church:

Ernest Blood

Bertha Chandler Blood

Elizabeth Long Belfield

Elizabeth May Ellis

George Comly Foust

Elizabeth Ridgway Foust

Elizabeth Jane Grant

Marion Edger Hilliard

Daniel Lewis Hilyard

Alice Jones

Jacob Kraft

Frederick Lennig

Virginia Austin Nancrede

John McGill

Ellen Amanda McGill

Elsie Walton Patterson

Thomas William Pritchard

Helen Grace Reed

Lillian Catharine Seltner

Mary Jane Shirreff

George Earl Streeper

Charles Clarence VanDuzen

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild has been very busy during the past month attending to the Lenten services. We spent the entire day, on the seventh, decorating for Easter and had luncheon in the Parish House.

We were very glad to welcome Miss Dorothy Gill and Mrs. Wm. Lindsay as new members of the Guild.

Four new Purificators have been added to the Altar linens.

The Altar Committees for May are as follows:

May 4-11—Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

May 11-18—Misses Cooley, E. Manser, Mogridge, Gerhard, Wismer.

May 18-25—Misses Dean, Falkner, Gill, Mrs. Lindsay.

May 25-31—Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

G. F. D.

Services on Ascension Day

The Services on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 17, will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M., Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 A. M. The offering on Ascension Day will be for Diocesan Fund for Religious Education.

The Easter Offering

The offering on Easter Day amounted to \$1,112.00. This is an excellent showing and considering that over \$2000.00 was given and pledged by our people a few weeks before Easter to the Clergy Pension Fund, shows how generously the people of Christ Church respond to every worthy cause. The response was general and came from almost every one in the Parish. There were some who gave most generously. There were others who, out of their abundance, gave comparatively a mere pittance. There were only a few who gave nothing. Two hundred and fifty dollars is still needed to make up the full amount asked for. Will not this small amount be made up in full?

Give Through the Envelope System

Now is the time for every one to begin to subscribe to the support of the Church and to Missions, through the envelope system. Every member of every family in the Parish, man, woman and child, should consider it a duty and a privilege to contribute to the work of the Church through the envelope system. Pledge cards will be found in the racks in each vestibule of the Church.

Please fill out both sides of card. It may be sent to the Rector, or placed on the alms basin at any service.

At the foot of this card, enter the amount you wish to give.

A package of duplex envelopes, dated for each Sunday in the year, and having the number by which your account will be kept, will then be sent you.

Enclose the amount of your weekly offerings for parish support and for Church extension in their respective pockets in the duplex envelope of the proper date and put it in the alms basin. Please keep both offerings paid up evenly to the same date. This will save

confusion both for yourself and the treasurer.

The amount of your offerings will be treated confidentially. It is understood that you are at liberty to increase, decrease or cancel the subscriptions at any time upon notice to the Rector.

**Star Classes of the Main School
Month of April**

Class 2—Mrs. Belfield. April 1, 29, 4 scholars.

Class 6—Miss Quay. April 1, 8, 22, 7 scholars.

Class 9—Miss Richards. April 8, 7, 7 scholars.

Class 16—Mr. Ritter. April 1, 8, 22, 4 scholars.

Class 17—Miss Wismer. April 22, 29, 3 scholars.

Class 18—Miss Orme. April 1, 15, 22, 3 scholars.

Class 19—Mr. Wilcox. April 1, 8, 15, 29, 6 scholars.

1 member absent April 22.

Class 21—Mr. Lindsay. April 1, 8, 15, 3 scholars.

Class 23—Miss Yates. April 8, 15, 7 scholars.

Class 25—Mr. Bains. April 8, 15, 22, 6 scholars.

Junior Department

Our banner class: Class E, Miss Bartstow. 7 members; star class April 8, 15, 22.

Star classes 3 Sundays:

Class G, Miss Alexander, 6 members.

Class F, Miss Westling, 3 members.

Class I, Miss Dietz, 4 members.

Class M, Miss Morris, 5 members.

Star classes 2 Sundays:

Class H, Miss Feist, 6 members.

Star class 1 Sunday:

Class J, Miss Gill, 6 members.

Christ Church Athletic Association

In response to the invitation to join the Church Athletic Association and contribute as a membership fee the sum of two dollars, there have been ten responses. The expense of fitting up the grounds for use will cost alone \$25. It is to be hoped that there will be an increase in the number of those responding, so that the Association will be enabled to place the grounds adjoining the Parish House in proper repair for the

constant usage they will have all this summer. Membership fees may be sent or given to Mr. Cotton or Mr. Gurley.

May 23rd

A play entitled the "Conquest of Man" interpreted by an unusually fine caste will be given in the Parish House Wednesday evening, May 23rd, under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Men's Bible Class.

This is an occasion to spend an enjoyable evening for a very small outlay. Come and bring your friends.

Tickets may be had from any member of the Bible Class or at the office. Price 25 cents.

E. R., Sec. L. Aux.

Honorable Mention

The Christ Church Boys' Brigade, owing to the fact that five of its membership, including three of its officers, have enlisted for service in the Marine Reserve Corps and its leader is studying for a commission in the Regular Army, will suspend its activities until further notice.

The Parish is certainly proud of the showing this organization has made. By means of hard work the brigade has kept active when circumstances would have warranted its falling by the wayside and now it suspends only that its best trained members may enlist in the larger service of their country. Those who have already enlisted are Messrs. Robinson, Thomas, Simpson, Carter, and Smalley. Christ Church has a right to be proud of them and especially of their leader, Howard Feist,—to whose indefatigable efforts and interest the Brigade has been able to more than "do its bit" in contributing of its membership five recruits for active service in the time of need. Through the "Chimes," a copy of which will be sent to each of these boys, we want to say that we will follow with interest their experiences—an interest only equalled by our pride in them in that they have measured up to their country's call.

The younger boys of the Brigade will be kept together by the organization of a Junior Service Club—the details of which are being worked out now and will be announced later. Let every boy in the Parish who wants to do real help-

ful service for his country watch for that announcement.

R. H. G.

Red Cross Society

The Tulpehocken Auxiliary No. 24, which is the name under which we are formed, is an association formed to assist in the Red Cross work. Meetings are held in the Christ Church Parish House, every Wednesday from 2 to 5.30 and on Tuesday evening from 8 to 10. Of course at present our own church people comprise a large proportion of the members, but it is not primarily a church affair, and we are glad to welcome anyone from any church or locality. We are working for the people at large, our own soldiers or those of our allies who may need it. At the first meeting, Mrs. Melick, who is head of the Red Cross work in Philadelphia, gave a very interesting address, explaining the work and methods and she said: "If we (Americans) are to succeed the women must stand behind the men and do all they can." If every woman will take her few or many stitches and gather her one or many dollars; the stitches will become many hospital garments and bandages and the pile of money will be large. Already we have a membership of 90 and have sent a check for \$86.00 to headquarters. It is not absolutely necessary to pay. Any one is welcome to work, whether they are members or not. \$1.00 makes you a member of the Red Cross for a year and you are enrolled as a garment employee in this work for that time.

Mrs. J. I. Morrison, Chairman.

Miss L. E. Wurts, Vice Chairman.

Mrs. Sheldon Potter, Secretary.

Mrs. H. E. Fitzgerald, Treasurer.

Young Women's Bible Class

The Young Women's Bible Class extends a cordial welcome to all girls of sixteen years or over to meet with them on Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock. We also meet every Thursday evening to take up various subjects of interest for both girls and young women.

The Basketry Class gives an excellent opportunity for those who would care to make mats, baskets or trays. Connected with this class is raffia work which gives the opportunity for making interesting things, such as baskets, and sandwich trays.

Other opportunities are given to those who may desire to crochet, to knit, or to sew.

It is the desire of the class to have a women's exchange in the Fall. At that time we will solicit orders for the following Christmas. Many articles of interest will be made and orders for articles can be made any time through members of the class.

Come next Sunday at 9.45 to this Bible Class and you will like the spirit and good fellowship that prevails.

A. A. L., Secretary.

The Woman's Auxiliary

At the April meeting we had a very interesting talk from Deaconess Carroll, who is working among the Italians in the Diocese. She described the lives and condition of these people most vividly. We were glad to be able to vote a small amount of money to her work. One of our number has agreed to assist her one afternoon each week.

Our Lenten work is almost finished and will be sent to St. Michael's and All Angels Home for colored crippled children at an early date. The dresses for the little girls are very pretty and all the sewing has been very neatly done, so that we may feel that our time has been well spent.

The United Offering has been gathered in and sent to Mrs. North. There is a gradual increase in the amount, but the contributors are only a very small part of the women of the Parish.

The little Blue Box is a most wonderful help. It is astonishing how much can be accumulated in six months by putting small sums from time to time in the box. In this way it does not interfere with our giving to other worthy causes.

There will be but one more meeting for this year. The first Thursday in May. How fine it would be if every woman in the Parish would come to the Woman's Auxiliary and help in the good work.

Memorial Altar Book

A handsome Altar Service Book was presented to Christ Church by Mrs. Richard P. Mogridge, in memory of her sister. The inscription reads "To the Glory of God and in loving memory of Emma Linton Murphy. Easter-Day, 1917."

PRESENT ARMS!

Military Service at Christ Church

The Military Service which the Men's Bible Class has planned for Sunday evening, May 19th, will, we believe be unique—not only in the history of our own Parish, but also in the history of church affairs generally in this city. Credit for the idea must be given to one of the members of our Men's Bible Class, Mr. Frank Wilcox, and if our plans carry out we will have a service that night that no one present will ever forget.

As to the program, we can give only a part of it here. Military hymns will be used throughout the service. The speaker will be the Rev. Dr. C. C. Pierce, Rector of St. Matthews Church and formerly a chaplain in the U. S. Army. Among those present will be the members of Ellis Post No. 6 G. A. R. and of Ellis Post No. 9 Sons of Veterans. The music will be rendered by their bands in conjunction with the church choir and organ. There will be present also a detachment of sailors and marines from League Island.

The two front sections of the church will be reserved for our guests. The left transept will be reserved for our Red Cross organization and their friends. The right transept, for the members of the Bible Class and their families. The two sections back of the transverse aisle will be used to seat all other members of the Parish and visitors who may be present. Special attention is called to this seating arrangement so as to avoid confusion at the service. All entitled to seats in the "Red Cross Section" or Bible Class Section will please enter the church through the door on Tulpehocken street.

The church will be decorated with flags, both with our own and with those of visiting organizations. The general management of the service will be in the care of a special committee of ten men appointed from our class. We are glad to announce that this service is only one of many unusual events which our class has in prospect both in the religious and social life of our Parish. We expect a large congregation on that evening. Will you be one of them? That's fine—you will be very welcome.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

LAY ASSISTANT

Mr. Richard H. Gurley

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS } 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " }

The Roll of Honor

The list below is the names of the young men in our parish who have enlisted and are serving in some department of the Government Military Service. There are other men in the parish who have enrolled in the service, but have not, as yet been called. Their names will be added to this Roll of Honor as soon as they are called into service. There may be others from this parish whose names are not known. The Rector requests that he be advised at once of every man who enlists from our Parish. He wishes to keep in personal touch with them during their absence.

This Roll of Honor will be posted in the south entrance of the Church, so that Parishioners may pray daily for every man who is enlisted in his country's service. At every celebration of the Holy Communion, until the end of the war, the name of each man will be mentioned and prayers will ascend to the Throne of Grace that God may protect and keep them and, if it be His will, bring them back well and strong to their friends and to their Church Home.

Roy Simpson
Walter Robinson
Norman Lomas
Frederick Muller
John Carter
Therman Mills
George Farquar
Horace Cannon
Frederick R. Feist

Earle Sibson
Norman Waldmen
Richard H. Gurley
Henry L. Ritter

Our Duty, As Churchmen in this Hour of Our National Need

Since the last issue of the Chimes a terrible crisis has come to our country:—After long patience and with a solemn sense of responsibility, our government has been forced into the World War.

We abhor war. It gives vent to the lowest passions and instincts of men. War is God's curse. It is the result of man's transgression of God's law. It is the result of sin. We have prayed that it might be averted. We have hoped that God's wrath might be turned from us; that the hearts of men might be turned unto Him. But it could not be. The sin has been too great and "without blood there can be no remission of sin." Our Saviour, who suffered and died, as the result of sin, and that the world through His death might be saved, said: "Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man (and that group of men) by whom the offence cometh!"

Since God's visitation upon sin has come, and has come upon our own land, as American citizens, members of the Church of God, what is our duty in this crisis of the world's life and in this hour of our National need?

We are Christians as well as citizens. As Christians, as well as citizens upon us, therefore, rests a double responsibility. We owe it to our country to maintain intact and to transmit unimpaired to others our heritage of freedom and democracy. Above all and beyond all, we must be loyal to our divine Lord, who suffered for us and gave His life that the world might be redeemed, and whose loving purpose embraces every man and every nation.

Since, in spite of every effort, war has come, we are grateful that the ends to which our country is committed are such as all Christian men and women can approve.

To vindicate the principles of righteousness and the inviolability of faith as between nation and nation; to safeguard the right of all peoples, great and small alike; to live their life in freedom and peace; to resist and overcome the force that would prevent the union of the nations in a commonwealth of free peoples, conscious of unity in the pursuit of ideal ends—these are the ends for which every one of us may lay down our all, even life itself.

We have entered this war without haste or passion, not for private or national gain, with no hatred nor bitterness against those with whom we contend.

No man can foresee the issue of the struggle. It calls for all the strength and heroism of which the nation is capable. What now is the mission of the Church in this hour of crisis and danger. It is to bring all that is done or planned in the nation's name to the test of the mind of Christ.

We believe that the love of all men which Christ enjoins, demands that we defend with all the power given to us the sacred rights of humanity. And to this end all Christians are at one in loyalty to our country, and in steadfast and wholehearted devotion to her service.

What Are Our Special Duties?

As members of the Church of Christ, the hour lays upon us special duties:

To purge our own hearts clean of arrogance and selfishness;

To steady and inspire the nation;
To keep ever before the eyes of ourselves and of our allies the ends for which we fight;

To hold our own nation true to its professed aims of justice, liberty and brotherhood;

To testify to our fellow-Christians in every land, most of all to those from whom for the time we are estranged, our consciousness of unbroken unity in Christ;

To unite in the fellowship of service multitudes who love their enemies and are ready to join with them in rebuilding the waste places as soon as peace shall come;

To be diligent in works of relief and mercy, not forgetting those ministries to the spirit to which, as Christians, we are especially committed;

To keep alive the spirit of prayer, that in these times of strain and sorrow men may be sustained by the consciousness of the presence and power of God;

To hearten those who go to the front, and to comfort their loved ones at home;

To care for the welfare of our young men in the army and navy, that they may be fortified in character and made strong to resist temptation;

To be vigilant against every attempt to arouse the spirit of vengeance and unjust suspicion toward those of foreign birth or sympathies;

To protect the rights of conscience against every attempt to invade them;

To maintain our Christian institutions and activities unimpaired, the observance of the Lord's Day and the study of the Holy Scriptures, that the soul of our nation may be nourished and renewed through the worship and service of Almighty God;

To guard the gains of education, and of social progress and economic freedom, won at so great a cost, and to make full use of the occasion to set them still further forward, even by and through the war;

To keep the open mind and the forward look, that the lessons learned in war may not be forgotten when comes that just and sacred peace for which we pray;

Above all, to call men everywhere to new obedience to the will of our Father God, who in Christ has given Himself in supreme self-sacrifice for the redemption of the world, and who invites us to share with Him His ministry of reconciliation.

To such service we as Churchmen would unite with our fellow-Christians of every name. In this spirit we would dedicate ourselves and all that we have to the nation's cause. With this hope we would join hands with all men of good-will of every land and race, to rebuild on this war-ridden and desolated earth the common-wealth of mankind, and to make of the kingdoms of the world the Kingdom of the Christ.

Church Open All Day For Private Prayer and Intercession

The Church is open every day from eight o'clock in the morning to five in the afternoon for Prayer and Intercession. A poster has been placed in the front of the church which reads as follows:

Christian Patriots!

A Call to Prayer!

This church is open to all for Meditation and Intercession. Come in and Pray for
Our Country and those in authority.
Our Enlisted men and the Allies.
The sick, the wounded and the dying.
Those who bear relief and comfort.
The needy and all who mourn.
The forgiveness of our enemies.
A just and an enduring peace.

"They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

Mr. Gurley Volunteers.

On Saturday, May 10th the Pennsylvania Ambulance Corps No. 10, in which Mr. R. H. Gurley, who has been the Rector's lay assistant for the past two years, is enlisted, sailed from New York to points unknown. Since then news has been received that the unit had arrived safely at Liverpool and a personal cablegram from Mr. Gurley informs us that he is well.

While all regret Mr. Gurley's absence from the parish we heartily congratulate him on his patriotic and heroic spirit which prompted him to volunteer in his country's service. His

presence, especially from among the young people in the Parish, will be greatly missed. The Men's Bible Class, numbering over a hundred men, which he organized and successfully conducted, is continuing its Sunday morning meetings and, as a testimonial to Mr. Gurley's faithfulness and zeal, the members have pledged their continued loyalty to the class and to keep up its high standard, until his return to the country, which all hope will be in a not distant future.

The best wishes of his many friends in the parish go out to Mr. Gurley in his service to his country and earnest prayers ascend to the Throne of Grace that he may be kept from all harm and that God may bless him and grant that he may be returned to continue his studies for the Sacred Ministry and to his service in the cause of Christ and His Church.

A Prayer for the Enlisted

For all the men who are serving in their country's cause the following prayer is recommended to be used daily by members of the parish:

O God the strength of all those who put their trust in Thee, bless, we pray Thee, all soldiers and sailors of these United States, and especially our brethren, the members of this Congregation now in military service, and grant them protection from all harm, deliverance from all temptation and if it be Thy will a safe return; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Sick and Wounded

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech Thee, behold, visit, and relieve Thy servants, the sick and the wounded, for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of Thy mercy; comfort them with a sense of Thy goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; give them patience under their affliction; and, in Thy good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the residue of their life in Thy fear, and to Thy glory. Or else give them grace so to take Thy visitation that, after this painful life ended, they may dwell with Thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Edward Bains (1914)

D. G. Rowley (1915)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Christ Church Club—1st Friday

Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Church Services

Holy Communion { Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptism, 2nd Sunday in month, or by appointment.

Last Issue of the Chimes

This will be the last issue of the Chimes until the fall. The large number of subscribers to the Chimes during the past year and the many expressions of appreciation would seem to indicate that the paper is widely read and its value to the parish is recognized. Notwithstanding the increased cost of paper, etc., the Chimes has been regularly issued each month, at the former low price of annual subscription. This has been done, however, at a financial loss to those who are responsible for its publication.

If the publication of the Chimes is to be continued next year it will be necessary to receive, in addition to subscriptions, special contributions to help meet the increased cost. Whether or not the Chimes will be continued to be published will, therefore, depend upon the financial response of its friends.

The Rector will be pleased to receive word from any who may be willing to co-operate in helping to defray the expense of the continued publication of the Chimes.

Summer Services

The services on Sunday during the summer months will be at the usual hours, viz. Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Morning Service and Sermon at 11 o'clock. Evening Prayer, with short address, at 7.45. The name of the clergyman who will have charge of the parish during the Rector's vacation will be announced later. Any calls for the services of the Clergy will receive prompt attention if word is left at the Rectory.

A Two Weeks' Mission

A Two Weeks' Mission will be held in this parish either during the coming Advent Season or in Epiphany. Further information will be announced from the chancel as soon as more definite arrangements are made.

Poor Childrens Outing Fund

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 17. This is one of the most worthy

charities to which the people of Christ Church are privileged to give. For about \$2.50 one poor child can be taken from the hot street or alley into the country for a week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and receive good, wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom, for several years past, to secure from various organizations for the poor, the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portions of the city—in small dirty courts and narrow streets and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements are made for a week's outing in the country, and in some cases for a longer time. Occasionally a poor, over-worked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are asked to give and what a wonderful privilege it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recuperation during the hot months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in crowded courts and narrow streets and alleys.

The following letter received last summer from Comly B. Shoemaker, Esq., President of the Bedford Street Mission, which does splendid work for the poor in one of the most miserable parts of the city, shows how greatly appreciated was the contribution to the poor Children's Outing given last year by the people of this Church:

Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt:

My Dear Mr. Arndt:—I am this morning in receipt of your very kind letter and wish to thank you most kindly and most sincerely, not only for the liberal contribution which your church through your kind interest has sent us, but also for the very kind interest you have taken in visiting among the families of our district. Miss Boyd was recently speaking of your having asked her for additional names and of your having been around in different directions. The manner in which you go into things is most encouraging, and I sincerely wish others might be willing to do likewise.

Again thanking you, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely,

Comly B. Shoemaker.

A Plea for Church Subscribers

At the present time emphasis is being laid upon the need and the duty of every person to do something in the cause of humanity, and the people everywhere are being stirred up with a feeling that they must do their share.

But how much more should that old appeal, to do something for God and humanity, be responded to by those who have pledged themselves to His Church?

The Vestry observes that of those who constitute the listed membership of Christ Church, almost one-third cannot be identified as giving any systematic, regular or tangible support to the work of the church.

That Christ Church has a work to do, is probably more true today than ever, but to do this work, to be a real uplifting power in this community, we must first get the real interest of our own people. There must be that feeling of interest in each member which compels service of some kind.

It is the thought of the Vestry that such general interest can be quickened through every member becoming a regular subscriber to the church's work through the Envelope System.

Most of our members are already showing their interest in this manner, but there are still those who have deferred doing so.

It is not the size of the subscription which the Vestry seek, but merely some regular contribution, as a means of strengthening the attachment between the church and all that it means, and its members.

With the purpose in view of having as nearly as possible, all our members users of the Envelopes, this appeal is made, and it is hoped that each member who may not now enjoy the privilege of participating in every part of the church's activities and taking part in the support of the same, will take advantage of the opportunity now and apply for a set of envelopes.

U. G. R.

The sweetest word in our language is Love. The greatest word in our language is God. The word expressing the shortest time is Now. The three make our greatest duty.

A Vacuum Cleaner Needed

We wonder how many realize the necessity for a "Vacuum Cleaner" in our Church and Parish House? Not only as a help for our faithful sexton, but also from a point of health. This was most forcibly brought to the attention of one of our members on the evening of the Stonemen's visit, it being a disagreeable night, the dirt and mud carried up the aisles of the church was most convincing, especially as one woman said, I wonder how many of these germs we will breathe and sit on next Sunday after the sweeping, and the dust flying. Now if we could have a modern method of cleaning, all this would be done away with, and we could banish germs from the minds of parishioners during service.

A fund was started that night, which has not been pushed on account of the demands for our money and help in our National crisis, but we now feel that this should have our consideration from a health point, and any contributions (no matter how small) may be sent to Miss Ellen Chase, 45 East Washington Lane. We want all to feel that they have been instrumental in making their church cleaner and the work lighter.

Churchmen's Dinner — October 10th

Here is something which should be of interest to every man of this Parish. While it may seem unnecessary to speak so far in advance of such a matter, yet the old adage "take time by the forelock" applies in this case as this dinner will be worthy of both anticipation and participation.

The Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be held in Philadelphia from the 10th to the 14th of October and this dinner will precede the opening of the Convention. This means the dinner will be attended by men from all parts of the country. Eighteen Bishops have signified their intention of being present and many prominent clergy and laymen will honor the dinner with their presence.

The Academy of Music has been selected as the place for holding the dinner and will accommodate about 1200. As nearly half of this number have already stated their willingness to attend, it will be seen that this notice is not too far

ahead. The toast-master will be George Wharton Pepper, and the speakers the Rt. Rev. Charles D. Williams, D. D., Bishop of Michigan and John Stewart Bryan, of Richmond, Va. The time will be 6.30 P. M., and the cost \$1.50 per plate.

A good representation from this Parish is desired and any man wishing to subscribe or desiring further information may apply to Chas. H. Jackson.

The Red Cross

Since we have had twelve sewing machines the work on the various garments progresses satisfactorily, with no time wasted waiting for machine work to be done. The work is finished, inspected, mistakes corrected, returned to headquarters; new supplies of cut out garments received; and so the good work goes steadily on, with an increasing number of completed articles to our credit. Sewing machines have been lent us and we have purchased one new machine and rented another.

Beside this sewing plans are being completed for serving refreshments to soldiers and sailors who may be passing through Philadelphia in large bodies during the summer and later on. Mrs. G. W. C. Drexel, head of the Commissary Department of the Red Cross in Philadelphia and vicinity, has asked the Auxiliaries to assist in this work. The Red Cross workers of Summit and the Second Presbyterian churches, Epiphany and Christ Episcopal Churches have agreed to combine and furnish a group of one hundred women and as many supplies as possible for feeding one body of men. The men will probably come in bodies of from one to two thousand. Gifts of bread, butter, ham, beans and other ingredients for soup, preserves and jelly, chocolate and tobacco are asked for. As the men will come in such large numbers great quantities of food will be required.

Mr. Arndt or any member of the Red Cross will be glad to receive the names of persons willing to assist in preparing or serving food, or of those desiring to give any supplies for the purpose, or to answer any questions in regard to the plan.

A. M. M.

The evening class of the Tulpehocken Unit of the Red Cross meets every Tuesday evening in the Parish House at 7.30 o'clock. The class was formed for those who could not attend the Wednesday afternoon meetings on account of being engaged during the day, and wanted to help with the work for the comfort and relief of our soldiers. There has been an average attendance of twenty-five at the evening meeting, and we feel there must be many others who would avail themselves of this opportunity to do their bit if they realized the necessity of the need now, (and certainly more so in the future) for the garments and bedding that are being made if we are to send our men out of their country.

We can feel proud of the work this class is doing, and will be glad to welcome any others (from any parish) who want to help in this cause. We are making our sample box of Surgical Dressings and hope to soon have our class established under the direction of Miss Helen Newland, of the First Presbyterian Church. This requires most careful work and accuracy.

E. W. C.

Men's Class

Wanted another R. H. Gurley to keep up the good work in the Parish which he was responsible for. When I say that I do not mean that the Men's Class is not holding its own, but there is a lack of interest among the young people in the Parish, whom Mr. Gurley kept interested. The attendance at the Men's Class has dropped off a little, due to men going to war and the beginning of the vacation season. We have present on Sunday morning an average of 40 members and the men are giving Mr. S. V. Wilcox their support.

The lessons are appreciated by all who attend and a good word is being passed from one to the other for Mr. Wilcox.

The Men's Class will start on Sunday at 10 A. M., instead of 9.45 A. M., for the summer months and it is hoped that every member will be on time.

A special invitation is extended to all men of the Parish to attend this class.

Mr. Gurley will appreciate a letter from every member of the Parish. His address will be Richard H. Gurley, Unit-

ed States Army Base Hospital No. 10, France. Do not place any prefix before the name.
R. M. J.

Christ Church Club

At a recent meeting the name of the Christ Church Athletic Association was changed to Christ Church Club. Regular monthly meetings will be held throughout the Summer on the first Friday of each month.

The meetings we would like largely attended, in order to have a good business meeting, and close our evening with a social time.

The play grounds have been renovated at a cost of about \$20.00 and are now being used and enjoyed by all of our early bird participants.

After discussing the rise in prices of almost everything, we decided not to raise our dues at this time, and expected a grand rush of applicants for membership, before such raise could take effect. This rush has yet to materialize, but is expected at any time now.

However the management wants to thank the faithful ones who have already given their support, also to thank in advance the ones who will support us in the near future.

Our Dues are \$2.00 a year payable in advance to Mr. Chas. J. Cotton, 58 W. Johnson Street.

Decoration Day our main spring opening event, was enjoyed by all, participating in one game or another especially Tennis; and we will continue to hold big events every Saturday Afternoon throughout the summer.

Of course we all feel and miss the absence of Mr. Gurley, especially in this club, as he was always on the job to work and interest all of our members at all times. Now it is the desire of our Rector Mr. Arndt to have the best management and discipline on our grounds this summer, and in order to do this we need the support of every member; the grounds are to be in charge of a responsible person each day; and a schedule will be arranged with the co-operation of our members, and Mr. Potters Bible Class stating what days said persons will

take charge of our grounds and smaller children.

Therefore if you have any feeling or regard for Mr. Gurley, it is his desire to have this club and play grounds progress and succeed during his absence; and if you want to do your "bit" for him and the Church come around and co-operate with us.

Chas. J. Cotton, President.

Church School

We have not yet reached the 300 mark but 293 and 295 on two Sundays in April was getting very near. We hope to pass the goal aimed at this year before we commence the summer school on July 2. Our Summer school sessions will be unusually interesting with good talks from noted speakers and illustrated lectures on Missions in foreign lands.

The annual picnic will be held June 28. This Picnic is always a popular outing. The Committee thought that we could not do better than avail ourselves of the facilities offered by Burnholme Park and go there again this year. Scholars, Teachers and their friends are all invited to come. We know that we can promise them a happy day.

The Christian Nurture series of lessons now used in nearly all the classes gives unqualified satisfaction.

The attention and interest of the scholars is remarkable. The time for teaching all too short to get through the varied subjects presented.

Of course we have still some vacancies for teachers and substitutes are always welcome.

G. T. M.

Prayer Books and Hymnals for Strangers

A number of Prayer Books and Hymnals will be found in the pews at the west and south entrances. These books are intended for the use of visitors and strangers, who are invited to take them and use them. Regular attendants at the services should provide their own Prayer Books and Hymnals and bring them to each service, taking them home with them when they return.

Pension Fund

Five million dollars seemed an almost unheard of sum for the Episcopal Church to get together as a reserve fund to be used in putting into execution the Pension plan for retired clergy. Pennsylvania came bravely to the front with an offer to take care of one fifth of this large amount. The committee appointed by the Bishop pledged \$700,000 and then asked the parishes to do the rest. Christ Church started out with a proposition to raise one thousand dollars, but at the first meeting of the committee appointed by the Rector it was readily seen that \$2000 should be our goal. The committee has now to report that to date \$1,993.99 has been secured in cash or pledges. Never did a committee on such an errand bent find such willingness to assist on the part of all who were approached. It was a pleasure, not a task, and the committee takes this opportunity to thank the members of Christ Church for their prompt and generous response. As to the Five Million Dollar Fund, when last heard from it was beyond the seven million dollar mark, and the Diocese of Pennsylvania was far in excess of the one million they set out to collect. A worthy cause, well sustained.

G. T. M.

The spirit of loving service should fill the heart of every Christian. Those to whom we give kindness and love will return the same with fidelity and service rendered in like spirit. Love invites its own response; service inspires to service; and the memory of a kindness done may prove to us a welcome shelter and defense in time of need.

As George MacDonald, in one of his essays, says: "It may be thou dost not love thy neighbor; it may be thou thinkest only how to get from him, how to gain by him. How lonely, then, must thou be! how shut up in thy poverty-stricken room, with the bare walls of selfishness and the hard couch of thy unsatisfaction."

The Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting has spent a useful and pleasant winter. Our meetings have had the usual attendance,

and the work has gone on regularly and well.

We have made and sold many towels, aprons and rugs, and although we have been obliged to raise our prices on these articles, on account of the increased cost of all materials, our sales have not fallen off.

We had our annual Christmas dinner, an account of which appeared in a previous number of the "Chimes" and in the spring a rummage sale was held which was very successful.

During Lent we worked for the Indians and we expect to send to the Crow Creek Agency in South Dakota a box containing six night shirts, six night gowns and hospital supplies.

The Bishop Brick Fund was not forgotten. To that we are sending \$6.50.

All our bills are paid. We have given \$25.00 to the Easter Offering, \$25.00 to the Red Cross, and we have a balance in the treasury of \$27.21.

Our meetings have been discontinued for several weeks, but we are looking forward to an afternoon together, before we separate for the summer.

We feel that our winter has proved a successful one, but next winter we hope to increase our membership, and with an increased attendance we will be able to accomplish more work.

H. M. F. A.

Two Ideas of the Church

There is a difference between the Episcopal church and some other Christian bodies. The mode of worship, the methods of work, the ways of thinking and doing—all are different. The difference is not only great but it is radical. It goes to the very root of matters. It is to be traced to what the idea of the Church of Christ actually is. Out of this real root difference grows all the rest.

What is the church? Let us define, and call one definition "The Church Idea," and the other "The Sectarian Idea."

The Church Idea

1. It is a Divine institution with a human mission.
2. It is an organism for dispensing Christianity.
3. It is the Kingdom of Heaven seeking men on earth.

The Sectarian Idea

1. It is a human institution with a divine mission.

2. It is an organization for the attainment of Christianity.

3. It is a society on earth seeking the kingdom of Heaven.

These are two entirely distinct and totally opposite conceptions of the nature and the purpose of the Church. Very naturally, the idea held, influences every doctrine and practice of the Church and determines its government. Hence the difference.

Let us emphasize the three points in each definition. "The Church Idea" recognizes that the Church is a Divine Institution, founded by Christ Himself, organized, officered and sent forth by Him, under the influence and guidance of the Divine Spirit, to do His work. It is the visible manifestation to the world of Christ; the Church is "His Body." It claims that no man has the right to make any other church, and rend the Body of Christ, because he wants to emphasize certain doctrines or practices. The Episcopal Church claims that it is far better to let men hold their views—to look at the great truths from whichever side they please—but be loyal to the great Body that Christ sent forth into the world. "The Church Idea" believes in Christian unity.

The Church Idea also claims that the Church is an organism of living men, and Christ founded His Church on living men, not on any particular doctrines they believed. It is an organism with a life of its own, having the power of vitality within itself, communicated to it by its Head, preserved in it by the Holy Spirit, so that the promise remains true to-day: "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

These living men wrote the Bible, and in the course of time gathered its several books together and established the "Canon of Scripture," that future generations might know what the Apostles did. It is the written story of the Gospel and its conquests in the first Christian century, as human lips told it and enforced it. The Episcopal Church which holds "The Church

Idea," honors the Bible as much as any Christian body. Its utterances settle her question of belief and practice, but she does not say "The Bible and the Bible only," for the Church of Christ is an organism, dependent upon an order of living men; and before they had any Bible in the form of the "New Testament," they went forth and accomplished the noblest conquests over the heathen world. And every Bible might be burned, and yet the Church of Christ would live, and men would tell brother men "the faith once delivered to the saints."

The Episcopal Church also claims the Church is a Kingdom—the Kingdom of God on earth, and partaking of a Kingdom with its King, and its governors appointed by the King, and by their successors, every officer holding his authority by virtue of a delegated authority, and every act of the duly appointed officers reaching down through all time to every citizen of that Kingdom. The hands of Jesus were lifted up over the apostles, and they received their commission: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature and baptize them." The apostles laid their hands on their successors, and so on until they rest on Christians to-day — practically the hands of Jesus stretching down through the ages, and pouring the water upon the head of the last baptized child, and giving the bread and the wine to the person who to-day kneels before the altar. This is apostolic succession. And that Kingdom should be one—united—not "divided against itself," as has been the case since men have undertaken "to make churches," to perpetuate opinions, and to teach doctrines.

This is the idea of the Church we find recorded in the Bible, as it tells us what Jesus and the apostles did. "The very first act of Christ's ministry," as an able writer puts it, "was to gather a few persons around him and form a society—the twelve disciples. At first they were only disciples—learners. He kept them near Him; He taught them by word and example. His parables He explained privately to them only. He trained them for their work by

sending them out two and two, to preach and heal. There were evidently three ranks among these; Himself, the Head; the twelve next, and the third the seventy. Just before his Ascension Christ raised the twelve to the first rank, saying, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

The first act of the apostles after this was to choose one to take the place of Judas, showing thereby that the society, or organization was to be kept up. At that time the disciples in Jerusalem had increased to one hundred and twenty. Acts 1. 15. The organization was complete, but it had not received the breath of life. On the Day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit was breathed into this organism, and it became active and aggressive. This was the baptism, the new birth, of the Church.

Soon after this we find the Church choosing deacons, and the apostles ordaining them by laying on of hands. Next we read of elders, or presbyters, or priests, evidently differing in office from apostles and deacons. The apostles go forth to the cities of the world, preaching and ordaining elders in every city. Thus the living society is enlarged and has in it all the germs for continuance. It shows that Christ's first and great method for saving souls was not to write a book or propound a philosophy which might have been done by some prophet, but was to found a Church, in living connection with Himself, its Head."

Which "idea" is the better one depends on the fact whether Christ organized a Church or not. If you were called upon to make a choice, would you not prefer to belong to the Church that Christ established and officered and sent out into the world to do His work and has perpetuated to this day—a Church that traces its history through all the Christian centuries—than to some man-made church that can date back its existence only to a time when it broke away from the grand, old, historic Church of Christ, in the heat of debate over some doctrine or practice, and lives now to perpetuate its opinion? Prejudice aside, is their any comparison between the

Church of Christ and the church of an opinion—between a living organism and a human society? According to the laws of nature, there must be more real vitality, a fuller, richer life in a Divine Body, than in a human society—in the Kingdom of God seeking men, than in a lot of men seeking the Kingdom of God.

Such a conception of the Church of God is grand, inspiring, helpful. It is calculated to secure the devotion and allegiance of men as something worthy of their love. It makes Churchmen who act from principle as well as from choice. It rises far above that belittling, selfish, self-pleasing idea that we go to church where and when we like the minister, and work and worship when things suit us, and feel no sense of duty or obligation when other conditions exist. This is the "Church Idea," which is held by that branch of the Church Catholic, known in America as the Episcopal Church, tracing its lineage back to Apostolic Church.

Daily Bible Reading

"I am sorry for the men who do not read the Bible every day; I wonder why they deprive themselves of the strength and of the pleasure. It is one of the most singular books in the world, for every time you open it, some old text that you have read a score of times suddenly beams with a new meaning. There is no other book that I know of, of which this is true; there is no other book that yields its meaning so personally, that seems to fit itself so intimately to the very spirit that is seeking its guidance."—Woodrow Wilson.

Shadows

No life can be great without the equipment of sorrow.

There is a depth of sweetness, an abiding light, in a heart that has known suffering and borne it nobly that prosperity and long contentment cannot have.

It is sometimes bitterly said that God is the invention of the ruling classes, of the rich and favored and fat. But the contrary is the case, for belief in God

is fed from the springs of trouble. Worship, said Carlyle, lies at the bottom of sorrow.

The beauty of the rose depends upon the muck and the dead leaves sacrificed at its roots.

Out of the battlefields of Europe is springing a strange new birth of faith.

Out of the havoc of tyranny will come a strong, irresistible movement for liberty. The only thing that can compensate humanity for the present orgy of mad dynasties is a revolution that will democratize the people and establish the United States of Europe.

Sorrow comes to every one. And well for the soul that understands that the beauty and richness of life lie in its shadows.

When the day comes that your soul is of age, when you have arrived at last at wisdom, then you will be thankful for every rebuff fate gave you, for with the stripes of destiny you are healed.

Disappointment, disillusion, betrayal, pain, failure—every one of them is but a part of that rich earth the great Gardener has been digging in about your soul, that some day the lilies of majesty may bloom in you.

"The shadows!" exclaimed Auguste Rodin, as he gazed upon the Venus de Milo in the Louvre, that incomparable masterpiece of human achievement, "The divine play of shadows on antique marbles! One might say that shadows love masterpieces. They hang upon them, they make for them adornment. I find only among the Gothics and with Rembrandt such orchestras of shadows. They surround beauty with mystery. They pour peace upon us."

No man could have amassed enough treasure of feeling to transform the world by his life and words, no man could have pushed humanity up to divine kinship, except "a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief."

He Was So Young to Die! And Yet—!

The following beautiful little poem was written by a girl of sixteen on the occasion of the death of her younger brother:

"He was so young to die! If he had lived Great honour had been his; but now—!"
So spake our hearts in those first days of grief
When we had learnt that he was called to God.
So young! Yet what is age, or youth, or death.
In God's great changeless Mind where Time is not?
He calls each one of us when we have come As near perfection as on earth we may.
That boy, in his self-sacrifice for us, Had reached life's climax, and in reaching it
Touched Heaven's very Gates—unlocked them—passed—
To watch o'er those he loves and plead for them
With that Great God who leaves none comfortless."

Man is more eternal and universal than his time and condition. The breath of the Eternal, the genius that is divine, is in him. These make him free of the world into which he was born and in which he most intimately lives. Rooted in the condition of his birth, in deep sympathy with the life about him, yet he looks out upon the broader life and rises to it * * * There is an instinct in each one of us that reaches out toward something greater than our humanity. We feel that we are made for God. We know that there is a divinity within us and that divinity is ever reaching upward to the divine. We may resist the feeling within us, may stifle our inborn conviction, and in so doing, starve and crowd into a corner the highest, holiest force of our life. Doing that, we never rise above the flat and level plain of human life. We are of the earth earthly. We live in a world without a sky.

"On the other hand, that upper reach of the soul may point us to our goal. We may listen to the still, small voice within. The movement of our being will be Godward. Keep the windows of your soul open toward heaven.—Gladstone.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS { 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY }
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

Our Solemn Responsibility

The various societies of the Parish have resumed their activities and are now in the midst of their winters work.

Never have we take up our Christian work together under circumstances and conditions more sobering and more serious than at this present moment.

The whole world is "goaning and travailing in pain together." Every one is sobered in thought. Every one realizes the seriousness and the solemnity of the hour.

At such a time as this every heart aches for the untold millions who are suffering. Every soul yearns to be of some help, of some service to mankind.

When we contemplate the sublime heroism the awful sacrifices that are going on day by day on countless battle fields, in millions of Christian homes among all classes of people subordinating, as they are "individual comfort to the one great aim of national achievement, filled with self-surrender, unswerving and undoubting obedience to the inner voice, the same unshakable conviction of fighting for the best that is in them," are not our consciences pricked in self conviction for every idle

moment, every selfish act and selfish thought. We are being taught to-day by the terrible sacrifice and suffering that man's dignity and freedom consist in the unconditional surrender to duty and that the aim of society is, not the largest possible gratification of the individual instinct for happiness, but the highest possible expression, in individual activity, of mankind's striving for perfection.

Societies Are Meeting

The various societies of the parish are re-assembling after the summer vacations and are entering upon the winter's work. The next issue of the "Chimes" will include brief reports of the month's work. All members of the various parochial societies should re-enlist at once and attend the meetings. New comers into the parish are cordially invited to identify themselves with the work and will be welcomed to membership into any of the societies of the parish.

Further information will be gladly given to enquirers by the officers of the societies or by the Rector.

Strangers and Occasional Attendants

The Rector is pleased to see the large number of strangers who attend the services of Christ Church. They are always welcome and the ushers are always glad to show them to seats.

It is disappointing however, to the Rector that these strangers, who come occasionally and some frequently, continue to remain "strangers." He is anxious to meet them and invite them to identify themselves with the Parish. The Parish needs the co-operation and assistance of every one, and every one needs a "Church Home." No one can afford to be an "outsider," without a Church, which he can call his own.

There are many who are going through life, "ramblers," "floaters," "homeless." This is all wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that all in this community, who are not established in any Church will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and welcome them to Christ Church as their Church Home. Do not delay any longer. Do it now!

Assistant to the Rector

The Rector is pleased to welcome to Christ Church the Rev. J. L. Ware, who will assist him in the parish work during the coming winter. Mr. Ware is a senior in the Divinity School of Philadelphia and is a son of the Rev. James P. Ware of Drifton, Pennsylvania. He was ordained to the Diaconate last spring and expects to be advanced to the Priesthood at his graduation in June. Mr. Ware's special work will be among the young men and boys and he will be glad to be of assistance to all young people, whom, he hopes, to be able to interest in the work of the parish.

The Rector will be pleased to introduce Mr. Ware personally to the members of the parish after Sunday morning or evening service.

Special Prayer for Our Enlisted Men

At the Early Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 on Sunday morning special prayers are said for our country and on behalf of the men enlisted in military service—especially for the young men who have gone forth from Christ Church parish. Also, on every Friday afternoon, Evening Prayer is said in the Church at five o'clock, with special petition and intercessions for our nation and its rulers and for men enlisted in the army and navy, for physicians and nurses in hospitals and for all who are serving in their country's cause.

Relatives and friends of "our boys" from this parish, and all who have their country's interest at heart, are invited to attend these services and join in united prayer that God may bless the men and women who are enlisted in any service of our country and especially the members of this parish, that they may be granted protection from all harm, deliverance from all temptation and if it be His will a safe return, through the merits and intercession of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Book of Prayers and Hymns for Enlisted Men

The Rector has purchased a number of Books of Special Prayers and Hymns for private use, which he will be glad to present to the friends of the enlisted men from this Parish to be given or sent to them. This little book is very compact and can easily be carried in the pocket. All applications for these books will be promptly met, if request is made to the Rector.

We are glad to note that the more reputable drug stores in Germantown have agreed to close their places of business the greater part of Sunday. It is hoped that it will not be long before all Drug Stores in Germantown will be included in this list.

To help bring this about residents of this vicinity should not make purchases at Drug Stores on Sunday, except in cases of necessity.

The Need of Workers

The various societies of the Parish are resuming their winter's work. What a splendid opportunity is afforded to every earnest man and woman in this Parish to make his or her life "tell!"

Workers are needed in every department in our Church School—among the boys, among the young men among the girls, among the poor. There are so many shirkers, some jerkers, but not enough workers. It is workers that are needed—men and women, willing and anxious to assume responsibilities for God and resolved to give their best for Him.

The Rector cordially invites all persons who desire to engage in an unselfish and devoted service, to confer with him. They will not apply in vain.

Tell the Rector

Frequently the Rector accidentally hears of cases of long-standing illness in the Parish which should have been brought immediately to his attention. As it is impossible for him to know of these cases without being told of them, the attention of the congregation is called to the rubric at the beginning of the Order for the Visitation of the Sick, which reads "When any person is sick notice shall be given thereof to the minister of the Parish."

Parishioners should also notify the Rector when they change their addresses.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens a certificate stating that he or shee is a Communicant in god standing." Title II: Canon 12.

Shall the Chimes Be Continued?

The "Chimes" has been published for fifteen consecutive years, and like many other good things in life, it has been taken for granted and regularly accepted; but it has not, of late years, been appreciated to the extent of being adequately supported. During the past

three years the cost of publication has almost doubled. The price of subscription has remained the same. The result has been that each year there has been a deficit. Last year the amount was \$26.00. This deficit was borne by the Rector.

If the publication of the Chimes is to be continued during this year the cost should be met by every one subscribing and also, by generous contributions from those who are willing to give.

It is desired that every one in the Parish should have a copy of the "Chimes" each month. An extra supply is provided for strangers who worship with us and they are cordially invited to take copies from the table in the vestibules. Members of the Parish should be willing to help by subscribing or by sending donations toward the expense of publication. The discontinuance of the "Chimes" would be considered by many a grave mistake, if not a misfortune.

Therefore it is hoped that there will be a prompt and generous response in subscriptions and contributions on the part of all our parishioners.

The price of subscription will remain the same; fifty cents a year, or sixty cents if sent by mail. Contributions, above the price of subscription, will be welcomed in any amount.

Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to the Rev. J. L. Ware, care of Christ Church Parish House, Germantown.

Mr. Gurley

Frequent letters from Mr. Gurley, who is in the Military Service "somewhere in France" bring word that he is in good health. The censor is so strict that Mr. Gurley can give but little "news" of the wonderful experiences which he is having, but some day he will have some very interesting accounts to give to his friends.

In the meantime his many friends in Christ Church will be glad to hear from him that he is well, and our prayers will be for him that he may be kept from all harm and, if it be God's will, will be granted a safe return. Mr.

Parish Notes

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.

Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.

Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third

Monday, 8.00 P. M.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th

Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.

Christ Church Club—1st Friday

Daughters of the King—First and Third

Mondays, 8.00 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Women's

Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-

day, 4.00 P. M.

Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

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The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

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Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.

Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.

Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.

Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock

Baptism, 2nd Sunday in month, or by appointment.

Gurley's address is Sargent Richard H. Gurley, General Hospital No. 16 British Expeditionary Force A., P. O. S. 13. France.

A Reception to be Given to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt

A Reception will be given to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt in the Parish House on Thursday evening, October 25th at eight o'clock, to which all parishioners and attendants at Christ Church are cordially invited.

The occasion is the twenty fifth anniversary of the Rev. Mr. Arndt's association with the Parish, as Curate and Rector.

Mr. Arndt was called to Christ Church as the Assistant to the Rector, the Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., after his graduation from the Philadelphia Divinity School, June 1892.

The following year he was made Associate Rector of the Parish. Upon the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Falkner, Mr. Arndt was unanimously called as Rector.

With the exception of one year spent abroad, on leave of absence, at the American Church in Nice, France, Mr. Arndt has been at Christ Church for twenty-five years.

This Reception is tendered by the Vestry as a slight token of the respect and affection in which the Rev. and Mrs. Arndt are held by the parishioners of Christ Church.

A cordial invitation is extended to all parishioners and attendants at Christ Church to this Reception to be held in the Parish House, Thursday evening, October 25th, at eight o'clock.

W. G. R.

Church Calendar for 1918

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1918 has been ordered and may be had after November 1st. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

The Church Seasons appear in their appropriate "colors" and the Saints' Days and Festivals of the Church are similarly marked. On the back are selected lessons for each Sunday and Holy Day in the Church Year.

These Calendars may be purchased from the Verger. They cost thirty cents apiece.

Sailors and Marines to be Entertained in Christ Church Parish House

A committee has been formed to be known as the Patriotic Committee of Christ Church, for the purpose of helping those who are giving up so much for us. Friday evening, October 26th has been set aside to entertain fifty sailors and marines. The Committee are planning to do something each month, which will of course necessitate a certain amount of expense. While it is always necessary to have a committee to arrange for these things we want every member of the Parish to consider themselves part it, and do what they can to help this work along by giving what they are able to, no matter how small.

We feel sure if they have read or heard the reports the Christian Association, St. Andrew's Brotherhood and various other Societies make they must realize the necessity of this work.

We have a number from this Parish who are away from home and friends who would appreciate the same privileges we want to give these men. We do not want to confine it to caring for them by entertaining alone; we want to reach them in other ways and also show them that good clean, healthy, amusement means. The aim of this committee is also to keep in touch with our own boys, by writing, etc., and to show them they are still with us, in memory and in our prayers. Won't every one help us carry on this good work?

Contributions for this patriotic work are solicited and may be sent to Miss Chase, 45 E. Washington Lane, or to the Rector.

Women's Bible Class

The Women's Bible Class, which meets in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, has resumed its sessions. An invitation is extended to all women to attend the meetings. The class is taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore.

Persons in Arrears

A few subscribers through the envelope system have neglected to make up their arrears and the Accounting Warden would greatly appreciate it if all persons in arrears will enclose the amounts due as soon as possible.

A large majority have paid in full and the few in arrears will, no doubt, do the same when their attention has been called to it.

A "Mission" to be Held in Christ Church

A Mission will be held in Christ Church, beginning the second Sunday in Lent, February 24th and continuing until the Fourth Sunday in Lent, Mar. 10th. A "Mission" is a series of religious services and instructions, organized to quicken the religious life of Christians and to arouse the interest of persons indifferent to religion. Such will be the motive and purpose of the Mission to be held in this parish. The Missioner will be the Rev. Harvey Officer, member of the Order of the Holy Cross. Father Officer preached in Christ Church on Sunday morning, September 9th and all who heard him at that service were impressed by the strong, forceful sermon and the deep spirituality of the preacher. From this sermon can be presaged the spiritual feast that is in store for those who are privileged to attend the two weeks' Mission to be held in Christ Church during Lent.

Let every member begin now to anticipate this coming Mission, to let it be known far and wide, to prepare our hearts to receive the blessings and to pray that the Holy Spirit will be with us and with all who have a part in it.

Remember the date of the Mission, February 24th to March 10th, 1918.

Red Cross Society

Two Branches of the Red Cross Society hold meetings in Christ Church Parish House. One Branch meets every Wednesday at 10.30 and continues its session until five o'clock in the afternoon. The other meets every Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. The officers elected for the ensuing year are:

Miss Wurts, President

Miss Sykes, Vice President

Mrs. H. C. Thompson and Miss Woodroffe, Secretaries

Mrs. H. E. Fitzgerald, Treasurer

Miss Ella Chase is in charge of the Evening Class and Miss Helen Newland has charge of the Surgical Dressing Department.

All women in this vicinity are invited to join one of these Branches of the Red Cross.

Evening Meetings of the Red Cross

After a short summer vacation the evening Branch of the Red Cross resumed its meetings on September 2nd. This class meets in the Parish House on Tuesday evenings and we feel that it should include every member of this Parish and Community who do not attend the morning or afternoon meetings or belong elsewhere. There is work for all, if not Surgical Dressings, sewing. The needs of our boys are great, and not only our own but those who are with us in this dreadful but just war. There are many among us who have not been called to make any sacrifice, but why should we be willing to accept the sacrifice of mothers who have not only given one boy (in many instances her only child) but several. It is our safety that is being assured by these boys and their mother's sacrifice. If we cannot send any one to bear our share in this war we should at least feel that anything we can do to help make their sufferings less in time of need is one of the greatest pleasures and privileges that could be granted us. Not to be willing to do our part as women puts us in the same class as "slackers" and we certainly, as patriotic women, are not willing to allow anyone to say we are such. As we cannot be soldiers, marines or sailors let us do our best to help those who are doing for us.

We are very proud of our evening class and the work they turn out, and are positive if those who have not taken up this great work already if they would drop in and see how interested and earnest the workers are they would joyfully give up at least one

evening each week and join these faithful workers who feel it is a great privilege and not a sacrifice to do their bit.

Services on All Saints' Day

The Services on All Saints' Day, Thursday, November 1st, will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 A. M. At the latter service the names of parishioners who have entered into Life Eternal since last All Saints' Day will be read from the Chancel and prayers will be said at the altar. The offering will be for the poor of the Parish. Persons who wish to place flowers on the altar in memory to friends in Paradise are invited to send the flowers to the Parish House on the previous day, October 31st.

After the service these flowers will be taken to the sick in the Parish.

It is the teaching of the world of God and of our Lord and Saviour, and it has in every age been the belief of the Church, that heavenly beings are employed by God to minister to, to watch over, defend, and comfort His servants. Seen or unseen, they are about us. The soldier in the trenches, the sailor amidst the perils of the deep, the priest waging battle as a "Knight of God" with human sin and misery—all have about them the ministering spirit sent forth by the God of men and angels to aid and protect His own. May we not pray as Elisha prayed, "Lord, open the young man's eyes," and is it not conceivable that to those who are looking death in the face day by day, and to whom the unseen world is a great reality, there may be vouchsafed in answer to that prayer a consciousness of the presence of the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof?—Church Life.

The Religious Tramp

The religious tramp, is a phenomenon of a serious nature for the churches. He is not a foe to religion. He is indeed a believer, in a way, although he

asserts with a pseudo-liberality, that "one church is as good as another." He travels around to the "special services" which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and there are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. Just now in many communities, the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church-builder. Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life and death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church.—The Christian Century.

Some additional names have been added to the list of subscribers through the Envelope System during the past month. This is encouraging and is an indication of the growing interest among the attendants at the services and a recognition of the principal that **every one** should be a regular, systematic, conscientious supporter of the work of the parish. The Envelope System of giving should be extended until it includes **every member, child and adult, of every family** in the Parish. St. Paul lays down the rule: "Upon the first day of the week let **every one of you** lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." I Cor. 16:2. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule.

Sunday School Monthly Church Service

On the first Sunday in the month the Sunday School assembles in the Church at 9.45. This monthly Church service familiarizes the young people with the use of the Prayer Book and impresses them with the spirit of reverence and worship. Parents of the children are invited to attend this service at 9.45 on the first Sunday of each month. Parents are cordially invited to visit the Sunday School.

Maskeraid Party

Back again! Glad to see you. Are you coming? Sure and I am going to bring all my friends this year and enjoy one big night of fun and jollification. Friday Evening, November 2nd, 8 P. M. Tickets 25 cents. Including Refreshments.

Games of all kinds, fortune teller, and Prize for costumes. Benefit of C. C. Club, Men's B. Class and New floor in Gymnasium.

Big night.

C. J. C.

A Vacuum Cleaner Needed—Who Will Give?

In the last issue of the Chimes an appeal was made for help to purchase a Vacuum Cleaner for our good sexton. We know how many and great have been the demands made upon everybody at this trying time so concluded to wait until Fall to take up the question again. We have secured an excellent Cleaner at a very moderate price, and feel sure all the members of the congregation who have attended services must notice the improvement in the appearance of the carpet and pews, and will be willing to help pay for the comfort of knowing there must be fewer of those dreadful bug-bears of modern times "Germs," in our church. Wont everybody try and give a little. No matter how small, it will be thankfully received, as it will go to make up the amount necessary to pay for the Cleaner. Contributions may be given or sent to Miss Chase, 45 East Washington Lane.

A Good Example

Dr. H., pastor of a Presbyterian church, was a next-door neighbor of the writer. On Sunday as he was going into his home after the usual Sunday morning service, he was asked in a neighborly way how he had preached that day, and what was his theme. He stated that he had preached about as usual, and that his theme was "Bequests." When asked just what he meant by preaching on "Bequests", he stated that it had been his rule for a long time to preach at least one sermon every year upon the obligation of Christian people to remember the Lord's work in their last will and testament.

This up-to-date pastor stated further that when he knew members of his church who ought to make bequests for religious causes he sought opportunity to speak to them personally upon the subject. He said furthermore that they would usually do so. Not only this, but not infrequently he wrote wills himself for those who needed such help. Christian Intelligencer.

In each issue of the "Chimes" there has appeared for the past sixteen years this notice:

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Note: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void."

It is hoped that this form has suggested to many persons in this Parish the duty and propriety of including in their last will and testament a bequest

to Christ Church, Germantown. May the Holy Spirit open the hearts of our parishioners to remember their Mother Church.

"Come and See' the Men's Bible Class

These words were spoken by a man who had found something worth while. They were spoken to a man who, as we would say today, was a member of the church, who went to the services on Sunday, who gave of his means to support the church and was, to all outward appearances, living a high moral life.

The man who spoke these words had formerly been just about the same but one day there came into his life an influence which changed the whole course of it and not only his life but the lives of other men with whom he came in contact.

I have been asked to write a few words about the Men's Bible Class. This would mean something concerning the past, as a rule, and as we are just now living very much in the future, I wish to write something for the men of the Parish to think over and then, if it seems worth while, apply it to the Bible class for themselves.

Do you believe in preparedness? It took our country three years to answer that question and much time, labor and opportunity was wasted. One million, five hundred thousand young men, under thirty one years of age, have been chosen for military service by our government. The best the land could give have been taken and what preparation are we who are left making to fulfill the duties they gave up for this greater service? The industrial organizations are "speeding up" and producing, without these men, more than they did before. But what about the Church? What are we, who call ourselves Christians, doing to keep the "home fires burning?" Are we "speeding up" the work they laid down? Are we making any effort to "produce" our portion and then with our "second wind" as it were, going right ahead and doing the work of those members of the church who have answered the call of their country?

Every man who has been baptised is enlisted in the army of the King of Kings. He has promised to be His faithful soldiers and servant until his life's end and just as there is no excuse today for the registered man not hearing the call, so there is no excuse for any man in the church not living up to his obligation. It may be unconsciously that men evade this call to service but just as surely every man will be called upon to give an account of his stewardship.

Some day these men are coming back. What are they going to find? Depleted ranks and disbanded organizations or will they find that the boys have accepted the added responsibility, the older men have seen the vision and the spread of Christ's Kingdom has not only been kept at the mark attained when they left but, inspired and strengthened by their example and the larger call to service, we have pressed on to heights before unattainable.

The Bible Class, the Sunday School, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and other organizations are waiting for volunteers. Nathaniel said, "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Philip said, "Come and see."

How Not To Do It

Once upon a time a young man was baptized in All Saints' church, Twelfth and Fitzwater streets, Philadelphia. For many months he took a deep interest in the work of the Church, and then moved to another part of the city to be nearer his place of employment. He attached himself to another church because it was close to his home. After years of consistent Christian living, he committed a crime of which he was found guilty and for which he was condemned to several years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. While serving his "bit," the elders of his church paid him a visit; and, after telling him how scandalized they were by his fall from grace, demanded he resign his membership and sever his relations with that special communion of saints without delay. He did, and lo! the sheep became a goat.

On the other hand: an inmate of the Eastern Penitentiary, also in Philadelphia, recently said: "I had heard of the Episcopal Church, but had never cared for it till I went to prison."

What a noble work the City Mission of Philadelphia is doing among these people for Christ and His Church!

An Early Portrait of Christ

Portraits of Christ and the apostles which are believed to have been made at a time not far removed from New Testament days have been discovered on an old chalice now in American hands. The chalice can be dated with certainty in the second half of the first century A. D., says Dr. Gustavus A. Eisen, who has made a preliminary report upon it in the "American Journal of Archaeology." It was found by Arabs digging a well in Antioch on the Orontes, Syria. At the depth of many meters they came upon underground chambers which contained the treasure. It is probable that the old chalice, or communion cup, some of whose worn figures bear witness to the imprint of the kisses of early Christians, is a relic of a cathedral erected in Antioch by Constantine the Great after his removal of the capital of his empire to Constantinople.

The chalice is made in three parts. There is an inner bowl of plain silver, crudely made, with a heavy outer casting of beautiful sculptured work in which, woven in with a design of vine leaves and grapes, are the portraits of Christ and the disciples. The whole is supported on a short, slender stem and narrow foot disk turned out on a lathe from a solid block of silver. On the lower part of the bowl of the chalice is a cluster of lotus leaves. The sculptured work is Greek, that of an artist. Dr. Eisen believes, and the individuality shown in the faces makes it probable, that they were taken from life or from portraits; the wax portraits of the period were excellent. "Such individuality cannot be the result of accident," says Dr. Eisen, "and it is the first time that it has been shown in early Christian art."—The Living Church.

Teachers' Training Class

Teachers in our Sunday School and all persons who wish to qualify themselves as teachers will be glad to learn that they will have an opportunity to attend a Teachers' Training Class which will be begun on Thursday evening, November 1st, and will meet Thursday evening of each week until the middle of December.

The Class will be taught by Mrs. Louis Seymour Houghton. There are few women who are as well fitted to understand such work as Mrs. Houghton. An author of a number of books on Religious subjects, a close student of the Bible for many years, a lecturer before some of the most prominent educational institutions in the country, a woman of singular charm of personality and with unusual didactic ability.

Mrs. Houghton possesses qualifications, rarely combined in one individual, which enables her to bring the Bible to her hearers, as a Book, living, throbbing with God's message to each and every heart.

All who attend these classes will appreciate the privilege of studying the Bible under the instruction of such a teacher.

Not only the teachers in the Sunday School, but all are invited to attend this course which will begin in the Parish House on Thursday evening November 1st.

Provide your Own Prayer Books and Hymnals

Prayer Books and Hymnals are provided for strangers who attend the services of Christ Church and may be found at both entrances. Regular attendants at the services should provide themselves with their own Prayer Books. Every member of the church should possess a private set of Prayer Book and Hymnal, which should be brought to the Church and taken home after each service. Cloth covered books may be purchased at any book store for twenty-five cents and these may be left in the members pews.

Give Through the Envelope System

It is earnestly desired to extend the use of the envelope system to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this method everyone is given an opportunity to share in the support of the Parish and its work. Children, as well as adult members of the family, are invited to give through this system, thus inculcating in the young the Christian principle of systematic and conscientious giving. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the church. Everyone is urged to take one of these cards and to sign it for any amount each may feel able to give, on one side as a weekly offering to support the missionary work of the Church and on the other side as an offering to the support of the Parish.

Place this card on the plate on Sun-

day or send it to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Gtn. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of sickness or inclement weather.

This method will appeal to every one as the most practical and business-like in meeting the expenses of a Parish.

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Advent

"Advent Sunday" is the beginning of the Christian year. "Thus it happens" says Bishop Coxé "that in the Kingdom of Heaven, we live in advance of the world; we are a whole month on our way before the civil year begins. In this way our Holy Mother, the Church, teaches us to be ever on the alert, looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Day of God.

The Christian year, beginning with the Season of Advent, is so arranged as to bring before us the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. This aim is carried out by means of special collects, Epistles and Gospels, by special Lessons, and in certain cases by special selections of psalms.

The season of Advent, so called from the Latin *Adventus*, a coming, is intended to prepare our minds for the celebration of the coming of our Lord, both on that first Christmas Day and also on that great last Day when we shall appear before the judgment seat of God. It is im-

possible for us, as Christians, to enter into the joy of Christmas unless we realize the object for which Christ came into the world—viz: to save not merely from the guilt and consequences but from the *power of sin*.

Thus, this season of Advent, in its Lessons, Epistles and Gospels, strongly mingles the most joyous with the most appalling thoughts; for while it strikes the keynote of our Christmas rejoicings, it dwells on this first Advent with special reference to its bearings on that which is yet future, when "He shall come again to judge both the quick and the dead."

How helpful to the soul this annual "awakening," and setting forward towards Christ's appearing and towards immortality!

Christ tells us: "Watch, therefore, for ye know not when the Master of the House cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping."

The Christian year, which, as we have said, begins with Advent, is divided, for practical and doctrinal purposes, into two parts. In the first or festal part of the year—that is from Advent to Trinity—the Epistles and Gospels are selected for their appropriateness to the teachings of the *doctrine* of the day or season; in the second, or non-festal part of the year—that is, from Trinity to Advent—they follow a certain regularity, setting forth the *practical life*, which should flow out of these doctrines or teachings.

By this method of the Christian year the Church brings before her people the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. Nothing essential is lost; nothing is added. It is a well rounded teaching of the Christian faith and life.

The teachings of the various seasons of the Church year may be epitomized as follows:

Advent. The Church year commences with the season of Advent which begins four Sundays before Christmas Day. During this period the Church warns mankind of the coming of Christ, the Son of God. This season is penitential in character. The color for Advent is purple.

Christmas. The Advent season is followed by Christmas Day, and the Christmas season, which commemorate the birth of Christ. Color is white.

Epiphany. Then comes the season of the Epiphanytide, when the wise men, led by the star, came to see the infant Christ. Our Lord is here manifested before the Gentile world as the Son of the Living God. Color is green.

Lent. This season lasts for forty days and is a period of abstinence and prayer. Consistent church members do not attend any places of amusement during this season and practice special self-denial in the way of food, pleasure, etc. Color is purple.

Good Friday. This day commemorates the crucifixion of Christ. It is a solemn fast day in the Church. Color black.

Easter. On this day and during this Eastertide the Church emphasizes the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Color is white.

The Ascension. Forty days after the resurrection is celebrated the feast of the Ascension and the Ascention-tide when Christ ascended into heaven. Color is white.

The Feast of Whitsunday. Ten days after the Ascension occurs the feast of Whitsunday, or Pentecost, when the Holy Ghost came down upon the assembled Christian band in the upper chamber. Color is red.

Trinity. Then follows Trinity Sunday which closes the doctrinal part of the year and brings before the people the idea of the ever blessed Trinity. Color is white.

Trinity Season. On the Sundays following and continuing up to Advent the practical duties of the Christian life are emphasized. Like Aaron's rod, the rod and staff of our Creed must now blossom and bear fruit in Christian life and service; so we pray the life-giving Spirit that we, who are by nature dead in sin, may become plants of grace in the garden of God. The color of Trinity season is, therefore, green.

Saints' Days and other holy days, intersperse the Church year to commemorate the blessed Apostles and martyrs of the Church. The color for martyrdom is red.



No real progress in any department of our lives has been made by intermittent efforts. All true growth is steady and consistent if it is a healthy growth. Let us not deceive ourselves, then, into thinking that we can make any real progress morally or spiritually unless we are constant and faithful, in season and out of season, in the worship and service of Almighty God, and in our use of the Sacraments of His Church.

Special Speakers on Diocesan Missions

The rector has arranged to have special speakers come to Christ Church on an average of once a month, during the coming year, to address the congregation on the home missionary work that is being carried on in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. It is believed that the character and extent of the missionary work done by our church throughout our own Diocese is not generally known by the members of our Parish. It is a very great and a very important work. In its scope it includes work among the colored people, the Italians, the Jews, the immigrants which pour into our city, the support of the Galilee and the "Inasmuch" Mission, both of which are doing such good work in uplifting fallen men, the work among the Seamen, the support of missions in the rural districts of the diocese, the extension of church and social service work throughout the rapidly growing portions of our city; missionary work in the jails and penitentiaries, in hospitals and homes for the aged and for the poor and for the young. It extends its support to the Deaf Mutes and to the Blind and reaches out as far as the Mount Alto Sanitarium for the support and relief of cases of tuberculosis. Through innumerable other channels, also, the church in this Diocese is endeavoring to do its Master's work by ministering to those who are in need, sorrow, sickness or distress.

To meet the expenses of this great missionary work which the church is doing within its Diocese, a budget is prepared each year and a definite amount is asked by the Diocesan Board of Missions. At the last Diocesan Convention the Board submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese be requested to contribute during the coming year for the Missionary work of the Diocese the aggregate sum of not less than \$37,600.00.

This amount, \$37,600.00 is, therefore apportioned among the eight "Convocations" of the Diocese. As our share, the "Convocation of Germantown" is assessed for Diocesan Missions \$5,440.00. This amount is in turn, distributed pro

rata among the various parishes in the Germantown Convocation. The amount which our parish of Christ Church is privileged to give toward this great Diocesan work, (including the Sustentation Fund) is \$396.97.

The Rector's object in inviting speakers to address our congregation, from time to time, on the various aspects of this Diocesan missionary work, is to give our people an intelligent understanding of the great work that is being done by our Church in the missionary fields of this diocese. He believes that when the people of Christ Church understand the scope of the work, its importance, its needs and its opportunities, no appeal for financial support will be made to them in vain.

The following have kindly accepted the Rector's invitation to speak on the special work mentioned. Each speaker is an expert on the subject treated. An offering will be taken at each service for the object presented.

Sunday Evening, November 18th—

The Rev. Edwin S. Lane

(Secretary Commission on Social Service)

"Work Among Immigrants"

Sunday Morning, December 16th—

The Rev. Edward M. Frank

(Member Commission on Church Work Among Immigrants)

Sunday Morning, January 13th—

The Rev. T. E. Della Cioppa

(Rector L'Emmanuelio, Philadelphia)

Work Among the Italians.

Sunday Morning, February 10th—

Mr. A. L. E. Crouter.

(Supt. Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb)

"Church Work Among the Deaf"

Sunday Morning, March 24th—

Mr. John L. Zacker

(Supt. of "Hear O Israel" Mission, Philadelphia)

"Work Among the Jews."

Sunday Morning, April 24th—

The Rev. Henry L. Phillips.

(Archdeacon Church League for Work Among Colored People)

"Work Among Colored People."

Sunday Morning, May 12th—

(Member of Society for Promotion of Church Work Among the Blind)

"Work Among the Blind."

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 8:00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2:30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7:45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7:30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11:00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9:30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9:45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3:00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5:00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

"Remember the Mission"

To be held in Christ Church

A Mission will be held in Christ Church, beginning the second Sunday in Lent, February 24th, and continuing until the Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 10th. A "Mission" is a series of religious services and instructions, organized to quicken the religious life of Christians and to arouse the interest of persons indifferent to religion. Such will be the motive and purpose of the Mission to be held in this parish. The Missioner will be the Rev. Harvey Officer, member of the Order of the Holy Cross. Father Officer preached in Christ Church on Sunday morning, September 9th, and all who heard him at that service were impressed by the strong, forceful sermon and the deep spirituality of the preacher. From this sermon can be presaged the spiritual feast that is in store for those who are privileged to attend the two weeks' Mission to be held in Christ Church during Lent.

Remember the date of the Mission, February 24th to March 10th, 1918.

Attention! Scholars of our Church School and Bible Classes!

Every teacher, officer and scholar of our schools and members of all Bible Classes are requested to be present at 2:30 o'clock, on Sunday afternoon, November 25th, ready to march into the Church to attend the combined service of the Church Schools of the Parishes of St. Peter's, St. Michael's, Church of the Epiphany, St. Barnabas' and Christ Church!

Every scholar, teacher and officer of all departments of the School should be present!

The members of the Schools will be seated first and parents and friends will be accommodated later.

Let us have three hundred strong from Christ Church School.

Remember the date and hour! Sunday afternoon, November 25th. Assemble at 2:30. Service at 3:00.

Calendar for November

November 4th, Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
November 11th, Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
November 18th, Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.
November 25th, Sunday next before Advent.
November 29th, Thanksgiving Day.
November 30th, St. Andrew's Day.

A Change of Publisher

With this issue a change will be made in the publication of the CHIMES. This paper will hereafter be published by the Church Press Co., of West Haven, Conn. The CHIMES will be issued on the third Sunday of each month and all copy intended for publication must be in hand, at the latest, ten days before that date.

Our Advertisers

The readers of the CHIMES will notice an increase in the number of advertisements in the CHIMES. This is due to the indefatigable efforts of Miss Isabelle Chapman, who has charge of this department of the CHIMES.

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Subscribe for the Chimes

It is only by the support of the members of the parish through their subscriptions and donations that the CHIMES will be able to be published during the coming year.

In addition to subscriptions the CHIMES is indebted to several generous friends for donations. These friends have the thanks of the CHIMES for their generous support.

All subscriptions and contributions should be sent at once to Rev. J. L. Ware, Christ Church Parish House, Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.

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**Services on Thanksgiving Day**

The services on Thanksgiving Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M., Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00. The offering at both services will be for the Episcopal Hospital.

**The Rector's Twenty-fifth Anniversary**

On Thursday evening, October 25th, a reception was tendered to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt in the Parish House, on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Rev. Mr. Arndt's association with the Parish as Curate and Rector.

The reception was very largely attended by members of the Parish and a delightful evening was enjoyed by all.

An added pleasure was the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander.

During the reception, Mr. James M. Woodroffe, the Rector's Warden, presented to the Rector a purse of gold "as a slight token of esteem and affection from some of his friends in the Parish."

The Rector accepted the gift with deep feeling of appreciation.

A beautiful address was made by the Bishop to the Rector and to the members of the Parish.

**A New Floor for the Gymnasium**

From the wear and tear of the gymnasium, which is used for so many occasions by the parish societies, the floor has recently become unsafe so that it has been found necessary to replace it by an entirely new floor.

The expense will be considerable and some of the societies of the parish will contribute to help meet it. Contributions from other members of the parish will be very welcome and may be sent to the Warden or to the Rector.

War and Missions

Don't Forget to Give for Missions.

Many are no doubt concerned lest our missionary work should suffer because of the condition of the world to-day. They feel, too, that on account of the large sums that have been contributed for Belgian Relief, Red Cross work, and other kindred objects, and because of the great demands that will come upon the finances of the people when we are actively engaged in the war, it will be difficult, if not impossible, to make any advance or even to keep up our present standard of missionary activity. Viewed in the light of history this fear has no foundation whatever. It is interesting to note that five of the great British missionary societies were founded during the time when the Empire was at war. From 1792 to 1804, when these societies were founded, the Empire was just recovering from its war with the United States and entering upon the wars with France under Napoleon. Later we find that during the Crimean War not only the British societies but also the missionary societies of the continent maintained their standard of offerings and in many cases made increases. The same was true of the Boer war.

We might expect that on account of the gigantic operations of the present war and its immense call upon money and men, never before even approximated, that all the resources of the nations engaged would be marshalled for offense and defense, and that all missionary endeavor would suffer accordingly. As a matter of fact, the thirty-five missionary societies in Great Britain show individually and collectively a substantial increase in the contributions received for missions in the year 1916 over the year before the war.

When we come to this country we find that the missionary societies of North America and Canada show a substantial increase in the year 1916. The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions records the *largest receipts in the history of the society.*

When we come to our own Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society we find that in 1915, facing a possible deficit of \$400,000, we secured \$432,000, with the inauguration of the Emergency Fund, paying off every obligation of the society and closing free from debt for the first time since 1916. In addition to that the year of 1916 closed not only with all bills paid, but with a surplus of \$31,000 in the treasury for advance work, and with a record of having given \$50,000 in addition, from undesignated legacies, for equipment in the continental domestic missionary field. When we think of the organization of the Church in the years 1907 to 1910 to secure \$1,000,000 as a men's thank offering, and that only about three-quarters of this amount was secured, and then think of the success of the Church Pension Fund during the years of war, starting out to raise \$5,000,000 and exceeding it by a million and a half dollars, we feel sure that the great suffering of humanity in the world to-day has touched men's hearts as never before.

It is interesting to note that the missionary societies in the United States maintained a splendid record during the years of the Civil War. From 1861 to 1865 gifts from living donors recorded by six missionary societies jumped from \$816,000 in 1862 to \$1,575,000 in 1865. The record of those years shows a steady increase which reached a maximum in 1865, the year Lee surrendered.

We need not be faint-hearted nor fear for our work even with our country engaged in this great conflict. *But we should bear in mind that when the war is over the Church must be prepared for the greatest opportunity that ever faced Christianity. Men are thinking seriously about the deep things of life. The veneer has been struck off and we have come down to the real human being. If we would profit by what history teaches us, we will see that God's work is not neglected, in a time when our most whole-hearted support is needed. We will not let our faith grow dim nor our courage flag. Don't forget to do your part for Missions!*

Men's Bible Class

The class is making progress. While there is still room for more advancement, and it will be made, it is a good sign to note the forward march.

Many of our Parish have not, as yet, paid us a visit. The class loses by their action but they lose far more because they who come to the class and social meetings receive far more than they give. Try it out for yourself.

On Sunday, November 4th, the class began a membership campaign and we hope by the time it closes, on January 27th, to have a great increase in attendance. It should also stimulate the activity of the Parish and we hope to show that the men are able to do more than past records show.

The class is also working in conjunction with the Patriotic Committee and showing the "jolly tars" from League Island that they have friends who take an interest in them.

On the 2nd or 9th of December the class hopes to present to the Parish a Service Flag bearing a star for every enlisted man from our Parish. It is going to be a big night with a great service and you can help by turning in the name of any enlisted man from the Parish entitled to a star.

On December 16th the class will be in charge of the Pleasant Hour Service at the Germantown Boys' Club. Mr. Stanley V. Wilcox, one of our old guard and now Lay Assistant at Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church, will make the address to the boys.

The Annual Banquet will, very likely, be held on Lincoln's Birthday, February 12th. At this time every man who has secured five new members during the contest will be the guest of the class.

At the annual meeting on October 18, the following officers were elected: President, Chas. H. Jackson; Vice President, James Rayner; Secretary, Claude R. Reckard; Treasurer, D. Frank Wilcox. The Executive Committee is composed of the above officers and the following: Rowland M. Jones, Frederick Lennig, Edward Moore, Dr. J. C. Courtney, Samuel N. Baxter and J. T. McKeown. C. J.

Lest We Forget

The Rector has made frequent appeals from the Chancel for names of the men of this Parish who have been called to active service in the cause of Liberty.

Judging by the number of replies received only a very few men have answered their Country's call and the reason for this apparent indifference on the part of relatives and friends is unexplainable. Parents and friends of our enlisted men will want to have the name of the hero appear on the Roll of Honor which will hang in the vestibule of the Church and have a star shine out for him on the Service Flag.

While these two objects are, in away, sufficient reasons for securing these names, the most important reasons are given below in order that every one who is interested in any man in service may consider them and then fulfill their obligation.

1st. That the Rector may know definitely what men of his Parish are in service and keep in touch with them.

2nd. That their friends may correspond with them and make them know that some one thinks of them.

3rd. That the personal wants of the men may be looked after and that they may be supplied with good reading matter.

4th. That the men may be remembered at the Holy Communion and prayers said for their spiritual and physical welfare.

5th. That the names may be given the National Office of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and so, through the Camp Secretary, have personal efforts made upon every man to keep him on the right path.

Surely no one will need another reminder and any who have not so far aided in this good work will do so at once.

President of the Bible Class.

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Parish Visitor

The Rector is pleased to announce that there has been added to the working force of the Parish Miss Wurts, who he has appointed Parish Visitor. Miss Wurts' special duties will be in the women's work in the Parish.

A Service for the Combined Church Schools to be held in Christ Church

The Church Schools of St. Peter's, St. Michael's, Church of the Epiphany, St. Thomas' and Christ Church will hold an united Service in Christ Church on the last Sunday of this month, November 25th, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The schools will march in procession from their churches and assemble in our Parish House, at two-thirty o'clock. From here they will proceed into the church.

The choir will consist of members of the choirs from each of the five parishes. The address will be given by the Rev. Frederick Seymour, Rector of St. Philip's Church, West Philadelphia.

The offering at this service is asked to purchase a Liberty Bond for the Children's Ward of the Episcopal Hospital.

This is the third successive year that this combined service has been held and steadily grown in favor. Last year it was estimated that over a thousand members of the schools were present in Christ Church.

Parents and friends of the schools are cordially invited to be present.

Remember the date, Sunday, November 25, at three o'clock.

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The Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting has opened for the winter's work with a good attendance and an enthusiastic spirit. We hope to accomplish our usual work and shall be glad of orders for aprons, towels and rugs.

We began our season with the treat which we usually hold in the spring, but which was unavoidably postponed. On Tuesday, Oct. 22, we all enjoyed seeing Douglas Fairbanks in "Down to Earth," and then adjourned to the Rectory where ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

We have a membership of twenty-one, but before the end of the winter we hope it will be largely increased.

H. M. F. A.

The Patriotic Committee

The Patriotic Committee of Christ Church has planned to give a series of entertainments for the Sailors and Marines who are located in our city.

These men are strangers here and many miles from their homes, and it is for the purpose of giving them a touch of home and surrounding them with good influences as well as keeping them from temptations of a large city, that these entertainments are given.

To do this it is necessary to have funds to carry it on, so if you have not contributed to this fund, but will, the committee will thank you in advance.

We feel sure if you could have been present at the entertainment and supper given Oct. 26th to sixty-eight sailors, and seen the appreciation shown by these men you would know the urgent necessity of continuing the work thus begun.

Contributions may be sent to the Chair-lady, Miss E. W. Chase, 45 E. Washington Lane, Chairwoman Patriotic Committee of Christ Church.

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The St. Andrew's Brotherhood

The strength of the Brotherhoods has been spent in nourishing that lusty infant, the Bible Class. In their sphere of service among men they have labored nobly, and achieved results. The time now comes for the Brotherhoods to extend their interests and influences by prayer and action. Hence a reorganization has become necessary. Many of our Juniors are ready for the Senior Brotherhood, or have been called to the service of humanity under the stars and stripes. But those who remain hope to prove their steadfastness to their vows of service and prayer by their faithful carrying out of the plans for glowing meetings, earnest services and work on the firing line in reclaiming lost souls.

The Senior Brotherhood met to begin its work on Nov. 9. The meeting of the Junior Brotherhood will be held on Nov. 20 at 8.00 P. M. in the Parish House. All young men are cordially invited to hear the plans for the coming year.

Give Through the Envelope System

It is earnestly desired to extend the use of the envelope system to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this method everyone is given an opportunity to share in the support of the Parish and its work. Children, as well as adult members of the family, are invited to give through this system, thus inculcating in the young the Christian principle of systematic and conscientious giving. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the church. Everyone is urged to take one of these cards and to sign it for any amount each may feel able to give, on one side as a weekly offering to support the missionary work of the Church and on the other side as an offering to the support of the Parish.

Place this card on the plate on Sunday or send it to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Gtn. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of sickness or inclement weather.

This method will appeal to every one as the most practical and business-like in meeting the expenses of a Parish.

It is the method also which will appeal to conscientious people who wish to do their share in the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It is hoped that the system will be extended until every one in the Parish will be a contributor through the envelope system.

The pledge, being wholly voluntary, may be withdrawn at any time by notifying the Rector.

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Do not forget to attend the afternoon service held in Christ Church Friday afternoons at five o'clock.

Prayers for our country in time of war and special intercessions on behalf of the men enlisted from this Parish are said at this service.

Women's Missionary Society

The Women's Auxiliary met on Thursday morning, November 1st, with a large attendance. We missed, however, several faithful ones.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. I. Morrison; Vice President, Mrs. Henry R. Barenmore; Secretary, Mrs. Frank Wells; Treasurer, Mrs. Edwin F. Kamberly. It was learned with great regret that our former faithful Secretary, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, will not be in Germantown during the coming winter. She will be greatly missed but we are glad that her absence is to be only temporary and we shall hope to see her back again very soon.

The United Offering presented in October was most encouraging in amount. It will be arranged to have special speakers at the meetings to be held monthly during the winter, and it is hoped that these meetings will be largely attended by the women in the Parish. Every woman should identify herself with the Women's Auxiliary, the Missionary Society of the Church. All will be cordially welcomed. The next regular meeting will be held in the Parish House on Thursday morning, December 6th, at half past ten o'clock.

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Church Calendar for 1918

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1918 has been ordered and may be had after November 1st. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

The Church Seasons appear in their appropriate "colors" and the Saints' Days and Festivals of the Church are similarly marked. On the back are selected lessons for each Sunday and Holy Day in the Church Year.

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Persons who wish a woman to come to home occasionally to take care of children or act as companion or reader to invalid may apply to above.

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The Rector's Notes

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BEGINNING SUNDAY, FEBRU-
ARY 24TH, AND CONTINUING
UNTIL MARCH 10TH. PRAY FOR
IT! PREPARE FOR IT!

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Christmas Giving In War-Time.

It is not too early to say a word as to Christmas giving. We must give this year on a more liberal scale than ever before—but not to each other.

Let us all make this Christmas a real Christmas by getting the true spirit of Christmas—the *spirit of Christ*, Who gave Himself.

Let our Christmas giving be for beneficent purposes, and let it be greater and larger, and more self-sacrificing than ever before.

Every American citizen, who is worthy of the name, has been generously and unselfishly giving, for the past nine months, in response to the appeal of patriotism. This is right and as it should be.

Why not now, on Christmas Day, turn our attention, our sympathies, and our generosity toward the Church? Prac-

tically all our Church Funds need money for absolutely necessary purposes. General, Diocesan, and local charities—our own parish support, the replenishing of our poor fund—be these the recipients of our Christmas gifts this year.

What nobler Christmas gift could there be than a generous offering from each member of the Parish on Christmas Day toward the payment of our annual Parish apportionment of \$300.00 to the Fund to care for the Aged and Infirm Clergy of the Church. "While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith." Gal. vi:6.

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But we are not to forget each other at this Christmas time. A Christmas letter from friend to friend will be a most acceptable and personal remembrance. A book that is worth reading, a subscription to a good magazine, a Christmas card, selected as a reminder of the true Christmas story is better, now, than an ostentatious present. Let the gift be in the *spirit* rather than in the present.

Teach children, too, this true Christmas giving. Let them enjoy the blessed privilege of giving and giving up.

Let old and young try at this Christmas which comes in the midst of the sadness and the suffering of the world to bring Christmas back to the olden plan as a holy day and restore to it something of the original beauty of unselfishness, and love. Let us this Christmas by our restraint, no less than by our deeds, assist in giving a true color to the day that stands for the way of peace, to a world that even yet has not learned that there is no other way to that goal than the way of the Prince of Peace.

Christmas Communion

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there, as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means meeting with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! Wise men ever bring gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offerings of their earthly substance, offerings of worship and adoration, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones, offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church, and offerings of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who was given to us to be our Pattern and our Guide.

That every communicant may kneel before Him on the day of His Nativity and offer unto Him "their hearts deepest devotions." Holy Communion will be celebrated in this Church at 6.30, 7.30 and 11.00 o'clock. Every one, who is physically able, will want to come to, at least, one of these Services. The happiest Christmas is the one that is filled with Christ and His love.

Love—the Spirit of Christmas

What else should be in our thoughts at this most holy time, than the love of Christ. Of all the news that could be brought to us what so good as this, that unto us is born, as at this time, "a Saviour which is Christ the Lord?" God's love toward man, man's love toward God—this is the Christmas message *Love, Love, Love!* "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." "If God so loved us, we ought to love one another."

If this Spirit of Christmas were to prevail, the barbarous methods of competitive trade, the soulless administration of trusts and the evils of the department store bargain counters, etc., would have to give way to the spirit of "live and let live."

If this Spirit of Christmas were to prevail, all the wrongs of humanity would be done away with; war would be no more; if all men would at all times be possessed of the true Christmas spirit, greed and lust and envy would find no room to dwell where love abides.

Happiness eludes every searcher for it, but comes quickly and abundantly to the one who seeks to bestow it upon someone else. The searcher for happiness may get wealth, and power, and fame, but none of these advantages will avail anything in getting happiness. Even from friends it cannot be obtained, for happiness comes from what is given out rather than from what is gathered in. Loving, unselfish service, the persistent, enthusiastic effort day by day to bring sweetness, light, comfort, and goodness into the lives of others, will surely bring happiness into the life of any man, woman, or child. No sorrow of heart, no doubt of the future, no restlessness or aimlessness of the present, no loneliness or bitterness of soul, but will yield and be resolved into joy and peace and purpose as soon as the days are filled with labors of love—as soon as the eagerness to *get* happiness is replaced by an eagerness to *give* it to others.

Three Holy Days after Christmas

Three days following Christmas are dedicated to three sacred events: First, on December 26th, is commemorated The Martyrdom of St. Stephen. This day has been commemorated since the fourth century. In the Greek Church the Festival is a day later than it is in ours. In addition to the reasons given above for its position in the Calendar, it has been said that "Christ was born on earth in order that Stephen might be born in heaven." Thus this, the anniversary of his martyrdom, is also, in a higher sense, the anniversary of his birth.

On December 27th occurs The Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Then we remember the fisherman John, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the brother of James, the partner in the earthly business of Simon and Andrew; and we see what grace made him. We remember how he was called and obeyed the call; how he abode with Christ after the tenth hour on that memorable day; how he became a fisher of men; how he was styled a son of thunder; how he was admitted to be the beloved disciple; how he leaned on that bosom; how he stood by the cross; how he made it his business to house the Virgin-mother; how he grew and expanded and was perfected, waxed riper, and more and more reflected the image of his Master, received and diffused light; how he suffered for the truth; had heaven opened to him at Patmos, and tarried to such an old age that men thought he would live on till Christ came, all the time doing his Lord's work, ordering the Church after his Lord's mind, teaching, reclaiming, ruling, refuting error, declaring the truth by word and writing to the end.

On December 28th is celebrated the Martyrdom of the Innocents, which was anciently commemorated at the Epiphany; the date of its first observance as a separate festival is not known. The Innocents have always been regarded by the Church as martyrs, they having, though unwittingly, shed their blood for Christ. (See St. Matt. 2:16-17.)

Honor Roll of Enlisted Men

The Honor Roll of enlisted men from this parish has been revised and is hung in the Tulpehocken St. vestibule of the Church. The list includes 40 names,—thirty-nine men and one woman, who is serving as a nurse in France.

At the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and on Friday afternoon at five o'clock, special prayers are said on behalf of all enlisted in the service of our country and especially for the members from this congregation.

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

Miss Elizabeth B. Kirk
Richard H. Gurley
Frederick R. Feist
Herbert A. Feist
William J. Feist
Stephen Whitby
Walter Cotterill
Nathan Abrams
Charles Connelly
Horace Cannon
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Christ Church Chimes

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Vestry of Christ Church

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William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
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O. N. Middleton (1901)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Powley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.10 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for December

December 2. First Sunday in Advent.
December 9. Second Sunday in Advent.
December 16. Third Sunday in Advent.
December 21. St. Thomas.
December 23. Fourth Sunday in Advent.
December 25. CHRISTMAS DAY.
December 26. St. Stephens.
December 27. St. John Evangelist.
December 28. Holy Innocents.
December 30. Sunday after Christmas.

REMEMBER THE MISSION!
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH TO
SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH. PRAY
FOR IT! PREPARE FOR IT!

Services on Christmas Day

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 6.30 and 7.30 A. M.; Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 o'clock.

The offering at all services on Christmas Day will be toward our parish apportionment for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund. Our annual apportionment is \$300.00.

Music for Christmas Day

Processional 49, "Oh come, All Ye Faithful."
Venite and Glorias (Alcock)
Te Deum (West in B flat)
Communion Service (Woodward in D)
Anthem, "It came upon the Midnight Clear" (Sullivan)
Hymn 51, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."
Retrocessional 60, "Angels from the Realms of Glory."

Church School Christmas Service

All departments of our Church School will hold their Christmas Service in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 23rd, at half past three o'clock. All departments of the School will assemble in the Parish House and march into the Church.

The Schools are now practicing their Christmas carols which will be sung at this service. The address will be delivered by the Rev. J. L. Ware.

All members of the Congregation, and especially the parents and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to the service.

The Christmas Entertainment will take place in the Parish House on Thursday evening, December 27th at eight o'clock.

The Primary Department will hold their Christmas Entertainment on the afternoon of the same day. "Mrs. Wiggs' Sunday School" will be produced with rare talent selected from the little ones of the School. Of course Santa Claus will be present to distribute Christmas gifts to his many young friends in Christ Church.

Additional Contributions and Subscribers to the "Chimes"

Since our last issue the following persons have sent in their subscriptions and contributions for the CHIMES.

Miss M. M. Nixon, Miss Margaret Bryan, Mrs. Jno. C. Krohn, Mrs. Dr. Johnson, Mrs. Crowder, Mrs. Shinn, Mrs. Heyer, Miss Cave, Mrs. Sally Johnson, Mrs. Arthur Thacher, Mrs. Rowland Jones, Mrs. Longstreth, Mrs. Arthur Bruce, Miss Alexander, Miss Sarah J. Lapp, Mr. J. I. Morrison, Mrs. Alexander H. Jones.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly meetings on Monday, November 12th.

The Guild is very grateful to the Vestry for attending to its request, so promptly, to have the door to the Organ Room changed from the side Altar.

We are very glad to welcome Miss Catherine L. Westling to membership in the Guild.

The dates on which the Altar committees will serve during the coming month are as follows:

Dec. 21-28: Misses Cooley, E. Manser, Mogridge, Gerhard, Wiser.

months did? If you get into the real life of the Men's Bible Class you certainly will do this. It's worth while men. Are you on? C. H. J.

Seven Queries

Here are seven queries submitted to certain members of the Parish. Let every one answer each query for himself.

1. Persons who attend Church when they "feel like it."

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, What kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

2. Persons who are habitually late to service.

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, What kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

3. Persons who come to the Holy Communion,—the Blessed Sacrament which our Lord commanded His followers: "Do this in memory of Me"—persons who come to this Holy Sacrament "once in a while."

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, what kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

4. Persons, when they do come to Church, come to find fault and criticize and make themselves about as disagreeable as it is possible for a human to be:

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, What kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

5. Persons who do not give systematically and conscientiously to the support of the Church and let others shoulder the responsibility, putting on the plate a miserly pittance once in a while.

Query: *"What kind of a Church would our Church be, If every member were just like me?"*

6. Persons who refuse to take any active part in the work of the Church, who are "pew warmers only" and are cold as ice when asked to "show their faith by their work."

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, What kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

7. Persons not interested enough in their religion or their Church even to invite others to come with them, who

never speak to or welcome strangers in the Church, whose religion is confined to self alone.

Query: *"If all Church members were just like me, What kind of a Church would our Church be?"*

Now let everybody join in the chorus: *"If all Church members were just like me,*

What kind of a Church would our Church be?"

What kind of a Church would our Church be?"

If all Church members were just like me."

Amen!

Hamlet's Soliloquy on Free Pews

A pledge card, with blanks filled out for amount of weekly offerings toward the support of the work of the Church, but with the following written on the back, was handed in a certain church:

"To pledge or not to pledge—that is the question.

Whether 'tis nobler in a man to take The Gospel free and let another foot the bill,

Or sign a pledge and pay toward the Church expenses!

To give, to pay,—ay, there's the rub—to pay,

When on the free pew plan a man may have

A sitting free, and take the Gospel, too, As though he paid and none be ought the wiser,

Save the Church Finance Committee, who—

Most honorable men—can keep a secret! "To err is human," and human, too, to buy

At cheapest rate. I'll take the Gospel so!

For others do the same—a common rule!

I'm wise! I'll wait, not work. I'll pray, not pay,

And let the other fellow foot the bills— And so with me the Gospel's free; you see?

If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.—*Longfellow.*

Red Cross

The Tulpehocken Auxiliary, No. 21, of the American Red Cross which meets every Tuesday evening and all day Wednesday in our Parish House, has been doing its "bit" for the care of the soldiers.

With an attendance of about 40 at the evening gathering and another 40 during the day on Wednesday, we have turned in during the month of October

480 Surgical dressings

120 Oakum pads

75 Muslin bandages

24 Towels

10 Surgical shirts

10 Pajama suits

A number of knitted garments have also been made and 31 Christmas packages were donated through the Auxiliary to the boys in France. In spite of these things we cannot feel that we are doing our "best" until we have secured the help of every woman in the Parish and neighborhood who is not already actively engaged elsewhere in this most necessary war work. We have the equipment for twice our present attendance and shall welcome recruits.

May we also specially plead for donations to our wool fund. Our boys are still in greater need of sweaters, and pathetic cases are presented to us at each of our meetings.

Jeannette L. Wurts, Chairman.

Good Work of the Parish Patriotic Committee

The good work being done through the generosity of the members of our congregation who have contributed money for the monthly entertainment given in our Parish House to the soldiers and sailors temporarily stationed in our city may be judged from the letter received from the young men by the Parish Patriotic Committee, expressing their appreciation and gratitude.

The following letter is a sample, written by the father of one of these young men, a thousand miles from home, who was one of the sixty-eight marines entertained at supper in our Parish House on October 25th.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 3rd, 1917
My Dear

I received your letter today and am glad to hear my son has met such friendly and noble hearted people. I also had a letter from him written Oct. 27th in which he tells us about the fine time he enjoyed at your supper and entertainment, and also of the invitation by two ladies for Sunday. I am sure my son fully appreciates your kindness and generosity. Edwin is the third oldest boys of five sons, all enlisted in the navy. The other two, in drafting age, did not get in on the first call but will surely be on the second, and if this terrible war is to keep up for a long time, as it probably will, the two youngest might have to go also. They are all I have but am proud to have that much to give to my adopted country and for the great cause our nation is fighting. None of them will ask for an excuse blank to fill out. From the bottom of my heart I thank you for all the kindness you have shown for my son and the rest of the soldiers. I also thank you for your kind offer of assistance. Edwin thinks he will leave Philadelphia in two weeks and then they do not know where they go. I am satisfied to know that they have met people who have willingly led them on the right way.

Mrs. — is not living, she died a year ago and was saved from the worry about the boys and the war.

Sincerely yours,

These suppers and entertainments will be continued to be given in our Parish House to these enlisted young men, far away from their homes, each month throughout the winter.

Contributions to help defray the expenses are solicited and may be sent to Miss Ella Chase, Chairman of the Committee, 45 East Washington Lane.

Rooms Wanted

A woman and daughter from the city wish to rent a suite of rooms at moderate price, for light housekeeping, in vicinity of Christ Church. Enquire of Rev. J. L. Ware, Christ Church Parish House.

The Fellowship of Prayer

Prayer is conscious fellowship with God—not merely communion with God, but co-operation with God. In the neglect of this truth lies the origin of most of our difficulties about prayer. Co-operation, not compulsion, is the secret of our true prayer. Often our first idea about prayer is that it means our strenuous effort to alter and change the direction of the Divine will. We see what we need. We would impress that need upon the mind of God, and the intensity of our prayer is in proportion to our determination to bend God's will. But prayer calls us not to compel God, but to co-operate with Him, calls us into fellowship of will with Him. The proper understanding then of the relation of the divine will to the will of man is the first condition of true and fruitful prayer.

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Thanks!

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Chaplain

Rev. Curtis H. Dickins, U. S. N.
November 1st, 1917

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
Rector,

Christ Episcopal Church,
Germantown, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:—

I beg to acknowledge receipt this morning of two large boxes of books and magazines for which I wish to extend to you the heartiest thanks of Chaplain Dickins.

Donations of this sort are always very welcome and they afford pleasure to thousands of men.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain,

Yours very sincerely,

Holstein D. Haven Fox,

Social Aide to

Chaplain Dickins, U. S. N.

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Prayer Written by Mr. Ebert Gladstone

Merciful Jesus, Who didst weep by the grave of Lazarus, and Who knowest all human sorrows, be present with Thy sorrowing servants now. Bind up the

wounds of their stricken hearts. Let the sunshine of Thy love break through the cloud of their affliction, and a heavenly hope bring light in their darkness. Thou hast loosened one link which bound them to earth; may it now bind them to heaven. Thou hast taken from them for a little while him whom they love. Oh, may it to be united again forever. Yet even now are they one in Thee. Death cannot sever from Thee. And we believe in the Communion of Saints. In Thee do we all live forevermore. Oh, beget in Thy servants a lively hope of the "inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away." Fit us by Thy grace for the mansions of our Father's house, where there can be partings no more. Bring us to our only true home. Take us to Thyself, to dwell forever with all Thy saints, and to reign with Thee, O Jesus, our Saviour and our King, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

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Theodore Roosevelt's Message

To the Soldiers and Sailors of the United States.

In reply to a request for a message that might be printed in the special copies of the New Testament designed for soldiers and sailors, Mr. Roosevelt sent the following:

"The teachings of the New Testament are foreshadowed in Micah's verse: 'What more doth the Lord require of thee than to do justice, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?'"

"DO JUSTICE and therefore fight valiantly against the armies of Germany and Turkey, for these nations in this crisis stand for the reign of Moloch and Beelzebub on this earth.

"LOVE MERCY; treat prisoners well; succor the wounded; treat every woman as if she was your sister; care for the little children, and be tender with the old and helpless.

"WALK HUMBLY; you will do so if you study the life and teachings of the Savior.

"May the God of Justice and Mercy have you in His keeping."

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8 00 to 9 00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
6 00 to 8 00 P. M.

Remember the Mission!

Begins Sunday, February 24th

LET EVERYBODY

PRAY FOR IT!

PREPARE FOR IT!

COME TO IT!

It is of the utmost importance that everybody shall do everything in his or her power to make the Mission to be held in Christ Church beginning Sunday, February 24th, and extending to Sunday, March 10th, a great SPIRITUAL SUCCESS. It will be a wonderful opportunity for the people of Christ Church and of this vicinity to hear the Word of God preached in a *plain, simple and convinc-*

ing way; to receive *clear, definite* and *positive* instruction on the Teachings of Christ and His Church; to have frequent privilege of drawing near to God through the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

LET EVERYBODY PRAY FOR THE COMING MISSION! LET EVERYBODY PREPARE FOR IT! LET EVERYBODY COME TO IT!

The Missioner.

The Mission will be conducted by the Rev. Harvey Officer, a member of the Order of the Holy Cross—a society for Priests and laymen whose objects are "the cultivation of the spiritual life of its members and the practice of good works, especially in the conducting of Missions, Conferences and Retreats." The Order has charge of St. Andrew's School for Mountain boys at Sewanee, Tenn., and Kent School for Boys at Kent, Conn.

Father Officer is a strong, forceful preacher, whose sermons are not, in the least, sensational, but deeply religious and spiritual. In the spirit of St. Paul, he preaches "Jesus Christ and Him crucified."

**The Success of the Mission.**

The success of the coming Mission in Christ Church will not be measured by the large attendance. There will be a large attendance, no doubt. Every one will want to hear Father Officer. Every one will want to sit under his clear and elucidating "instructions."

There will, no doubt, be very large congregations. Every one will want to come. But the success of the Mission will not consist in the big attendance.

It is not "bigness" of the crowds but the *intensity of the deep religious impression* which will mark the success of this Mission; the realization of *the nearness of God to every living soul; the power of the Cross of Jesus Christ* to raise men and women from death unto life; *the abiding Presence of the Holy Spirit* in His Church on earth;—these the *eternal verities* of life, will mark the Mission as a success. For these are what the souls of men and women yearn for, and these only are the things in life that will satisfy.

How Can This Success Be Obtained?

How can this *spiritual* success—the *only* success which the Mission seeks to accomplish—be obtained?

By Prayer! By Prayer!

"Pray for one another. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much!"

"Pray without ceasing!"

"I say unto you what things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them."

"Men ought always to pray and not to faint!"

Let every one Pray for the Mission!

Pray for the Missioner! Pray for yourself! Pray for your friends—parents for your children, children for your parents!

Pray for your Parish—your Rector, your Sunday School, its Officers, Teachers and Scholars!

Pray for the faithful members! Pray for the indifferent, the lukewarm, the wayward, the wicked, those who have stayed away from God's House and His Sacraments!

Pray for those especially in this vicinity, who never enter God's House and are starving their souls!

Pray for the sinful everywhere; the sick, the sorrowing, the dying!

Pray for our Nation, those in authority, for all in the Service of our Country, at home and abroad!

Pray for the wounded, and those who are passing away. Pray for our dear dead!

Pray for souls, everywhere—living and the dead!

"I exhort you," says St. Paul, "that first of all, supplication, prayer, intercessions and giving of themselves be made for all men. For kings and all that are in authority; For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, Who will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth."

I will, therefore, that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting."

Prayers of Preparation.**For the Mission.**

To be held in this Parish from Sunday, February 24th, to Sunday, March 10th.

THE REV. HARVEY OFFICER

Missioner

V—O Lord raise up, we pray Thee, Thy power and come among us!

R—And with great might succor us!

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Thou Great Shepherd of the sheep, Who seekest those who are gone astray, bindest up those that are broken and healest those that are sick, bless, we humbly beseech Thee, the labors of Thy servant, who comes to minister among us; and grant that by Thy grace we may be raised to newness of life and that we may persevere unto the end:

V—O Saviour of the world, Who by Thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us:

R—Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord. *Amen.*

For the Parish.

Almighty and Everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people; and grant unto this Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful; protect and guide the children; visit and relieve the sick; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the care-

less; recover the fallen; restore the penitent; remove all hindrances to the advancement of Thy truth, and bring all to be of one heart and one mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper Thou our handiwork; to the honor and glory of Thy Blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Septuagesima.**

Septuagesima Season—or the three weeks before Lent—commences on Septuagesima Sunday, February 20th. This season is intended to remind us of the near approach of Lent and to prepare our minds for that solemn, holy Fast.

We now turn from the Cradle at Bethlehem to the Wilderness, to Gethsement and the Cross.

The Lessons, the Epistles, the Gospels read each Sunday foreshadows the coming of our Lord's Fastings. His sufferings, and His Death; all to be ended and triumphed over in His glorious Resurrection.

From now on every Churchman will prepare to observe the coming Holy Season of Lent in more seriousness of life, in genuine fastings, in devout readings, in meditations, in more frequent prayer.

Septuagesima—seventy days before Easter! The Holy Feast draws near! Let every one begin now to prepare to make this coming Lent the most serious, the most heart-searching, the most spiritually helpful, the most spiritually triumphant of our lives! Septuagesima reminds us to prepare.

"When the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed and doeth that which is lawful and right he shall save his soul alive."

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR
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REV. J. L. WARE

All communications should be addressed to Rev. J. L. Ware, Christ Church Parish House.

The Chimes will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.

All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Editor at least twelve days before the date of publication.

Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroff, (1901) Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1901)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Howley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.10 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

A Personal Letter From Father
Officer.

Who is to hold the Mission in Christ Church.

To the people of Christ Church,
Germantown, Pa.

It is already known to you that your rector has asked me to preach a Mission in your parish, February 24 to March 10, inclusive. You will see at once that this work lays a burden of responsibility upon me. I am writing to you in the hope that I may count upon your cooperation in this work.

A mission is a manysided effort to bring the Living Word of God to the minds and hearts of men. All truth belongs to God, but often we think and live as if large parts of our thinking and acting life had no relation at all to the Father of our spirits. Again, the will of man is the central expression of himself, and yet often he delays a lifetime to make any real decision for God. The Mission is an opportunity for us to think afresh what our religion means, and to decide, and to help others to decide, what we should do in response to the love of God.

I ask of you now two things: first, that you will pray for the Mission, not so much by using any set form of words, as by really speaking to God about it day by day; and second, that you will let your friends know that this special work is being prepared for in your parish. In these ways we shall find ourselves drawn nearer to God and to each other, and ready to do what He asks of us when the days of the Mission arrive.

Faithfully yours,

HARVEY OFFICER, O. H. S.

The Bishop Will Be Here.

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, will visit this Parish (D. V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, March 28th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation.

The Bishop has kindly consented to hold on that same evening a Communicants' Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion.



Confirmation Instruction.

The Rector will begin a course of Instruction on Confirmation and the Use of the Prayer Book on Friday evening at eight o'clock, February 1st, and on Sunday afternoon, February 3rd, at four o'clock.

The Friday night Instructions are intended for adults, and those on Sunday afternoons for minors.

All persons, Confirmed or unconfirmed, are invited to either of these Instructions.



Persons Contemplating Confirmation.

Persons who are contemplating Confirmation are asked to give their names to the Rector as soon as possible. He will be glad to meet any who wish to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation, after service on Sunday or by appointment. He will be pleased to loan books from his library and to recommend a course of reading on the History and Teaching of the Church to any who may be interested.



The Lenten Services.

A schedule of the Services during Lent will be published in the next issue of the CHIMES. Ash Wednesday comes this year on February 13th.

Let every body begin now to look forward and to prepare for this Holy Season of Lent.

The Brotherhood.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is preparing to make a determined drive on the behalf of the coming Mission—for the Brotherhood this word is now written MISSION.—“I have placed before you an open door, and no man can shut it.” That is the MISSION, and to a man the Brotherhood is striving to show the open door of opportunity to all members of this parish who will listen. But the parish is large, and the men are too few, and we need help. First, when (not if) you pray for the success of the MISSION, pray too for the means that are being used to plow up the ground preparatory to the sowing of the seed. Then, and only then, come and help us. We need men who will give some of their time, and some of themselves. We need energy, and kindness and the spirit that is not afraid to break the routine of a well ordered life in a good cause, the spirit of men, who feel the obligation that is unescapable to a Christian in this age to bring some one else to share in the privileges which he has himself obtained by inheritance from the lives of the faithful Churchmen who have gone before.

We are working. Will you help?

L. W.

The Men's Bible Class.

Why is a men's Bible class, not just the Men's Bible Class of Christ Church, but any Bible class in any church at any time? This is the question that has occupied the minds of our own class for two weeks, definitely asked, and willingly and ably answered. The wealth and depth of the various answers cannot be even indicated in a brief summary like this, for the results embrace faith, worship, patriotism, and the Sunday School, but on one point all agree. The

Bible class exists to show forth Christ for men to follow, usually by two methods, finding God thru the Bible, and seeking Him thru helping others. There is the active and the passive side of its work, for not only do we sit quietly on Sunday listening to a lesson, but on Monday and Tuesday we are spreading the Gospel, by simple sociability and friendliness, and interest in the other man.

All men in this vicinity invited. You can help us if you will. We can help you. Why don't you come and see?



Mothers' Meeting.

On Tuesday, January 15, the members of the Mothers' Meeting were entertained at dinner. The weather was very inclement, so that greatly to our regret, a number of familiar faces were absent. In spite of the weather, however, we had fifteen guests.

On account of the high prices of living our dinner was more simple than usual, but what we lacked in luxuries we made up in good cheer.

One of the most delightful events of the afternoon was the presentation of two beautiful centerpieces to Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Arndt by the members of the meeting. The embroidering of the centerpieces was done by the mother of one of the members, which greatly enhanced their value.



The Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild held a regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 14th.

Arrangements were made to overcome anything that might have arisen to perplex the serving committees while the Church services are being held in the Parish House.

We are hoping to contribute whatever Altar linens we can spare, for the use of our Army Chaplains in their splendid work, both in the Training Camps here, and at the Front.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

Jan. 25-31: Misses Dean, Falkner, Westling, Gill.

Feb. 1-8: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

Feb. 8-15: Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

Feb. 15-22: Misses Cooley, Mogridge, E. Manser, Gerhard, Wismer.

G. F. D.



To Non-Givers.

Four years ago the “duplex envelopes system” of giving was introduced into the Parish. By this system each contributor is afforded an opportunity of giving weekly an offering toward parish work and toward the work of missions. The increase in the offering to missions has been most encouraging. Our people are awakening to the privilege of giving by a systematic, weekly offering. A large number of the people of Christ Church, however, have not as yet availed themselves of this envelope system of giving. The current expenses of the Parish amount, in round numbers, to \$7000.00 per annum. Our assessment for Missions, Convocation, Episcopal and Convention Funds amount to, in round numbers \$2200.00, making a total of \$9200.00 a year, fixed charges. If every member of the Parish would give 30 cents a week, or a little over four cents a day, the total, in addition to the amount received in pew rents, would be ample to meet all expenses and assessments of the Parish. Will not everyone, who has not as yet, subscribed a weekly offering through the envelope system

please do so at once and thus share in bearing the expenses of the Parish? We have not many “shirkers” in Christ Church. A large majority of the people are giving their share and some more than their share; but there are some—and, as a rule, they are the ones most exacting in their demands and the most ready to criticize others—who are evading their plain Christian duty and are letting others pay the expenses, while they do the “talking.” Let every one who attends the services of Christ Church begin now, to do his or her duty. The envelope system of giving affords every one such an opportunity. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger. “Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gathereth thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity.”

Searching the Scriptures

A divine injunction bids us search the Scriptures, and the search is one which is sure of reward. Partly because of the religious revival now gradually gaining momentum in our country, partly because of the desire to put the religion of the Bible on a sound basis of knowledge, the Bible is being read and studied today as never before, and the treasure therein, concealed for twenty-six hundreds of years, are now being revealed. Men are discovering that the Bible is alive and timeless, that the message of the Prophets of Israel is vital today. The Men's Bible Class is sharing in this divine revelation, and in the strength of its message is working out, each man for himself, a new religion—his own relation to God, and thru God to his fellow-men. Every man in Christ Church Parish ought to pay it a visit. Any group of men with the vision of the service they can render is sure to be worth

while, and the Men's Bible Class is no exception. Since the beginning it has never been content merely to mark time—and in its present spirit it never will.



Baptism.

"In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Dec. 16, Charlotte Rice Graham.

Jan. 13, Eric Wilkinson.



Wolp Matrimony.

"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder."

Nov. 10, Alvin Armstrong

Ethel Grace Pinkerton.

Dec. 17, Bernard Edward Moran

Marion Edger Hilliard.

Dec. 22, Thomas Edward Watts

Margaret Reah Lindsay.

Jan. 17, Samuel Thurston Furman

Marion Buck Flower.



Burials.

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Nov. 8, Mary Ann Davenport.

Nov. 20, Laura B. Parker.

Dec. 2, Anna Bibhard.

Dec. 6, Lydia W. Haylett.

Dec. 7, Matilda J. Potts.

Dec. 19, Anton Bieregel.

Dec. 29, Caroline Matilda Carryl.

Jan. 1, Caroline Elizabeth Keler.

Jan. 8, Alice Roberts Radmore.

Jan. 9, Christianna Seltner.

Jan. 10, Charles Wismer.

Jan. 11, Mary Louise Scudder.

Jan. 12, Sarah McGowan.

Contributors to the Chimes.

In addition to the names already published the following persons have sent subscriptions and contributions to the CHIMES.

Mr. Joseph Hannan

Mrs. William C. Stives, Jr.

Mrs. John McGill

Mr. Richard G. McIver

Mrs. J. E. Graeff

Miss King

Miss Kettle

Miss Taylor

Mrs. Rittenhouse Reaver

Miss Kimmerling

Miss Ida Booz

Mrs. Harry C. Thompson



There are two sources from which the revenue of the church is derived. First: Pew rents; second, the envelope system. All who desire to do so are invited to rent pews or sittings. Those who prefer to contribute through the Envelope system are invited to take a pledge card, to be found in the vestibule, and pledge the amount they desire to give weekly. Place the card on the plate on any Sunday and a package of envelopes will be forwarded to the subscriber. For further information, the Warden, Mr. William R. Pugh, may be seen after any service or may be addressed at 117 West Upsal street, Germantown.



Pledge cards for weekly contributions may be found in the vestibule of the Church or may be had on application to the Warden or the Rector. Sign the pledge card, place it on the alms plate at any service and a package of envelopes will be sent to you to use each week.

The pledge, being voluntary, may be withdrawn at any time by notifying the first Warden or the Rector.

When A Man's Alone.

By E. A. GUEST in the North American.
Strange thoughts come to the man alone;
'Tis then, if ever, he talks with God,
And views himself as a single clod
In the soil of life where the souls are
grown;

'Tis then he questions the why and
where;

The start and end of his years and days,
And what is blame and what is praise,
And what is ugly and what is fair.

When a man has drawn from the busy
throng,

To the sweet retreat of the silent hours,
Low voices whisper of higher powers.

He catches the strain of some far-off
song,

And the sham fades out and his eyes can
see,

Not the man he is in the day's hot strife,
And the greed and grind of a selfish life,
But the soul of the man he is to be.

He feels the throbbing of life divine,

And catches a glimpse of the greater
plan;

He questions the purposes and work of
man;

In the hours of silence his mind grows
fine;

He seeks to learn what is kept unknown;

He turns from self and its garb of clay
And dwells on the soul and the higher
way.

Strange thoughts come when a man's
alone.



Renters of Pews.

Whilst Christ Church is essentially a "free church," in that every one is cordially welcome, and the number of pews marked "vacant" is sufficient to accommodate all strangers and occasional attendants, the Vestry desire to encourage all persons who attend the services of the church to contribute in some systematic way toward the maintenance of the

church and its philanthropies. Besides the expenses of running the Parish, the church has many assessments made upon it for the support of hospitals, missions, works of charity, both within and without the Diocese, both at home and abroad. These opportunities for doing good should be shared in by the many, and not be borne by the few and therefore, to the end that every one may enjoy the privilege of doing his or her share in supporting and extending this work for Christ and His Kingdom on earth, that this Parish is endeavoring to do, the Vestry invite every one to become a regular and systematic contributor to the support of the Parish and its work.



"He is not far from any one of us." A thing may be so near to us that it is never seen. It is possible to be more familiar with the Black Forest, thousands of miles away from our home, than we are with the wood that runs wild at our very door; and it may be because God is not far from any one of us that He is so ignored. When the Lord speaks to us in an occasional earthquake our awe is awakened, and we turn to Him in trembling fear. But He speaks to us every day in the gentle voice that would "check each fault and calm each fear", and the Voice is so near and constant that we do not hear it. And again He would make known to us the nearness of His Presence in inward promptings of dissatisfaction, in movements of disquietude, in disturbing shadows which He throws upon the soul. Many a shadow falls upon our secret life, and we interpret it to mean that we are not well, or that we are overworked, or that we are in need of a change, when all the time it is "the shadow of the Almighty", and we do not recognize His Presence.—*Selected.*

If you are a member of the Church try to get in touch with what the Church is doing and your own interest will be increased. Keep out of touch and your interest will wane.



God is the home where our welcome is certain, and surpasses all our expectations. He is our rest where alone we can lie down without fear and sleep sweetly. He in His inaccessible splendor is the beautiful night wherein no man works, but where the weary laborer reposes from his toil in everlasting bliss.



Peace.

"May the Spirit of the Almighty Father so dwell in the minds of man that this war shall teach the nations the necessity for universal peace, and may the Peace of the Eternal so enter into the hearts of men that the Way may be prepared for the coming of the Prince of Peace and the cessation of all strife."

"Be A Good Boy. Good Bye."
(Dedicated to our boys who are away from home.)

How oft in my dreams I go back to the day

When I stood at our old wooden gate,
And started to school in full battle array,
Well armed with a primer and slate.
And as the latch fell I thought myself free,

And gloried, I fear, on the sly,
Till I heard a kind voice that whispered to me:

"Be a good boy: good-bye."

"Be a good boy: good-bye." It seems
They have followed me all these years;

They have given a form to my youthful dreams,

And scattered my foolish fears.
They have stayed my feet on many a brink,

Unseen by a blinded eye;
For just in time I would pause and think:

"Be a good boy: good-bye."

O brother of mine, in the battle of life,
Just starting, or nearing its close,
This motto aloft in the midst of the strife

Will conquer wherever it goes.
Mistakes you will make, for each of us errs,

But brother, just honestly try
To accomplish your best in whatever occurs,

"Be a good boy: good-bye."

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The Rector's Notes

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Laus Deo!

The first words that the Rector would record in this issue of the CHIMES are words of *praise and thanksgiving to God* for this wonderful blessing vouchsafed to the two weeks' Mission, which has just closed in this parish. It was truly wonderful! God's Holy Spirit was with us, with the Missioner in his marvelous words of truth and life, and with the great throngs of people who came to hear them. We believe that it was in answer to the earnest prayers of the faithful people in Christ Church who, for many months passed, have been asking God to direct us in His ways and to send His Holy Spirit to touch the hearts and stir up our wills to higher and holier purposes. We thank God for the faithful band of workers in this parish, who have been praying and laboring to prepare the way for the success of the Mission!

We thank God for the thousands of eager hearers who came to God's House and were stirred by the retelling, in strong and simple words, "the old, old story of Jesus and His love!"

We thank God for the children who faithfully attended the Children's

Daily Mission and were instructed in the way of Christ and His Church!

We thank God for the hundreds of resolutions placed upon the altar, pledging service anew to Him!

We thank God that many were moved by His Holy Spirit to kneel each day before the altar; and "we" most heartily thank Thee that Thou vouchsafed to feed us, who duly received those holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ!

For these, and all His mercies, God's Holy Name be praised!

And now, that God has so signally blessed us in this wonderful Mission, let each one earnestly pray the words of the Easter collect.

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee that, as by thy special grace preventing us *thou dost put into our minds good desires*, so by thy continual help we may *bring the same to good effect*; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

On behalf of the people of Christ Church, and on his own behalf, the Rector wishes to express to the Rev. Harvey Officer, O. H. C., the deep appreciation, which is felt by all who had the privilege of attending the Mission held in this parish, of his untiring and unselfish services, his illuminating and edifying instructions to the children of the parish, his wonderfully helpful and soul stirring sermons, and above all, the comfort and inspiration which, by God's grace, his words brought to our many hearts.

The good of this Mission can not be estimated. It reaches into eternity. God knows and He alone will bless and reward.



Holy Week.

The shadows deepen! Our Saviour is on His way to Calvary! The Cross appears!

During this Holy Week we turn our thoughts to the closing scenes in our Lord's earthly life. His triumphant entry on Palm Sunday into the City that He loves and follows Him each day as He slowly wends His way along the Via Galila up to the Mount of Calvary.

I am sure that every Christian heart in this parish will yearn to be close to Jesus during these last holy days.

The services have been so arranged for Holy Week that every one may attend at least one service each day.

The daily Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 (from Monday to Thursday inclusive) will afford our people an opportunity to begin each day in a service of dedication.

Cannot business people arrange to be present at this Service before going to their daily occupation?

It will mean so much to all!



' Sweet the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the cross I spend;
Life and health and peace possessing
Through the sinner's dying friend.
Here I kneel in wonder, viewing
Mercy poured in streams of blood;
Precious drops, for pardon suing,
Make and plead my peace with God."

Easter Communion.

Every one, of course,—every one, who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to do so, will, of course attend Divine Service on *Easter Day*! It would be worse than foolish even to suggest that any Christian will remain away from His Father's House on Easter Day. Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book which says, "Every Parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian soul, who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with Jesus on that great Day, joining in the triumphal song "Christ is Risen from the Dead and become the first fruits of them that slept!"

Every member of the Church will devote these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.



Easter.

"Christ is risen!" Such is the shout which encircles the earth, as this morning's sun wakes up the world! Today ten thousand temples are crowded; ten thousand voices sing, "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast!" The Font and Altar are decorated with flowers, emblems of the Resurrection, and of our faith in the promises—Isaiah xxxli, 19, and Hosea xiv, 5. These flowers, after the solemnities of the day, are sent to the sick, and others who have not been permitted, by Providence, to visit the temple. Surely, if ever it is right to use such demonstrations of joy as the disciples did of old, when they plucked down branches of the trees, and threw their robes in the way, it is on the festival, which Prophecy itself has proclaimed to us, in the words, "This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Year after year, as this glorious strain begins, we find ourselves wishing it may not be over too soon, and then, as it dies away, regretting that a year must pass ere we hear it again. Let us reflect that possibly we shall hear it, and sing it to the glory of the risen Redeemer, never again on earth.

Our Easter Offering.

Our Easter Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall chose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16:16.)

If this was the custom in Old Testament times how more abundantly and gladly should the Christian pour out his heart to God in thanksgiving on Easter Day.

Whilst I am very anxious that the full amount (\$1000) asked for by the Vestry shall be realized this Easter, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from all, *from every man, woman and child*, and that it shall be an expression of deep, true Christian devotion according as God hath blessed each one of us.



Election of Vestrymen.

An election for Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Church on Easter Monday, April 2nd.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons

to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the Southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate.



Charter of Incorporation—Article 6.

The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men, to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period.

The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestrymen.



Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild will be present at Church on Saturday, March 23rd, to split the palms and to decorate; and also on March 30th, when we will spend the day decorating for Easter.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

Mar. 22-29: Misses Dean, Falkner, Weatling, Gill.

Mar. 29-Apr. 5: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser.

Apr. 5-12: Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

Apr. 12-19: Misses Cooley, Mogridge, E. Manser, Gerhard, Wismer.

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodruff, (1901) Rector's Warden
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William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
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O. N. Middleton (1904)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for March.

3 Third Sunday in Lent.
10 Fourth Sunday in Lent.
17 Fifth Sunday in Lent.
24 Sixth Sunday in Lent, Palm Sunday.
25 Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
26 Tuesday before Easter.
27 Wednesday before Easter.
28 Maundy Thursday.
29 GOOD FRIDAY.
30 EASTER EVEN.
31 EASTER DAY.



A New Service Flag.

To admit additional names of members of our Parish enlisted in the service of our country, it has been necessary to procure a new service flag. A beautiful banner, mounted upright on a pole, has been presented to the parish by a member of the Men's Bible Class.

The banner stands in the chancel near the pulpit. It is a source of pride to see fifty-one stars on the flag, representing fifty-one members of Christ Church Parish who have gone forth in the service of their country. God bless every one of them!!



Honor Roll of Enlisted Men.

The Honor Roll of enlisted men from this parish has been revised and is hung in the Tulpehocken St. vestibule of the Church. The list includes 51 names—forty-nine men and two women, who are serving as nurses in France.

At the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and on Friday afternoon at five o'clock, special prayers are said on behalf of all enlisted in the service of our country and especially for the members from this congregation.

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

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Booklet for Holy Week.

A booklet, entitled "His Last Week" recounting the story of the Passion of our Lord in the words of the four Gospels, will be used in the Meditative Readings at the daily afternoon services in Holy Week. Persons attending these services are advised to provide themselves with copies of this little book and follow the reader, during the services, as the sacred events of each day are read.

Copies of this book will be found on the table at the West entrance of the Church. Please place the cost of the book—5 cents—in the box.



Services on Easter Day.

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Sermon, Holy Communion, 11.00.
Sunday School Easter Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.
Monday and Tuesday in Easter week, Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Services During Holy Week.**Holy Communion:**

Daily (Except Good Friday and Saturday) 7.30 A. M.
Also Wednesday, 9.30 A. M.

Meditative Readings (On the Sacred Events of Each Day) 4.45 P. M.

Evening Service,

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, "The Way to the Cross," 8.00 P. M.

Confirmation and Communicants'

Service (Conducted by the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania)
Maundy Thursday, 7.45 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Penitential Service, Pro-Anaphora and Address, 10.30 A. M.

Three Hours Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross, 12 M.-3 P. M.

(Conducted by the Rector)

EASTER EVEN.

Evening Prayer, Infant Baptism, 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY.

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, (Shortened Form)

Holy Communion, Sermon, 11 A. M.
Sunday School Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.

**Three Hour Service on Good Friday.**

The Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Robert B. Green, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Norwood, Pa. All who had the privilege of attending the Three-Hour Service conducted by Mr. Green in Christ Church three years ago, will recall how helpful these Meditations were.

It is requested that persons shall be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering at this service is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms plates will be found at the doors. An excerpt from a letter from the Bishop reads:

"I would remind you of the appropriateness of asking the offerings on Good Friday for the Mission among the Jewish people. Since by the action of the last Convention this work in Philadelphia was put on the Diocesan Budget, any money given to our own committee will apply on the Parish apportionment."

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**Confirmation.**

The Apostolic Rite of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church, Maundy Thursday evening, March 28th, at 7.45 o'clock.

It is not too late for persons to join the Confirmation Class.

The Rector will be glad to meet any who are thinking of Confirmation.

He may be seen after any service or by appointment.



It is earnestly hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church will allow himself to remain away from the Holy Communion on Easter Day, unless Providentially hindered, but will so *thoroughly prepare* himself during the remaining days of Lent that he may come worthily to meet his Risen Saviour, "reckoning himself to be dead in deed unto sin; but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

**Sunday School Easter Service.**

The Sunday School Easter Carol Service will be held in the Church on Easter Sunday evening. The school will march into the Church from the Parish House promptly at 7.30 o'clock. The parents and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to be present at this service.

What Is Confirmation?

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts viii, xix and Heb. vi) has ever been continued by the Church as 1st, the renewal of the Baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite practiced from the time of the Apostles and endorsed by the fathers of the church.

A. D. 180. Tertullian:—"After Baptism, then the Imposition of Hands."

A. D. 250. Cyprian:—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome:—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The Prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from this period. From this time on to the present there can not be any doubt concerning Confirmation or *The Laying on of Hands by the Bishop* being a Ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and therefore went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptist Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substituted unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, Sept. 25, 1742.

Congregational Testimony.—*The* confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."—Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony.—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years—shows clearly that the

Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a Mother over her baptized children."—Committee of Gen. Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. 'Such imposition, I highly approve, and wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition.'—John Calvin.

**New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers.**

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all who wish to subscribe through the Envelope System. Former Subscribers, who are now pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews; others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order, on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign names and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information please apply, after any service, to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, or by addressing the Warden at 328 South Third St.



"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day," says the Apostle. That is what we should all strive to attain—to be raised for at least one day in the week above the grinding toil of our daily work; above the debasing influence of frivolous amusements; above the jangling of business or controversy; raised into the high and holy atmosphere, breathed by pure and peaceful lives, bright and beautiful thoughts, elevating and invigorating worship.—Dean Stanley.

Bishop Rhinelander to Conduct a Communicants' Service on Maundy Thursday Evening.

I want to call the attention of all Communicants of the Church to the *Preparatory Service for Easter Communion*, which will be conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening.

The Confirmation Service will begin promptly at 7.45 with a sermon by the Bishop.

Immediately following Confirmation will be held the Communicants' Service. All who had the privilege of attending this service, as conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church in the past, know how very helpful and inspiring these meditations have been. The Bishop would like to have all communicants present.

I, therefore, affectionately ask that every Communicant of Christ Church attend this service on Maundy Thursday evening.

While this service is especially intended for Communicants, all persons, whether they are communicants of the Episcopal Church or not, are cordially invited.



Oh, press this thought to your innermost soul—that those whom you have “loved long since, and lost a while,” love you still, care for you still, with a warmth of affection which kindles into an intenser brilliance as they come nearer to the heart of the Eternal Father, the Source and Sun of Love. And in this love they wait for us.—Rev. F. B. Meyer.



Easter Memorial Flowers.

The flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials to the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the Chancel on Easter in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday noon.

Names of senders are requested to be attached. Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may

send the same either to the Rector or to Mrs. H. R. Barenmore, Cliveden Ave. and Jefferson St. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials will be placed on the altar.

Contributions are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.



Cantata. Palm Sunday Evening.

On Palm Sunday evening, March 24, the choir will sing J. H. Mauder's cantata, “Penitence, Pardon and Peace,” followed by “The Story of the Cross” by Varley Roberts.

The service will begin at 7.45 o'clock.



Easter Offering.

The offering presented by each worshipper at God's Altar on Easter Day should mean *real sacrifice*. “Ye shall not appear before the Lord empty: every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord, thy God which He hath given thee.”

It is the basest sacrifice to call ourselves Christians—“followers of Him who sacrificed all for us; who gave Himself for us—and then give to Him grudgingly. “Will I offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing?”

Easter is the feast of joy—of triumph over the carnal, selfish self; a rising to the unselfish, spiritual plane.

There can be no Christian life without giving! Where love is there is always unselfish giving, sacrifice! One may give without loving but one *cannot love without giving*! Therefore a “selfish Christian” is a contradiction in terms. A “selfish Christian” is a sham! “Whoso seeth his brother in need and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?”

It cannot! “God so loved the world that He gave,” A Christ—man is a loving man, hence a “giving man.”

On Easter Day we show forth our love to God by *giving*—“Here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, *ourselves*, our souls and bodies, to be a

Easter Music.

The Choir of Christ Church has prepared an unusually interesting program of music for Easter Day. All of the numbers have been carefully selected, keeping in mind the devotional as well as the joyful spirit of the Feast of Feasts. The list follows:

Processional—Hymn 114—

“Christ the Lord is Risen Again”

Christ Our Passover—Chapple

Introit—Hymn 115—

“The Day of Resurrection!

Earth Tell It Out Abroad.”

Te Deum in F—Smart

Office—Hymn 121—

“The strife is o’er, the Battle Done,
Alleluia!”

Communion Service in F—

Sir John Stainer

Anthem—

Torrence

“Who Shall Roll Away the Stone?”

Retrocessional Hymn 109—

“Welcome Happy Morning.”

The service in the evening will be the Church School Easter Carol Service at 7.30.



A Letter from the Accounting Warden.

To the Congregation:

The expenses of the Parish for salaries of Clergy, Choir and Sexton, fuel, lights, repairs, etc., are essential in order that each person may worship each Sunday.

If he or she decides not to come the services are had for such as do come.

It is plain therefore that each should contribute to the expenses an agreed weekly sum according as he or she is able to do.

The facts are that 252 persons, including a number of children, contribute for sittings and through envelopes \$5036.04 and the remaining ones, approximately 400 who attend our church contribute only \$483.83 by cash in the plate offerings, because they only contribute when they attend the service.

I am sure this is not because the latter decide others to support the church for their convenience but that they have been thoughtless in the matter.

Will not each man and woman and child in Christ Church therefore take

an envelope and consistently pay a weekly sum, however small and thus be one of those who contribute weekly to the services of the church.

These envelopes will be furnished next Easter Sunday and may be had on application to the Rector, the Accounting Warden or Mr. Richard H. Morris.

Very respectfully,

J. I. Morrison,

Accounting Warden.



Gospel of the Resurrection.

The earthly life of Jesus Christ had utterly failed to establish a faith that could survive His death. He had spoken, it is true, as never man had spoken before. He had gone about doing good. He had performed many mighty works, so the records tell us. The blind had been led to see, the deaf to hear, the lepers had been cleansed, the dead had been risen, and to the poor the Gospel had been preached. He had swayed the hearts of the common people so that they could not be shaken off. They had been willing—yea, clamored—to make Him their King. Then, too, those twelve intimate friends, who had been with him from the beginning, gave themselves entirely to Him. They had no other stay upon whom to lean. “Lord, to whom shall we go, for Thou hast the words of eternal life.”

Yet all this went for nothing under the crush of the cross. The crowd who had followed Him whithersoever He went had seen Him hanged on the tree, reviled as a malefactor, powerless to save Himself under the taunt: “If Thou be the Son of God come down from the cross and we will believe.”

The friends lay hidden in despair. They had trusted; they could trust no more. Every hope was blotted out, all was gone. They lay dumb, stunned, dead. Such was the end of our Lord's earthly career. So far as the effect of that life was concerned the upper chamber where the eleven crouched was the end. There was nothing more to come of it, nothing more to be said or done. They could but go home and die.

The impulse, therefore, which constitutes Christianity is not to be found

within the four points of our Lord's recorded life on earth. So far as that went, and if that were all, there would be no such thing as Christianity at all. Christianity dates itself from one event—and one event only—the Resurrection. There is no other origin for it. In that lies its creative force. It is the Gospel of the Resurrection. The cross and passion which had wiped out the meaning of the earthly career and had buried it in a darkness that could be felt, now became, through the illumination of the Resurrection, the seat and center of the glory in which all the light was focused.

We may preach Christ our Peace and our Joy only because His death has been taken up into the risen life and transmuted by its splendor, so that we may be changed from Glory to Glory in the face of Jesus Christ. The cross has power to save only as the cross of the Risen Lord.

The Resurrection, then, is Christianity. From it our religion dates itself. In it lies our whole germinal Gospel. It presented itself to the disciples as the one fact in which the universe arrived at self interpretation. It was no accidental and detached event that had come merely to relieve their sorrow, or to assure them of their Master's safe survival after death. In it the divided pieces of the puzzle of existence fell together—everything suddenly became coherent, intelligible, satisfying. Thus only in the light of the Resurrection did Calvary become a crucifix. Easter, and Easter alone, transformed the death of shame into the symbol of Divine love.

Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.—Selected.

✠ Confirmation and Communicants' Service.

The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, will confirm in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 9th, at eight o'clock.

His address will be especially to Communicants, perpearing them for the Easter Communion. *Every communicant member* of Christ Church Parish should be present at this service. It

will be a privilege, which no communicant can afford to miss, to receive preparation for the Holy Communion from so spiritually minded a man as Bishop Rhinelander.

It is hoped that every communicant will avail himself of this privilege. It is hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church Parish will be absent on Maundy Thursday evening.

✠ Lord Roseberry on the Resurrection

The great statesman and diplomat, Lord Salisbury, said in regard to the Resurrection:

To me the central point is the Resurrection of Christ, which I believe. Firstly, because it is testified by men who had every opportunity of seeing and knowing, and whose veracity was tested by the most tremendous trials, both of energy and endurance, during long lives. Second, because of the marvelous effect it had upon the world. As a moral phenomenon, the spread and mastery of Christianity is without a parallel. I can no more believe that colossal moral effects can be without a cause, than I can believe that the various motions of the magnet are without a cause, though I cannot wholly explain them. To any one who believes the Resurrection of Christ, the rest presents little difficulty. No one who has belief will doubt that those who were commissioned by Him to speak—Paul, Peter, Mark, John—carried a Divine message. St. Matthew falls into the same category. St. Luke has the warrant of the generation of Christians who saw and heard the others."

"The Church believes to-day in the Resurrection of Christ because she has always believed in it. If all the documents which tell the story of the first Easter Day should disappear, the Church would still sing her Easter praises, and offer her Easter sacrifice of thanksgiving; for she is older than the oldest of her documents, and from father to son all through the centuries she has passed on the message of the first Easter morning—"The Lord is risen indeed." The Church believes in the Resurrection because she is the product of the Resurrection."

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The Rector's Notes

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The Easter Communion

Four hundred and seventy-two persons received Holy Communion in Christ Church at the three Celebrations on Easter Day. This is an increase of forty-seven over the previous Easter and is a large percentage of the communicant list of the parish. Some persons were not privileged to come on account of sickness; a few were out of the city; but *where were the others?*

The answer to this question, no doubt, can be found in our Lord's parable, St. Mark 4:2-20.



Remember the Rector's Charity Fund.

Christ Church parishioners are asked to remember the object of the offering received on the first Sunday in the month. It is for the Rector's "Exigency Fund." This is the only fund the Rector has at his disposal for the poor and other cases of exigency.

Will not our people remember the object of this offering on the first Sunday of each month and if they are absent from that service send their offering, either to the Rector or to the Accounting Warden?

Church Slackers

There is not a person in this parish, man or woman, boy or girl, who should not or cannot assist in the support of the work of this parish by subscribing through the envelope system of giving. In these serious days when every loyal man, woman and child is realizing a *personal* and *individual responsibility* to their country, there must be no shirking, no evading of duty in defence of the country's cause. The momentous issues at stake and the serious temper of the time will brook no half-hearted loyalty. The issue is plain, positive and definite. *Slackers are enemies and should be so considered.*

If this be so in this serious business of warfare against an enemy ruthless to all that Americans hold dear, how profoundly true it is in this serious business in which the Church is engaged, this warfare against the evil influences which Satan is waging against the eternal interests and souls of men!

And in this warfare, also, the issue is equally plain, positive and definite. Our Lord has stated the issue: "He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who gathereth not with Me scattereth abroad!"

It is high time that the "Church slackers" in this vicinity and elsewhere, who are *supposed* to be Christians, who make claim up on the Church and are enrolled among its members, it is high time that these half-hearted "aliens" should declare themselves true and should shoulder like true men and women their individual and personal responsibilities to the Church!

About two-thirds of the members of this parish recognize their serious and solemn obligations and bear unselfishly and heroically their duty in the support of the parish, its missionary and the philanthropic work. *The others are slackers!* They let others pay their bills, shoulder their responsibilities and discharge their Christian obligations! And these "slackers" are not, for the most part, among the poorer members of the parish, who, as a class, are most responsive and generous, but they are to be found more generally among the ranks of the "well-to-do" and the rich in this world's goods; of whom our Lord said, "the cares (vanities) of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches have choked the word and they have become unfruitful."

And these are they who in this and in every parish, constitute, as a rule, the noisiest people, who are first in their criticisms, who exact the most, who tell the Rector how to do "things" and are free in expressing their "opinions" as to "how the Vestry ought to run the financial end of the Church."

Evidently our Lord had this same class to deal with in His day, and any who may be interested to learn our Lord's opinion of these people may find it in St. Luke, sixth chapter, 37th to 46th verses.

It will be recalled that our Lord has there something to say about "a mote and a beam."

The Rector speaks strongly because he feels strongly and has little respect and less, for "slackers in religion" as he has for "slackers" in patriotic service at this crisis of the world war.

As our country calls for self-sacrificing, loyal men and expects them to respond, so the parish, the Church, *God* is calling for loyal men and women, and

Christ's words in this crisis are clear, definite, decisive: "Whosoever, therefore, shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father in heaven; but whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven. Think not that I have come to send peace on earth; I came not to send peace (to such people) but a sword!"



Fifty Billions for War

Fifty billion dollars is the maximum sum which this country may have to spend in this war, according to some of the leaned men who have been addressing the Academy of Political and Social Science. These statements did not come from academic philosophers, but from financiers, legislators, and cool-headed business men. The sum seems large, but whatever it is, the money will be forthcoming.

When the late Henry M. Flagler proposed to extend his railway from Miami to Key West, over a few cays and the broad waters of the Atlantic, he sent out engineers to investigate the practicability of the scheme. After two years they returned, saying the work could be done, but would cost—. They got no further. Mr. Flagler absolutely refused to hear the estimated cost lest he should lose courage and not build the line. As all know, it is in operation today.

It is this same attitude which we must take toward the war. It is not a matter of cost, but of success. Even the figure named is by no means alarming. It amounts to about one-fifth of our national wealth, but it is certain that more than half of it will be paid out of current income. Already the Central Powers have expended, according to estimate, about thirty per cent. of their national wealth, and they have no way of increasing it, as they are shut off from the world.

The only thing to do is to prosecute this war to victory at any cost if we do not want to be mortgaged to Germany indefinitely. Already we have raised, or have been offered, \$9,000,000,000 including the Treasury certificates outstanding and there has been no great strain on our

resources. We will finish the job and pay the bill, and we will not only be the better for it, but will make the world better for it, but will make the world worth living in for our children and our grandchildren.



God Give Us Men

God give us men!
Men from every rank.
Fresh and free and frank.
Men of thought and reading.
Men of light and leading.
Men of royal breeding.
The nation's welfare speeding:
Men of faith and not of fiction.
Men of lofty aims in action:
God give us men—I say again.
Give us men!

Give us men!
Strong and stalwart ones:
Men whom highest hope inspires.
Men whom purest honor fires
Men who trample self beneath them
Men who make their country wreath
them
As her noblest sons,
Worthy of their sires.
Men who never shame their mothers.
Men who never fail their brothers.
True, however false are others.
Give us men—I say again.
Give us men!

Give us men.
Men who when the tempest gathers.
Grasp the standard of their fathers.
In the thickest of the fight.
Men who strive for home and altar.
(Let the coward cringe and falter.)
God defend the right!
True as truth though lorn and lonely;
Tender as the brave are only:
Men who trod where Saints have trod.
Give us men—I say again—again—
Give us such men!

—Bishop of Exeter.



Honor Roll of Enlisted Men.

The Honor Roll of enlisted men from this parish has been revised and is hung in the Tulpehocken St. vestibule of the Church. The list includes 51 names—forty-nine men and two women, who are serving as nurses in France.

At the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and on Friday afternoon at five o'clock, special prayers are said on behalf of all enlisted in the service of our country and especially for the members from this congregation.

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Confirmation Class

On Maundy Thursday evening, March 28th, the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, visited this parish and administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation to a class of twenty-one, ten males and eleven females.

After the Confirmation the Bishop conducted a most helpful "Communicants' Service" in preparation for the Easter Communion.

The following are the names of persons confirmed in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening.

Mary Aldrich
Eleanor Binns
Robert William Carmint
Eleanor Briant Coyne
Joseph Clarence Courtney
Ralph Lister Flower
Appolonia Louise Fuller
Sophia Gebhardt
Elizabeth German
Elizeth Ada Kulp
Henry Anthony Kennig
Robert Jones Lehman
Evalyn Lomas
Elinor Ismay Lomas
Jessie Irene Miller
May Irma Moynahan
Albert Cornelius Rayner
William Howard Riegner
Richard Gregory Sutcliffe
Hannah Elizabeth Taylor
Harry Battle Upton



Election of Vestrymen

On Easter Monday evening a parish meeting was held in the Parish House to elect four vestrymen and to discuss subjects of interest for the welfare of the Parish. While there was not as large an attendance of parishioners as was hoped for, the discussions and suggestions of those present were constructive and helpful to the welfare of the parish. It was clearly brought out on this evening that there should be a more general and more unselfish interest taken in the work and support of the parish. There is need of workers in every department of the parish and "slackers" in the work and support of the Church are as serious a menace to Religion as as "slack-

ers" in the present patriotic cause are to the country's service.

Only a comparatively few women of the parish are actively enlisted in the great missionary work of the church. There are many "slackers."

Only a comparatively few women of the parish co-operate in the training of the young people in our Sunday School. There are many "slackers."

When special appeals are made for workers in the various departments of the parish activities only a few respond. There are many "slackers."

In the financial support of the church less than one-half the members of the parish are regular and systematic givers. There are many "slackers."

All present at this meeting seemed to realize the imperative need of everyone in the parish doing his or her *share*. The Church is "our Church." It does not belong to the Rector nor to the vestrymen nor to a small number of the parishioners but to *all the people*. Hence all should share alike in the responsibilities and privileges and do, at least, their "bit."

It is hoped that another meeting of the members of the parish may be held in the fall, when a larger number will be present. The splendid spirit at this last meeting showed a deep interest, by those present, in the welfare of the parish and frequent meetings of this character will be productive of good to the parish and an extension of its usefulness. At the close of the meeting it was announced that the following were elected vestrymen to serve for three years: J. I. Morrison, Edward Bains, U. G. Rowley and Jonas Wesling.



At the meeting held on Tuesday evening, April 2nd, the Vestry organized by selecting the following officers: Accounting Warden, J. I. Morrison; Secretary, Francis B. Falkner; Delegates to the Diocesan Convention and Germantown Convocation, Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe, J. I. Morrison; Alternates to Germantown Convocation.

The Rector appointed James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden and appointed the following committees:

Choir Committee: Messrs. Rowley,

Woodroffe, Morris.

Property Committee: Messrs. Bains, Falkner, Middleton.

Finance Committee: Messrs. Woodroffe, Johnson, Bains.

Sunday School Committee: Messrs. Morgan, Middleton, Morris.

Committee on Lay Work: Messrs. Morris, Bains, Westling.

Every Member Canvas Committee: Messrs. Westling, Morrison, Falkner.

Missionary Committee: Messrs. Morgan, Rowley, Westling.



Report of Judges of Election

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Germantown, Phila., Pa.,

April 1st, 1918

We, the undersigned, duly appointed to act as Judges of an Election, held this day, for four Vestrymen of the Corporation known as "The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania," hereby certify that such an election was held this day, between the hours of eight and nine o'clock, P. M., according to notice duly given; that we attended thereat; that we received and counted all the votes at said Election duly offered, and that the following named persons were duly elected, each having received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

For 'Three Years' Term:

J. I. Morrison

U. G. Rowley

Edw. Bains

James Westling

Signed,

Ernest Blood

Arthur W. Hood

Frederick Lenning

Judges of Election.



District Committee of Episcopal Clergy for the Third Liberty Loan Campaign

The Government has asked the Clergy and the Churches to help in the Third Liberty Loan Campaign. A definite, concrete task is before us. We must do it eagerly, actively, promptly.

The plan is this:

1. The Clergyman in charge of each Church is asked to establish an honor roll—the roll to contain the names of all members of the congregation who have subscribed to the Third Liberty Loan. NAMES, not AMOUNTS are asked for.

2. Each Clergyman will appoint a committee to see that every member of the congregation is asked to put his or her name on the Honor Roll.

The Clergy of this district have met, have undertaken the task and through this letter signed by all of them, appeal to their people to come forward promptly.

Remember—you are asked to do this by your Government as Churchmen. It is the duty of all of us to insure the success of this Campaign. It is a privilege for the Church to share in the great work. Help your Honor Roll to grow.

If you have subscribed for bonds of the Third Liberty Loan, please sign and return this letter to your Rector.

Signature, -----

Copies of the above letter may be found in the vestibule of the church. The Rector requests that it be signed and given or mailed to him.

It is hoped that every subscriber to the Third Liberty Bond will do this at once as a report of the total number of subscribers from this parish must be forwarded as soon as possible.

In accordance with the request from the Episcopal Church Committee of the Third Liberty Loan, the Rector appointed Mrs. George W. Harkins, Jr., and Mrs. Joseph Moyer to organize for canvassing among the members of Christ Church. The following ladies volunteered their services:

Mrs. Ernest Blood

Miss Georgeanna Dean

Mrs. E. D. Dier

Miss Gertrude Feist

Mrs. Rowland Jones

Mrs. W. N. Johnson

Mrs. E. F. Kimberly, Jr.

Mrs. Sidney Lomas

Miss Charlotte Morris

Mrs. J. I. Morrison

Miss Morgan

Mrs. Harry Thompson

Miss Woodroffe

The subscriptions collected by the Committee from their friends and from members of Christ Church amounts to date, April 17th, to \$14,500.00. Any who have not, as yet, subscribed are asked to do so through this Committee.

Whether subscriptions are or are not made through the above Committee every one who has bought a bond is requested to sign the copy of the letter printed above, that Christ Church may report, at least, a majority of the members have come to the aid of their country by buying a Liberty Bond.

Get a copy of this letter on the tables in the vestibules of the church, sign and forward to the Rector *at once*.



Sunday School News

The "Boosters' Committee" was organized for the purpose of combining all the Departments, and have one big opening and closing exercise, and try and stir up a little "pep" in our school. The combining of all departments was done on schedule time, but the necessary pep and support were lacking. This was tried for two Sundays; and then the different departments separated and the committee was discharged with full pay.

We did not stop here long for at our last teachers' meeting, a new committee was appointed, "The Advisory Committee," consisting of Mr. Rowley, Miss Richards, Miss Gertrude Feist, Mr. Morris and Mr. Bains. We, therefore, see new light again and great things will be accomplished.

This committee needs the support of every scholar and teacher of our school, in order to be a success. We all wish this committee the best of success and good luck, and the accomplishment of great things.

C. J. C.



Daughters of the King

The Local Assembly of the Daughters of the King of the Diocese will be held in Christ Church on Thursday, May sixteenth. Members of the Parish are cordially invited to attend evening service at eight o'clock.

N. P. C.

Christ Church Club

During the absence of our leader, Mr. Gurley, the affairs and management of the club were transferred to Mr. Cotton.

I take this opportunity in stating that all memberships of 1917 have expired, and we look forward for the increase in the renewal of the memberships this season.

Letters will be sent out in the near future, and I hope that there will be an immediate and favorable reply. Senior Membership \$3.00, Junior Membership \$2.00.

It takes about \$35 or \$40 to put the grounds in first-class order, so any one wishing to become members of this club, and partake in any athletic games, chiefly tennis, please send all communications or initiation fees to Mr. Chas. J. Cotton, 58 W. Johnson St.



Red Cross

The evening class of the Red Cross still continues to meet Tuesday evenings at 7.30 o'clock. Judging by the slim attendance at these meetings of late we had about come to the conclusion that many of our members thought enough had been done to supply our men and Allies with all that would be needed, but we are thankful to say there are some faithful ones who fully realized the necessity of the great need, especially as the time was drawing near for more intense fighting. The condition of things today only goes to prove how necessary it was we should be prepared. We do not know how many thousand dressings made never reach their destination, which is only more reason that we should redouble our efforts. Our men are fighting battles for us "Over There"; we women must fight for them at home by making every sacrifice. We ask for only two hours' service one night a week. That seems very little time to give that we may bring relief and comfort to those who have gone gladly and willingly into that inferno to protect their country and save their women from a fate worse than death. This Parish should be proud it has an Auxiliary of the Red Cross and every member should consider it a Patriotic duty and a

privilege to come and do her share of the work, and try to interest others who are not working elsewhere to come to either the day or evening classes. A pride in our church and all it stands for should be another incentive to make this Auxiliary a success. The work done by those who have come regularly and worked conscientiously has received the highest praise for neatness and the amount turned in, we having doubled our quota in every drive, and we certainly appreciate their faithfulness. We wish we could arouse all members of the Red Cross in our Parish with a feeling of loyalty to their Auxiliary that they would be willing to give some time at least once a week to the work for our men, the relief of all suffering in this great cause and the establishing of a "Righteous and Lasting Peace."

Meetings in the Parish House, every Tuesday at eight o'clock; every Wednesday, 10.30 A. M. to 5 P. M.

E. W. C.

✠ **Report of Red Cross Auxiliary** ✠

Garments made since February 1st and sent to headquarters, Undershirts 20, Pajama Suits 32, Property Bags 50, Comfort Kits 5, Surgical Dressings 2269, Collected for Trench and Belgium Refugees 2 large bundles of clothing.

Members on Roll 160.

Average attendance, day 30, night 20.

Will not the other members come and do their share? There is need of more workers in both departments that No. 24 may not only do its bit but its best.

Mrs. Harry Camden Thompson.

Chairman.

✠ **Men's Bible Class**

"What are you doing?" This question was asked one day in reference to the Bible Class and that others with perhaps the same query in mind may know something of our work I am going to blow our horn.

First and foremost, superceding all other motives, the Class is trying to be a power for good in this community by bringing men closer to God. Any Bible Class which does not have that for its paramount object has not the right to be called a Bible Class.

Naturally there are many ways in which this may be accomplished—with study of the Bible leading, Personal work among the men by visitation, letters, tokens of sympathy and means of providing pleasurable moments now and then, these all tend to increase the interest and affection of those who are working and others whom they are trying to reach. This makes up the main work of the Class, from a religious standpoint.

There are other things the Class is doing, however, and one or two of them may be mentioned. Some months ago a member of the Vestry said in one of our meetings, that if instead of the various organizations interested in the Parish House each doing its bit in its own way toward making repairs and improvements, a fund could be created under the control of the Vestry for this purpose, money could be saved and better results obtained. The Class volunteered to start this fund and support it by contributing each month ten per cent. of the collections and to add, from time to time, such other amounts as should be available.

In answer to the Accounting Warden's appeal for the Easter deficit \$25.00 has been appropriated for this purpose and plans are under consideration for placing an electric light over the upper door of the McCallum Street vestibule of the Church.

Some good results have been attained in a personal way and which are not often mentioned. We have an Employment Committee and a Relief Committee and often occasions arise whereby the committees are able to give assistance in time of need and during the past year five men and one woman have been provided with situations.

The American flag in the Church is a gift of the Class as was the Service flag presented last December. It became necessary to procure a larger Service flag and the present one was donated by a member of the Class.

Thus the Class has been of some use to the Parish in spite of its many shortcomings and every man who interests himself in the work and then gets some other man interested, finds plenty of opportunity for doing good both to himself and to others.

C. H. J.

Bibles for Enlisted Men

The Scripture Gift Mission of Philadelphia is presenting Bibles to American soldiers and sailors. In a foreword of these Bibles President Wilson has written the following, urging the troops to diligently read the Scriptures. He says:

"The Bible is the word of life. I beg that you will read it and find this out for yourselves—read, not little snatches here and there, but long passages that will really be the road to the heart of it. You will find it full of real men and women not only, but also of things you have wondered about and been troubled about all your life, as men have been always; and the more you read the more it will become plain to you what things are worth while and what are not; what things make men happy—loyalty, right dealings, speaking the truth, readiness to give everything for what they think their duty, and, most of all, the wish that they may have the real approval of the Christ, who gave everything for them—and the things that are guaranteed to make men unhappy—selfishness, cowardice, greed, and everything that is low and mean. When you have read the Bible you will know that it is the Word of God, because you will have found it the key to your own happiness and your own duty. (Signed)

WOODROW WILSON."



The following prayers are suggested to be used in these trying times of war:

O Almighty God, the supreme Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to those who truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies. *Abate their pride, assuage their malice, confound their devices* that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who are the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Thou who alone dost rule in the kingdoms of men and determine the events of war, guard and guide us now, we beseech Thee. Be merciful unto our

sins; save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Grant unto our rulers the spirit of wisdom, that they may direct and use the power committed to their hands for the honor of our country, the deliverance of the oppressed, the good of all mankind, and the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Sunday Reading

A clergyman who was supplying a pulpit, not his own, was entertained in the home of one of the prominent members of the church. The conditions of the home life impressed him deeply; and although he was careful not to disclose anything that could identify the family, he referred to the Sunday spent in their home as among the dreariest and least profitable in his whole experience.

The family, struggling down to breakfast Sunday morning, brought with them the gossip acquired at various places on Saturday night. Two of them had been to the theatre, one had been to a party, most of them had been out late. More than one of the household began the day with a headache.

On the breakfast table there were three Sunday newspapers. On these the different members of the family pounced, and were soon hidden behind them.

Only the father and the mother went to church; the young people were "too tired," and did not care to dress.

After the morning service, the clergyman found the newspapers well shaken out and scattered. There was hardly a chair that did not contain one or more parts of one or another of them.

After the Sunday dinner, the papers were seized again, and creased and re-creased in the weary quest for new sensations.

The home had a good library, but no member of the family opened a book that day. The library had the works of Whittier, Lowell, Longfellow, and Holmes, as well as those of Shakespeare and Tennyson, but no other member of the family read one of them much less any distinctly religious book.

The hymnal on the piano lay under a

trashy song that came with one of the newspapers. The family Bible on the centre table was buried deep beneath the so-called "comic supplements."

The whole atmosphere of the home all day was commonplace, worldly, and depressing. There was nothing that lifted the thoughts of the members of the family above the wearisome round of the world and the things of the world. Business, politics, scandals, and bargains were the themes of conversation. The three secular newspapers, each with its sixty-odd pages, covered not *only the seats, tables* and carpets, they covered the spiritual life of the family as well. Without a question the morality of such a Sunday, what may we not say of the pity of it? Is the soul of man so mean, so sordid, that not one day in the week can be saved for an acquaintance with the better things of literature and of life, and for the higher ministrations of the Spirit?



Henry Drummond, speaking of the value of a little time spent alone with God, said: "Five minutes spent in the companionship of Christ every morning—aye, two minutes, if it is face to face and heart to heart—will change the whole day, will make every thought and feeling different, will enable you to do things for His sake that you would not have done for your own sake or for any one's sake."



An Effectual Hint

An earnest Church woman hit upon an excellent plan of dealing with Sunday evening callers. There is no excuse in that home of being "kept from church by company."

Her plan is this:—At six o'clock or earlier she puts her hat nearby, to be put on at the ringing of the door bell. Thus the callers remark, "Oh! you're going somewhere!" Easily and effectively the reply comes forth—"Yes, I'm going to church before long, and I thought I'd get ready early."

The plan works splendidly. The hint is taken. We recommend the plan to our parishioners. Be sure, however, to tell your intended guests that as they have honored you with a call, you will

expect them to go to church with you.



Holy Places

Not religion only, but human nature itself demands the setting apart of sacred places, and of places appointed for special uses and services. Reverence of manner, devotion of heart and voice, sacredness of place, God commands and man demands, if the best within us is to be fed and nourished, and the noblest part of us is to survive and grow. The gifts and graces ministered by churches, erected, consecrated, used, subserve the glory of God and the good of men. They help man to discharge duty, for man's moral task in this world is summed up not in "the survival of the fittest," but in the effort to fit as many as possible to survive. And if gifts and graces center themselves in the church building as a storehouse, ready to be contributed and distributed as helps and blessings to brother men, we that are within may well join in the glad and grateful cry, "Master, it is good for us to be here."



Nationalism Versus Christianity

The real source of the war is the proposition that we owe boundless devotion to our own country, and nothing whatever to any other country but our own. Nationalism, in a degree, is a very desirable thing, but it differs from any other form of *esprit du corps* in that it implies or permits a suspension of the moral law. We must get people to feel that there is something higher than the loyalty to their own country—there is an obligation to the interests of all mankind. This doctrine is one of the most elementary tenets of Christianity. The doctrine of the brotherhood of man is taught by every religious denomination in the world. I should like to see a very resolute effort made by the ministers of all denominations of Christianity to enforce the doctrine not only that war is inconsistent with Christianity, but that nationalism is inconsistent with Christianity. We want to get behind the idea that the higher loyalty is to our own country, to the idea that all men are brethren, and that we owe to them a duty of inexhaustible, immeasurable love.—Lord Hugh Cecil, M. P.

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CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

ASSISTANT

REV. J. L. WARE

PARISH VISITOR

MISS JEANETTE L. WURTS

The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

The Church Open All Day.

The church is open during the day for meditation and prayer. At noon the bell is rung and all are asked to unite in prayer for our country, for our enlisted men and for the peace of the world. Persons who cannot come to the church are asked to pause for a moment at noon and offer a silent prayer, wherever they may be, on the street, in office, shop or home.

May the Spirit of the Almighty Father so dwell in the minds of men that this war shall teach the nation the necessity for universal peace; and may the Peace of God so enter into the hearts of men that they may be prepared for the cessation of all strife, and the coming of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord; Amen!



Pastoral Message of the House of Bishops.

(Adopted at special meeting held in New York City, April 10-11th, 1918.)
Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

The House of Bishops, meeting in the City of New York while the great battle which may determine the course of Christian civilization is in progress, declares the unwavering loyalty of the Church, and urges all the clergy and laity to continue to render their entire

and zealous obedience to the requests of the Government.

In this war which has been forced upon us, and in which we are contending for the defense of our liberties and faith, the support of those in authority is distinctly a religious duty. We are all called to fulfil that duty to the full extent of our power, and in so doing to manifest the highest sense of consecration, whether in the army or navy, or in some of the manifold forms of work for the support and comfort of those who are in active service.

The struggle is against the foes of righteousness and truth, of liberty and mercy, in the only way open to us, and we must neither falter nor lose patience. With high courage and faith the Church must set itself to the service of the country and of the world, bringing to the support of our cause the moral and spiritual resources of our people. The present conflict in the world makes a moral issue, and moral strength will determine it.

To our soldiers and sailors, and to all who are engaged in the dangerous and difficult tasks in the nation's service, we send the assurance of our remembrance, and of our unceasing intercession for their safety in body and soul. We make an earnest plea with all our people to set their faces against those who, for gain,

take advantage of the necessities of the Government and of the nation's need of food. The common good, and the support of those in authority upon whose action under God all depends, must be the great consideration with all right-minded men and women.

Wherefore, acknowledging the supreme sovereignty of Almighty God, praying that His will be done and recognizing the moral and spiritual issues which are involved in this conflict, we bid our clergy and laity everywhere to pray without ceasing for the success of our armies and those of our Allies; and we further exhort our people to dedicate their substance and consecrate all their powers of body, mind and soul to the accomplishment of that for which they pray, to the end that liberty and a righteous and enduring peace may speedily be established throughout the world, to the glory of God, and for the wellbeing of all mankind, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



War-Time Prayers.

O God, our refuge and Strength, who art long-suffering and of great mercy, and by no means clearing the guilty; Hide not thy face from our land in the fiery trial of war; Grant us true repentance of our sins; and take away the offences of our people, that with clean hands and a pure heart we may go forward in thy name. From the idolatry of Mammon; from levity and dissolute living; from the strife of classes, from injustice and contempt of law; from vain glory and confidence in our own might, and from forgetfulness of thee, Good Lord, deliver us. Save us, we beseech thee, from treason and from panic fears; and make us of one mind in steadfast fealty and cheerful sacrifice. Those in authority over us endue with courage and wisdom and thy holy fear. Strengthen and defend our protectors by sea and land; and suffer no dishonor or crime to stain our arms. Safeguard and multiply the ministries of mercy; succor the wounded, comfort the dying; restrain the spread of cruelty and hate. Make a speedy end of tyrannies in the earth, and deliver the desolate and op-

pressed of all nations; hasten the advent of righteous peace, and with great might establish thy kingdom, through him who died to redeem mankind, thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Almighty God, who hast made us citizens of this land, enable us to do our country service. Make us calm, unselfish and ready to give according to our means. Give us grace to bear the burdens of others, those known to us, and those unknown. Keep us from being at any time cast down by fear, and enable us to cheer and comfort those about us. Show us at all times what our duty is, and strengthen us to do it, and grant that we may with a ready will learn the lessons which thou art teaching us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



O Lord, Jesus Christ, who by thy death didst take away the sting of death, grant rest, we beseech thee, in the place of light and refreshment, to those who have died in battle, or through sickness, in this war; receive their souls into thy holy keeping, where pain and sorrow and sighing are done away, and grant unto them a merciful judgment at the last day; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.



Special Memorial Day Services in Christ Church.

On Memorial Day, Thursday morning, May 30th, a special service of "humiliation, prayer and intercession" will be held in Christ Church at *nine thirty* o'clock.

This service is in response, not only to the Proclamation of the President of the United States that this day should be so observed, but in response of every Christian heart which yearns for God in these awful times of the world's Gethsemane and turns to Him, as the only source of guidance, strength and comfort.

This war will be won by prayer! God will give the victory to the people who, in His judgment, are most worthy to receive it and can best be trusted with it and its great responsibilities. God grant

that the American people may be so fitted in heart and mind. God grant that He many "forgive our sins and shortcomings as a people and purify our hearts to see and love the truth, to accept and defend all things just and right, and to purpose only those righteous acts and judgements which are in conformity with His will."

At this Memorial Day Service the names of those who have gone forth from our parish will be read from the chancel.

Prayer will be offered for our soldiers and sailors; for all doctors and nurses, for the Red Cross Society; for all chaplains and religious workers; for the President of these United States and all in authority and in positions of counsel or command; for the multitude who serve the nation by their industry; for the ministry of God's grace to all shattered homes and broken hearts whether in friendly or in hostile lands; for the sick and the dying; and the dead; for the allied nations; for the people against whom we contend that they may come to seek the true greatness of nations in righteousness and good will; for the unity of our nation; for a swift victory for justice, for the establishment of righteousness and an enduring peace among all the peoples of the earth.

Let there be a great outpouring of our people on this Memorial Day; on this day, freighted with the sacred memories of those who in former years gave their lives for our beloved country.

Upon this occasion we shall honor and remember not only the heroes of the past but also those who at this hour are fighting even greater battles in our behalf—battles in which, with God's blessings, we shall win for men and nations the world around the unchallenged exercise of those rights of justice and liberty for which our fathers fought and died won for us.

The President's Message.

"A Proclamation.

"Whereas, the Congress of the United States, on the second day of April last, passed the following resolution:

"Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring) that, it being a duty peculiarly incumbent in a

time of war humbly and devoutly to acknowledge our dependence on Almighty God and to implore His aid and protection, the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, respectfully requested to recommend a day of public humiliation, prayer, and fasting, to be observed by the people of the United States with religious solemnity and the offering of fervent supplications to Almighty God for the safety and welfare of our cause, His blessings on our arms, and a speedy restoration of an honorable and lasting peace to the nations of the earth';

"And whereas, it has always been the reverent habit of the people of the United States to turn in humble appeal to Almighty God for His guidance in the affairs of their common life;

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the thirtieth day of May, a day already freighted with sacred and stimulating memories, a DAY OF PUBLIC HUMILIATION, PRAYER AND FASTING, and do exhort my fellow citizens of all faiths and creeds to assemble on that day in their places of worship, and there, as well as in their homes, to pray Almighty God that He may forgive our sins and shortcomings as a people and purify our hearts to see and love the truth, to accept and defend all things just and right, and to purpose only those righteous acts and judgments which are in conformity with His will; beseeching Him that He will give victory to our armies as they fight for freedom, wisdom to those who take counsel on our behalf in these days of dark struggle and perplexity, and steadfastness to our people to make sacrifice to the utmost support of what is just and true, bringing us at last the peace in which men's hearts can be at rest because it is founded upon mercy, justice and good will."

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroff, (1901) Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void

Kalendar for June.

June 2—First Sunday after Trinity.
 June 9—Second Sunday after Trinity.
 June 11—St. Barnabas.
 June 16—Third Sunday after Trinity.
 June 23—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
 June 24—Nativity St. John Baptist.
 June 29—St. Peter.

**Holy Baptisms.**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

March 10 Lewis Frederick Siefken, Jr.
 March 10 Edith Emily Moore.
 March 21 Jean Barrimore.
 March 22 David Halleck Day.
 March 24 Jessie Irene Miller.
 March 24 Eleanor Burton Binns.
 April 28 Henry Arthur Bostock, Jr.

Burials.

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

March 6 Charles Keely.
 March 7 Agnes C. Pursell.
 March 14 Charles Ramond Sieber.
 March 23 William Trainer.
 March 28 William Hollingsworth.
 April 10 William Albert Wood.
 April 24 Rebecca Hodge.
 April 30 Jacob Schimpf.
 May 16 Annetta Johnstone.

**Girl Scouts at Christ Church.**

Nearly every magazine and newspaper these days has some note or picture of the work of the Girl Scouts. For the last few years there has been much interest in woman's work and along with it has come the "Girl Scouts." This is a wonderful organization, and all girls over ten years of age will be interested to know that we have recently organized a Girl Scout Troop in our Parish. The Troop is well organized and has an enthusiastic group of girls, learning to tie knots and pass the first test to become "tenderfoot scouts." We meet every Wednesday evening in the Parish House at 7.30 o'clock and will welcome all girls in the neighborhood. Come to a meeting—let us tell you of our plans for hikes and good times for this summer and fall. Mrs. Savell, director of

the Girl Scouts, who gave us an interesting and helpful talk on scout laws, etc., is starting a troop at the West Side Presbyterian Church. We are running a race with her for the best troop. We can assure you of good times, besides learning and accomplishing things of value now and also for the years to come. Will you help us or allow your daughter to help us win the race?

E. S. C.

**Daughters of the King.**

The Diocesan meeting of the Daughters of the King was held in Christ Church on Thursday afternoon and evening, May 16th. Supper was served in the Parish House, after the business session, at six-thirty o'clock, and a Service was held in the Church in the evening, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. Royden F. Yerkes, Professor at the Philadelphia Divinity School.

**Honor Roll of Enlisted Men.**

The Honor Roll of enlisted men from this parish is hung in the Tulpehocken St. vestibule of the Church. The list includes 53 names—fifty-one men and two women, who are serving as nurses in France.

At the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and on Friday afternoon at five o'clock, special prayers are said on behalf of all enlisted in the service of our country and especially for the members from this congregation. At noon, every day, the church bell is rung and prayers and intercession are made for our country, for our enlisted men and for the peace of the world.

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

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Parish House Robbed.

Burglars gained entrance into the Parish House on Monday night, May 13. They broke open the doors of all the closets and desks, doing considerable damage, but getting nothing of value. The Parish Houses of several churches in this vicinity have been entered and robbed within the past month, presumably by the same bandits. No clue, as yet, has been found.



Robbing Parish Houses and Churches is a pretty mean and contemptible piece of business. And yet there are thousands of "Christians" who are daily robbing God! Robbing God, by dodging their Christian responsibilities. It is the prophet Malachi who says: "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me, saith the Lord. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings!"

To Non-Givers.

Four years ago the "duplex envelopes system" of giving was introduced into the Parish. By this system each contributor is afforded an opportunity of giving weekly an offering toward parish work and toward the work of missions. The increase in the offering to missions has been most encouraging. Our people are awakening to the privilege of giving by a systematic, weekly offering. A large number of the people of Christ Church, however, have not as yet availed themselves of this envelope system of giving. The current expenses of the Parish amount, in round numbers, to \$7,500.00 per annum. Our assessment for Missions, Convocation, Episcopal and Convention Funds amount to, in round numbers, \$2,500.00, making a total of \$10,000.00 a year, fixed charges. If every member of the Parish would give at least, 30 cents a week, or a little over four cents aday, the total, in addition to the amount received in pew rents, would be ample to meet all expenses and assessments of the Parish. But some cannot give that much; therefore others must give more than this amount weekly. Will not everyone, who has not as yet, subscribed a weekly offering through the envelope system, please do so at once and thus share in bearing the expenses of the Parish? We have not many "shirkers" in Christ Church. A large majority of the people are giving their share; but there are some—they are not the poor people of the parish—who are evading their plain Christian duty and are letting others pay the expenses, while they do the "talking." Let every one who attends the services of Christ Church begin now, to do his or her duty. The envelope system of giving affords *every one* such an opportunity. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger. "Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gathereth thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity."

Lamps at the Church Entrance.

Ornamental lamps, which will be lighted by electricity, will be erected this month at the south entrance of the Church. These lamps will be memorials to Maria Hurst, a former member of the Mothers' Meeting, who left a sum of money for this purpose.

The lamps will be installed at no expense to the church, the work being done through the generosity of Mr. Frederick Lennig, of the firm of Lennig Brothers, Electrical Contractors, Philadelphia.

The Men's Bible Class have also generously donated a hanging lamp, to be placed over the north door of the McCallum St. entrance.



Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild held a regular monthly meeting on May 13th, and at that time adjourned until Fall.

The serving committees will be on duty as follows: May 24-31: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Quay, N. Manser; June 1-7: Misses Chase, Woodroffe, Alexander; June 7-14: Misses Cooley, E. Manser, Mogridge, Gerhard, Wismer; June 14-21: Misses Dean, Falkner, Westling.

G. F. D.



Writing Paper for the Boys at Camp Dix.

The Rector recently made a visit to Camp Dix, Wrightown, N. J., and was greatly interested in the moral and religious work that is being done at that camp, where there are from fifty to fifty-five thousand men.

From Chaplain Black, who has charge of our Church work at Camp Dix, the Rector learned that it was difficult to keep the boys in writing paper and envelopes. Many thousand sheets are used every week and the supply is soon exhausted. As this great Church work for our boys is supported wholly by voluntary contributions, the Rector announced from the chancel of Christ Church that any who desired to contribute to this patriotic cause might signify their willingness by notifying him. A most generous response has come and four-

teen thousand sheets of paper and envelopes have been printed and sent to the Chaplain. This supply, however, is sufficient for only a few weeks. It is hoped that several thousand more sheets and envelopes may be furnished. If any in the congregation would like to give a donation for this cause the Rector will be pleased to receive it.



Rev. Mr. Ware's Engagement Ends.

It is with great regret to the Rector and many members in the congregation, that the Rev. Mr. Ware, who has been assisting the Rector during the past winter, will terminate his engagement at Christ Church this month.

Mr. Ware is a deacon from the diocese of Central Pennsylvania, and his Bishop has an important work for him to do in that diocese. During Mr. Ware's term of service in Christ Church, he has been most faithful in the discharge of every duty and has won for himself many friends in the Parish, who will always be deeply interested in his future welfare, and whose prayers will be that God abundantly bless him in the work of his ministry.

Mr. Ware has showed that he is a man of wise discrimination and judgment; for, since coming to this parish, he has selected for his future wife, one of the most charming young ladies of this Parish. Mr. Ware will preach his last sermon on Sunday morning, June 2.



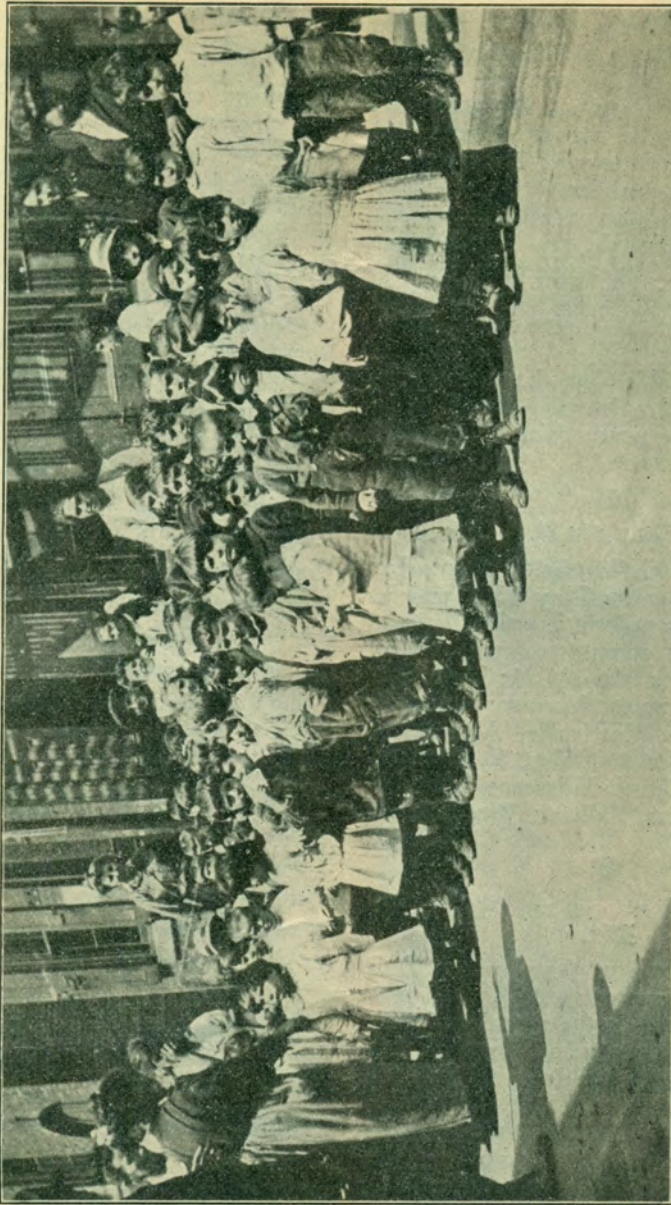
Services on the Cathedral Site.

The second series of Sunday afternoon services on the Parkway, on the property allotted for the purposes of the Cathedral, will begin on Trinity Sunday, May 26th, 1918, at five o'clock, P. M.

The preacher that day will be the Bishop of the Diocese, and the regular choir will be augmented by other choirs.

Members of Christ Church, Germantown, are cordially invited to be present.

Philip M. Rhinelander.



This is a picture of some of the children sent by Christ Church from the slums of the city into the country last summer.



Poor Children's Outing Fund.

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on the third Sunday morning in June. This is one of the most worthy charities to which the people of Christ Church are privileged to give. For about \$2.50 one poor child

can be taken from the street or alley into the country for a week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and receive good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom, for several years past, to secure from various organizations for the poor, the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the con-

gested portions of the city—in small dirty courts and narrow streets and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called “homes” the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements are made for a week’s outing in the country, and in some cases for a longer time. Occasionally a poor, over-worked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are asked to give and what a wonderful privilege it affords to persons, who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for a rest and recuperation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in crowded courts and narrow streets and alleys.

The following letter has just been received from Comly B. Shoemaker, Esq., President of the Bedford Street Mission, which does splendid work for the poor in one of the most miserable parts of the city.

Bedford Street Mission,

619 Kater Street, Phila.,

May 17, 1918

Rev. Charles H. Arndt,

59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Dear Mr. Arndt:

Referring to the very kind attention and aid we have received in the past from the Christ Church and yourself, combined with the visits you paid to the poor and needy of our district, under the guidance, as to location, of our Miss Mary E. Boyd, who was with us as missionary and visitor for nearly twenty-five years, beg to say it is my painful duty to advise you of the fact that Miss Boyd departed this life on the 21st of November, last. It is unnecessary for me to attempt to tell you how greatly we have missed her. A more faithful, kind-hearted and generous character it would be impossible to find. But I am thankful to say we have secured the services of a lady to fill the position made vacant by the death of Miss Boyd. I think we have been highly favored. She is now visiting families of children who are applying to go to our Summer Home near Clemonton, New Jersey, about the 1st of July. She keeps a memorandum of all

applying, and those who have not been down before are promptly visited.

The children at our Home are under the care of teachers who have known many of them from the time they were little tots attending our Kindergarten Schools and later on members of our Sunday Schools.

It has often happened that the newcomers state they have never been in the country, so that it is all new to them, and the delightful walks they take through the woods and around are greatly enjoyed. I have had them come to me immediately upon getting home early in September, to know if we would put their names down for the following season.

As we are rapidly approaching our day for opening, I venture to draw your attention to the work, hoping to interest you, and have you meet our present missionary, Miss Jennie L. MacLeod.

Thanking you very sincerely for the interest taken in us in the past and trusting you will continue to look into our work as time presents, I beg to remain,

Very Respectfully Your Friend,

Comly B. Shoemaker,

President Bedford St. Mission.



The Mothers' Meeting.

It was a matter of great regret that it was necessary to close the sessions of the Mothers' Meeting earlier than usual this year.

Our meetings have been very pleasant and we have accomplished our usual amount of work. The high price of materials has hampered us considerably, but nevertheless we feel that we have had a successful year.

We are thankful that we have had a certain degree of success, and look forward with pleasure to taking up the work again in October.



The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Men's Bible class was formed two years ago to aid the class in its work and to further work in the Parish.

The Auxiliary has held two Rummage Sales, proceeds being used to defray the balance, \$19.00, on the Vacuum Cleaner bought for the Church, and a check was handed the Church warden for \$25

toward the deficit of the fiscal year.

All ladies of the Church are asked to support the Auxiliary. Meetings second Modays. Names may be given Miss Alexander, Miss Richards or any member.



Trinity Tide.

On Trinity Sunday is reached the first half of the "Church" or "Christian year." "So far," says Bishop Coxe, "we have seen that the Son of God was manifested; now in the second half of the Church year, we are to learn, in action, how He 'destroyed the works of the devil.' The first half of the Church year (from Advent to Trinity Sunday) is devoted to *doctrine* primarily, and to duty as seen in direct relation to doctrine."

So, the second half is devoted to *duty* primarily, and to doctrine only as reduced to practical piety. Thus is the Church year divided between the Creed and the Decalogue, in its Christian scope and application.

In the seasons that succeed Advent (Christmas, Epiphany, Septuagesima, Lent, Easter, Ascension and Whit-Suntide) until Trinity Sunday, we perceive a sort of spiritual impulse, by which we are borne along our holy way with scarcely a sense of effort. It is because our affections become warmed, and our feelings healthfully excited, by the peculiar joys of those successive feasts and fasts. But now we have reached a season in which no such impulse is supplied; in which our spiritual joys must be purely those of faith and duty; and in which physical, as well as spiritual, efforts must be made if we would keep our souls alive and growing.

Here, then, we have a chance to try the comparative amount of *feeling* and of *principle*, regarded as constituents of our religious characters. And we may be sure that if our sense of duty is less active than it should be; if we do not now accomplish from *principle* what heretofore we may have cheerfully done from *feeling*; then it is evident that our religion is greatly defective, and is less a thing of the deep heart, than of the superficial sense or emotions.

The very first thing, then, in addressing ourselves to a life of practical piety, is to feel our natural weakness, and our need of grace; in view of the fact that the habitual keeping of the Commandments of God and not the ardour of our pious sentiments, is the criterion of real piety.

This all important principle is, in the Collect for the first Sunday after Trinity, turned into a prayer.

Like the rod of Aaron, the rod and staff of our Creed must now *blossom and bear fruit in piety*; so we pray for the life-giving Spirit, that we, who by nature are dead in sin, may become plants of grace, in the garden of God.



Sunday School.

New classes are being formed in the school by promotion from the Primary and Junior Departments, and it is a great satisfaction to the Rector, the Officers and older Teachers to know that several new teachers have been secured who promise to give such attention and devotion to the work that success is assured.

The Summer School will be with us in reality soon. Already we hear rumors of teachers taking their charges on long trips, country walks or visits to out-of-the-way picture galleries and museums.

Much good can be accomplished by teachers who spend some part of the week with their scholars in this way. They need never fear to find empty chairs instead of scholars when next Sunday comes.

The Germantown Branch of the Diocesan Sunday School Teachers' Association held its annual meeting at St. Luke's Church on Thursday, May 23.

The superintendents of the various schools reported in detail, ways and means used to secure new scholars and retain those of 'teen age.

Much of value to officers and teachers was presented and discussed. These meetings are always well attended and are a source of much satisfaction to those who, in these busy times, can get away for the afternoon and evening sessions.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
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Church Attendance in Summer

I want to say a word in regard to Church attendance during the summer months; not only to those who will remain at home during the summer, but especially to those who will go away for a while, either for a longer or a shorter period.

As you love your country, as you believe in God, as you are loyal to Christ and His Church, *do not live a life of summer atheism!* Do not say, what the little boy said, as he left the Church with his parents, the Sunday before going on their summer holiday, "Good bye, God, we are going away on a vacation."

I sometimes think that, if the angels look down into our empty Churches, during the summer months, and see the unused Prayer Books of so many of our people, they must shed bitter tears. Meanwhile what are these people doing? Here, during the winter, you see them in Church with a fair degree of regularity; but there, away from home, their Church and religion is never thought of. I speak not of the fearful consequences of their neglect of their religious duties, upon themselves alone,—this certainly

means a lowering of their spiritual life, —but it is the awful effect of their irreligion and Church indifference upon the people of the community, where they spend their vacations, that is so disastrous. It is absolutely demoralizing to the people in the country district, if the city man and woman present, Sunday after Sunday, the spectacle of religious indifference or Sunday desecration. If we use that day for purposes which make Church going a mockery, is it likely that the young man or woman living in that community, seeing the example set by "summer visitors," is going to have a particularly high ideal of the sacred obligations of the Lord's Day? Still less, will the countryman, or the servant in the hotel or the native inhabitant, think of his spiritual obligations on this day, if he knows that the summer visitor, who so openly scorns God's House in the summer and desecrates Sunday is, in the winter, a reputable member—perhaps a Sunday School teacher or a vestryman—in a prominent city church?

It does not matter how good a man may be in his own life, his influence, through his public example, in neglecting

his Church and his religious duties, is a direct contribution to the lowering of the standard of the community and this, of course, results, in time, to the eventual degradation of the nation. To whom may God, some day, lay the charge of the decadence of religion in the country? May it not be laid to the Godless example of the summer visitor? "For none of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself."

Let us, therefore, for these summer months, resolve, that no matter where we may be—among strangers in the country, at the shore, or among our friends, at home—we will be loyal to God in *summer as well as in winter*; that we will be regular in our attendance upon the worship of God and faithful in our Communion, for "the strengthening and refreshing of our souls."

And then, *every day* that we live, let us be true to Christ, in our walk and conversation, not for our own sakes alone, but also for the sake of others.

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Therapeutic Value of Prayer

Several years ago Professor William James, the celebrated psychologist of Harvard, declared, in one of his books, that the man who prays for help to do his daily work will so compose his own mind thereby and free his thoughts from care and worry that he will actually do his work better, irrespective of any supernatural aid that may be sent in answer to his petition. The Rector quotes this statement to show how scientists, irrespective of any religious conviction, admit the great power for good there is in prayer. If this must be admitted on purely scientific grounds, how much stronger and more convincing is the Christian's belief in prayer, who bases his faith on the authority and the example of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Now another celebrated scientist, Dr. Theodore B. Hyslop, superintendent of Bethlem Royal Hospital in London, comes forward with the declaration that prayer is the best remedy for mental distress of all sorts.

He said at the recent annual meeting of the British Medical Association:

"As an alienist and one whose whole

life has been concerned with the sufferings of the mind, I would state that of all hygienic measures to counteract disturbed sleep, depressed spirits, and all the miserable sequels of a distressed mind, I would undoubtedly give the first place to the simple habit of prayer....

Let there but be a habit of nightly communion, not as a mendicant or repeater of words more adapted to the tongue of a sage, but as a humble individual who submerges or asserts his individuality as an integral part of a greater whole. Such a habit does more to clean the spirit and strengthen the soul to overcome mere incidental emotionalism than any other therapeutic agent ever known to me."

Dr. Hyslop's competence to speak in the name of science is unquestionable, and what he affirms as a discovery of medical science is identical with the immemorial faith of religions, that there is a place for prayer in the very nature of things. Not only does he find this place to be foremost among restorative agents; he also affirms that it "embodies the most healthy and preservative development of our social forces."

Among the many notable utterances in which science is now evincing herself to be the handmaid of religion, these, the most recent, are as memorable as any.

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St. James the Apostle

Two Saints' days occur during the months of July and August, Saint James and Saint Bartholomew. Were the story of the apostles and evangelists distinctly known and circumrelated, we may suppose, says Milner, "that it would afford materials of exquisite pleasure to every Christian mind. But there never arose in the Church any historian, like Thucydides and Livy, to illustrate the actions of saints. Heroes and statesmen have their reward here; saints, hereafter. Christ's kingdom must not appear to be of this world: and while large volumes have been filled with the exploits of warriors and the intrigues of statesmen, those men who were the divinely appointed instruments of evangelizing souls, are for the most part unknown. Even the memoirs of the Apostles and Evangelists, which the New Testament

affords, are brief; their acts being no further mentioned than as they are necessary to lead men to Christ, and to illustrate Christianity; and introduced, not for the purpose of gratifying curiosity, but of improving the heart.

These remarks are occasioned by the scantiness of that light which the Scripture has shed on the life and character of St. James. He was the brother of St. John, the Son of Zebedee, and a fisherman by occupation. He is styled in ecclesiastical history, St. James the Great, in contradistinction to another of the same name, called James the Less, the son of Alphaeus, and the brother of our Lord. By his mother Mary, surnamed Salome, he is supposed to have been related to his Divine Master. St. James and St. John were called to be disciples of Christ at the same time with Andrew and Peter, the sons of Jonas; and when the Apostles were selected, they were placed in the catalogue next to the aforesaid brothers. The sons of Zebedee were also of the favored triumvirate who were admitted to be witnesses of some transactions in our Saviour's life, from which the other nine were excluded,—such as the resurrection of Jairus' daughter, the interview which took place on the Mount of Transfiguration, and the gloomy scene in Gethsemane. To them also, as to St. Peter, was a new name given on their call to the Apostolate; for our Lord surnamed them Boanerges, or the sons of thunder.

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St. Bartholomew's Day

Our Church celebrates on August 24 the Festival of St. Bartholomew. It has been believed from a very early period that Bartholomew is the same person with Nathaniel.

Bartholomew is not a proper name, but signifies the son of Tholmai, just as our Lord in one place calls Peter, "Simon Bar-jona," or the son of Jona.

We are not told much about this Apostle. The account given of him by St. John is as follows: "The day after the calling of Andrew, Simon Peter, and another disciple, our Lord called Philip to 'follow him.' Philip findeth Nathaniel, and saith unto him, We have found Him,

of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of Joseph." Nathaniel's reply is remarkable. He does not object to the mean condition of Him "Who came in great humility," but of the place of His supposed birth. "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" He knew that Nazareth was a place of bad report, and, on the other hand, that Bethlehem was the place "where Christ should be born." He objects, not because our Lord's lowly estate contradicted His worldly expectations (which was the stumbling block, not only to many of the Jews, but also for a long time to several of our Lord's disciples), but because the supposed fact of the birth of Jesus at Nazareth seemed to him inconsistent with revealed Truth.

But his conduct here is the key to his whole noble character. When Philip invites him to "Come and see" for himself, he does not for "a foregone conclusion," in proud, self-sufficient prejudice, refuse. And our Lord had hardly opened His lips before he was convinced. We are not told what act of Nathaniel the all-seeing eye of the God-Man had beheld under that "fig tree." Probably it was an act of prayer; but whatever it was, Nathaniel had done it in secret, had thought it was known to that God alone to whom it had been offered. And when he heard that it was known to the Being who stood before him, he was convinced at once that that Being was "his Lord and his God."

After this we read very little of this Apostle; nothing except the mere mention of his name in the inspired Volume.

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The Sunday School

The Sunday School will continue in session throughout the summer, beginning at the usual hour, 9.45 A. M. On Sunday, July 7th, the School will meet in "common session". There will be a bright, hearty service and the instruction will be given from the desk. This common session will continue until Sunday, September 15th, on which date there will be our "Rally Sunday." All teachers and officers are asked to be present on September 15th.

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Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

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The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for July and August

- July
7. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
14. Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
21. Eighth Sunday after Trinity.
25. St. James.
28. Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
August
4. Tenth Sunday after Trinity.
6. Transfiguration.
11. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.
18. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.
24. St. Bartholomew.
25. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

Parish Record

Holy Baptisms.

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." Amen.

June

9. Mary Elizabeth Briggs.
9. Alice Emla Wilcox.
16. William Whitaker Allen.
Edward Horace Benjamin Allen.
Rose Elizabeth Allen.
Marion Elizabeth Black.

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

- June 11. Ray Matthues Grove and Mae Emma Geiger.
June 29. Karl Albright and Glendolene Anne Brownloe.

Burials.

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

- June 5. Josephine C. Swift.

Honor Roll of Enlisted Men

The Honor Roll of enlisted men from this parish is hung in the Tulpehocken St. vestibule of the Church. The list includes 56 names—fifty-four men and two women, who are serving as nurses in France.

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Services During the Summer

The Church Services during the summer months will be at the usual hours:

Holy Communion, every Sunday at 7.30 A. M.; Morning Service and Sermon at 11.00; Shortened Form of Evening Prayer and Address, 7.45.

The week day services will be discontinued during the summer.

The Rev. William T. Twamley of Chestnut Hill, and the Rev. Dallas E. Buzby of Haddon Heights, N. J., will be in charge of the parish during the Rector's absence.

Any one in need of their services at any time will receive prompt attention if word is left at the Rectory.

Parochial Societies Adjourn

The societies of the parish have adjourned their meetings until the fall. Regular meetings will be resumed the last of September, at which time a new schedule of meetings will be published in the Chimes.

The Red Cross Society will continue to meet in the Parish House during the summer months every Wednesday and Thursday, from ten in the morning until one in the afternoon. The Evening Meeting will continue to be held every Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. At the Tuesday evening meetings men as well as women are invited.

All men and women in this community are invited to give their services to this patriotic work and will be cordially welcomed.

Red Cross

Annual report of the work done by Aux. 24 for the year May, 1917-May, 1918.

Made by Tuesday evening and all-day Wednesday classes:

Surgical Dressings	15531
Pneumonia jackets	8
Arm slings	220
Sewed bandages	443
Shoulder capes	9
Sheets	48
Pillow cases	48
Towels	122
Pajamas	105
Surgical shirts	112
Bathrobes	38

Undershirts	30
Bed socks	12 pairs
Comfort kits	20
Sweaters	48
Helmets	5
Wristlets	22 pairs
Trench caps	5
Scarfs	8
Socks	3 pair
Wash Cloths	26
Wristlets	2 pairs
Bed Socks	3 "
Helmet	1
Sweaters	3
Property Bags	50
Smileage Book	1
Knitted Squares for Afghans	100
Christmas packages for men in France	31
Bundles Clothing for French and Belgians	2
Money Received	\$149.08
" Spent	426 08
Balance	\$23 00

Men's class in surgical dressings meet every Tuesday evening in the Parish House at 8 o'clock. During the month of May—their first month's work—they have turned in 592 surgical dressings.

During the summer the ladies will meet in the Parish House for Red Cross work Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10 until 1—in place of the all-day Wednesday class. The evening class will meet as usual during the summer, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

C. A. W., Secretary.

Poor Children's Outing Fund

The offering received for the Poor Children's Outing Fund amounts to date to \$115.25. This will enable forty-six poor children to be sent into the country for a week this summer. It would be a glorious record if sufficient money were received to send *one hundred* children. Two dollars and a half (\$2.50) will send one child. Who will raise the number? Any who have not contributed to this very worthy charity are invited to do so, and may send their contribution to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, Westview Ave., Germantown.

To be beautiful we must cherish every kind impulse and generous disposition, making love the ruling affection of the heart, the ordering principle and inspiring motive of life; the more kindness, the more beauty; the more love, the more loveliness.

There is but one virtue, in naming which the whole Divine character is summed up. We are told that is Love, and both S. James and S. John teach us that love is the corner stone of the Christian character and life. Love of our brother in the helpful deed and kindly word; love of God in the resolute acceptance of His orderings and following of his commandments.

The monthly issue of the Chimes will be discontinued with this number. The next number will appear in September, if subscriptions and contributions are sufficient to warrant the publication for another year. The Chimes has been issued monthly, without interruption, for eighteen consecutive years. This is an unusually long record for a parish publication, and the people of Christ Church have come to depend upon it.

Its continued publication will depend upon the financial support of the parishioners. It is hoped that in the fall a very general support will be given it by all.

Our Advertisers

It will be noted that the firms whose advertisements appear in the Chimes, are the most reputable in the community. None other accepted. Without their support the cost of publication of the Chimes could not be met. We know that many of our people consult the advertising columns of the Chimes before making their purchases.

All our people should do so and the result will be "a mutual advantage." Without exception, every firm represented in the advertising columns of the Chimes can be depended upon to give the best and most honorable service.

Additional Envelope Subscribers

There have been several names added, of late, to the list of Envelope subscribers. This is encouraging and it should continue until the list includes every man, woman and child who attends the services of the Church.

The weekly giving through the Envelope System does more than assure a stable income toward the support of the parish. It inculcates, in young and old, the habit of regular, systematic and conscientious giving. It is the Bible method: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by his min store, as God hath prospered him."

It stands for faithfulness, loyalty, conscientiousness — characteristics which mark both a true patriot and a true Churchman.

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the Church. Sign a pledge card, place it on the alms plate at any service and a package of envelopes will be sent to you.

A Helpful Prayer

In visiting the sick and the afflicted the Rector receives for himself so much strength and inspiration for his work that he often wishes that many could share with him these blessings. One of the most saintly women of the Rector's acquaintance, a "shut in" for years in one of the hospitals of our city, composed for her own use the following prayers which have been a source of great help to her in her suffering and her loneliness. At the Rector's request she has copied them and sent them to him and he prints them below that others may receive from them the comfort and strength which have come, at least to one suffering and lonely heart. Here they are. May God bless them on their way!

DAILY PRAYER

"Almighty and everlasting God, help me to think with more comfort of Thy love. Fill my unhappy heart with a consoling sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in the sad loneliness of my life. Let me not dishonor Thee in my unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy Heavenly will. Give me a sense of Thy Blessed Presence, and enable me to

find peace through Jesus, my Saviour. O Blessed Lord Jesus, let me lay all my sorrows and needs at the foot of Thy cross, and fill my heart with a loving hope that Thy goodness will provide for my dearest, in grief, bodily weakness, loneliness and bereavements. Teach me how to overcome sin, and give eternal happiness through Thy precious blood. Amen."

"Heavenly Father, help me to think with more comforting sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in all my earthly life. Let me not dishonor Thee in unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy will. Let me find peace and comfort through my Saviour. Enable me to lay all my sins, sorrows and needs at the foot of His cross. Fill my heart with a loving trust that they will be provided for me in the best way, to the end of my earthly life, and that comfort and strength can be sent to Thy children in every trial. May their souls be cleansed through Thy redeeming blood! Wilt Thou support us through this troubled life, till the shadows lengthen, the evening comes, the busy world is hushed and our work is done. Then, in Thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace with Thee forever. Amen."

Letters of Transfer

It is very important that new comers moving into the Parish should bring with them letters demissory. Note the following Canon of the Church: "*A communicant moving from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish, of late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing.*"

It often occurs that communicants moving into a Parish, neglect for so long a time, to comply with this Canon, drift about from place to place, or, what is worse, neglect altogether their Church duties, that finally they get into a very dangerous habit of religious indolence and indifference—which soon brings with it hardness and callowness to spiritual influences which result in spiritual death.

There are many good people, who were once earnest and faithful attendants at the services of the Church—whose lives were once "strengthened and refreshed by the Bread of Life"—who are now wanderers from the Fold, prodigals from their Father's House. They have become so, not by any wilful desire, not by disbelief or intentional denial of allegiance to their Christ and His Church; but by the insidious force of

habit which almost unconsciously has wrapped itself about them fast—bound like the serpents about Laocoon and his sons.

If these words are read by any who are drifting from place to place, without a Church that they can call their *Home*—the Rector affectionately urges that they let themselves be known to him that he may call upon them and welcome them to this Parish as their Church *Home*.

A letter or a card sent to the Rector will receive prompt attention.

The summer months suggest a release from many forms of Christian duty. But to a conscientious Christian and faithful Church member regular attendance at Divine Service is as important in summer as in winter. Wherever he may be, at home or abroad, in summer or in winter, wherever and whenever the opportunity offers to worship God in His Holy Temple, the words of the true Christian heart are the words of the Psalmist, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord."

The American Church

"It is interesting to note that the men who took the most prominent part in the political and military affairs attending the founding of our country were for the most part Episcopalians. Some of the statesmen of our Church were as follows:

George Washington, first President, leader of Revolution.

George Mason, author of Virginia Rights Bill 1776.

Thomas Jefferson, author of Declaration of Independence.

Patrick Henry, orator of the Revolution.

James Madison, Father of the U. S. Constitution.

John Marshall, interpreter of Constitution. Chief Justice.

Alexander Hamilton, great Federalist.

Richard Henry Lee, who proposed in Congress the resolution of Independence.

Peyton Randolph, President of First Congress.

Robert Livingston, who in 1764 organized opposition to Stamp Act.

C. C. Pickney, who cried "Millions for defence; but not one cent for tribute."

John Morton, whose vote committed Pennsylvania to the Revolution.

Caesar Rodney, whose vote committed Delaware to the Revolution.

Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution.

The following Generals of the Revolution were Episcopalians:

Washington, Muhlenburg, Nelson, Howard, Smallwood, Sullivan, Cobb, Morgan, Lewis, Briarly, Ross, Cadwalader, Wayne, Sumpter, Moultrie, Gwynedd, Jones, Walton, Alexander, Hamilton, and John Laurens, commander and leader of the storming of Yorktown.

There were many more Episcopalians among the framers of the Constitution and the signers of the Declaration of Independence than members of all other religious bodies combined. This is shown as follows:

Of the framers of the Constitution of the United States:

Twenty-five were Episcopalians; five were Congregationalists; five were Presbyterians; two were Roman Catholics; one was a Quaker; one was a Methodist.

Of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence there were:

Thirty-four Episcopalians; thirteen Congregationalists; five Presbyterians; two Quakers; one Romanist; one Baptist.

The Growth of a Liturgy

By Bishop Thompson.

We have sometimes heard it objected to a liturgy, by non-liturgical Christians, that the repetition of the same prayers and praises must gradually dull the mind to their meaning and power. There is undoubtedly, to the undevout, some danger here. It is a danger, however, by no means confined to the users of a liturgy. The Word of God itself, by continual repetition, loses its meaning to the careless and irreverent. The soul is on probation in the use of all means of grace, and there is danger in all of spiritual dead-

ness from familiarity. The danger should be recognized and guarded against in the use of a liturgy. Clergy and laity should both come to its solemn worship with minds and hearts attentive and prepared.

But it is not a repetition in itself that deadens the spiritual power of a liturgy, though we do acknowledge the danger. A knowledge of human nature shows that repetition is the very power of a liturgy, the secret of its hold on the heart. There is the reason why a liturgy cannot be extemporized, why an extemporized liturgy is the most barren of formalism.

A liturgy is a growth. It is the accumulation of centuries. It is the prayers of the holiest in the past. It is the praises of the saintliest of all ages. It comes down burdened with most sacred memories, sanctified with holiest and loftiest associations. These prayers have been the utterances of the greatest brains and the holiest hearts for centuries. These praises have been hallowed by the purest lips that ever spake. The petitions have gone up from dungeon cells, where Christian heroes prepared to give life for faith. These hymns have rung in triumph round blazing pile and bloody block. Divinest sorrow has breathed these misereres. Divinest joy has winged these jubilates up to God. They are, at last, the concentrated worship of the Christian ages. Every pain and every gladness, every mournful defeat, every glorious triumph, in all the cycles of the Church's story, are living yet in these words of power. They have been whispered when an infant died; they have been wailed by the lips of a smitten nation asking mercy of a chastening God. They have echoed in the laborer's cottage, his thanksgiving for humble mercies to the lowly; they have rung through the vaulted roofs of grand cathedrals, a people's shout of glory for deliverance to the great "God of Battles." They are not one man's words, one heart's utterances. They are the world's words. They are humanity's cries to heaven for ages.

Thus has our liturgy grown, Thus does it come to us. Such a liturgy can never be made. Such a liturgy only grows. The oak of centuries stands by

the hand of God. It has grown to what it is by His will. Men do not make either oaks or liturgies. They may prepare and plant the ground or both.

The growth of a liturgy into the individual heart and life is just the same process. Possibly the "Morning and Evening Prayer" speaks to no two souls alike, for the spiritual history of every devout heart is contained in those words that are "common" to all. There is just why that is its excellence, which those who do not know the philosophy of man consider its fault,—its common and general character. It asks what all men want. It gives voice to humanity's common needs, and offers common thanks for common blessings. And each soul finds, under these common formulas, the precise expression of its own special necessity or special thankfulness. * * *

It is the most beautiful thing about the liturgy, this gradual unfolding of its profound and personal sense in the phases of religious life; this process by which, in a certain sense, I appropriate sidered each of them and has marked and make the general liturgy my own.

The prayers are used day by day. They seem to have all the meaning they can have. I use them devoutly. One day a near friend sails away to a distant land. The words, familiar so long, fall from the pastor's lips, "That it may please Thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water," and I am startled by the new power of those words to me.

Again and again I hear the familiar Litany. I seem so thoroughly to possess its meaning. One day I learn that God has written down a dear sister, a widow, in His book; that she and her babies are desolate. The old familiar petition, "That it may please Thee to defend and provide for the fatherless children and widows," falls on my ear in the familiar tones. Henceforth it is my own, with a

profounder meaning. From a heart touched by the finger of God, the response, "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord," comes with a depth of feeling, with a sense unknown before.

The priest stands at the altar. The sublime "Prayer for the Church Militant" falls from his lips in the people's name. I have heard it a thousand times, and I have entered into its power and spirit. I have been carried upward on its strong wings of supplication often.

A devoted father, a loving mother, dies. I have stood by the open grave and have heard the solemn words that committed that sacred dust to the earth till the morning of the resurrection. Again I hear the grand supplication at the altar side. Solemnly the well-known words fall upon the ear, "And we also bless Thy Holy Name for all Thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear." The old words are new. I feel their meaning now. The prayer, at last, under God's chastening hand, is mine. The pulses of another heart shall beat time, till death, to the solemn cadences of that majestic petition which joins earth and Paradise, the crowned dead and the struggling living both in one.

So grows a liturgy into the soul. There is the secret of its power among us. That is why, to Churchmen, extempore forms seem so dead and barren. The spiritual life of every devout Churchman has crystallized around those solemn sentences. They are not words only. To him they are living things.

It is an almost impossible task to produce parish life with people who are indifferent to every enterprise which you may suggest.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

Kalendar for October

October.

- 6. Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
- 13. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
- 18. St. Luke.
- 20. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
- 27. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
- 28. St. Simon and St. Jude.



Parish Register

MARRIAGES.

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

September 19. Alexander Campbell Hooker and Harriet Colladay Gay.

September 24. Arthur Howell Napier and Elizabeth Mary Doyle.

BURIALS.

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

September 19. Henry A. Sibson.



Honor Roll of Christ Church

The Honor Roll of Christ Church is being revised. At present, it includes seventy-three names—seventy men and three women, who are serving as nurses in France. Persons who know of other members of this Parish, enlisted in the

service of this country, whose names are not on the list elow, will please notify the Rector. Their names will be inscribed on the Honor Roll which is in the South Vestibule of the Church, and their star will be placed on the service flag which hangs on the chancel wall.

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Prayer for Men Serving America

By Bishop Greer.

O Almighty God, that sittest on Thy throne judging right; We commend to Thy fatherly goodness the men serving our nation at this time of peril, beseeching Thee to take into Thine own hand both the men and the cause which they uphold. Be Thou their tower and strength and give them courage in peril and dan-

ger. Make them bold through life or death to put their trust in Thee, who are the giver of all victory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



A Sunday Morning Service for Members of the Church Schools and All Parents

An interesting service will be held in Christ Church on the second Sunday morning in October, October 6th. The Schools of Christ Church will attend morning service in a body and a special sermon will be preached by the Rev. Frederick E. Seymour, Rector St. Philip's Church, West Philadelphia, on "Religious Instruction of the Young."

This will be an exceptional opportunity for parents and all who are interested in the education of young people. A cordial invitation is extended to all persons in this community, and especially parents, to attend this service—Sunday morning, October 6th, at eleven o'clock.



Services on All Saints' Day

The services on All Saints' Day, Friday, November 1st, will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 A. M. At the latter service the names of parishioners who have entered into Life Eternal since last All Saints' Day will be read from the Chancel. Prayers will be said for the departed, including the enlisted men who have died in the service of their country. The offering will be for the poor of the Parish. Persons who wish to place flowers on the altar in memory of friends in Paradise are invited to send the flowers to the Parish House on the previous day, October 31st.

After the service these flowers will be taken to the sick in the Parish.



The war has given us nothing finer than Colonel McCrea's immortal verses, now so familiar to us all; verses made still more hallowed since the author has laid down his life for his country. Who can forget the words in the final challenge of the dead:

"Take up your quarrel with the foe,
 To you from fallig hands we throw

The torch: Be yours to hold it high,
If ye break faith with us who die
Weshall not sleep though poppies blow in
Flander's fields."

To us in this generation of still living Christians, the heroic and the honored dead, from Paul the Apostle, in the first Christian century, to the last Armenian martyr in the twentieth century, say: "Take up our quarrel with the foe." We dare not break faith with the Christian dead. From all corners of the earth and from the abodes of the Blessed Dead in Paradise—yes, even from the highest heaven where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God—there comes to us of this generation the call to show ourselves worthy of a crucial hour, to play the man, to do our part in the winning of the world for the Christ who was, and is to be; the Lord of all good life, the King eternal, immortal, invisible: the only wise God; unto whom be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.



Red Cross Workers Needed

The Branch of the Red Cross which meets in Christ Church Parish House every Tuesday evening at eight o'clock and all day, every Wednesday, from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M., is in *great need of Workers*. The demands are so heavy that it is imperative that *more workers must volunteer*. Every woman in this community is urged to attend the meetings and help in the work. No woman should be a slacker! Women! Come at once and do your share! Wednesdays, 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. Tuesday evening (for men and women), 8 to 10 o'clock.



Junior Brotherhood of Saint Andrew

The Rector has appointed Mr. Frederick Lenning, Director of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The Brotherhood will meet every two weeks during the winter and the members are planning some very interesting meetings and useful work. Any boy who wishes to become a member is invited to consult with the Director, Mr. Lenning.



The first meeting of the Altar Guild is called for Monday, October 14th, at

three o'clock in the Parish House. All members are urged to be present.



The Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts of Christ Church are holding their regular meetings on Fridays from 7.30 to 9 P. M., instead of the usual Wednesday evening of last year.

Several hikes were enjoyed during the summer under the leadership of the Captain, Miss Gertrude Feist. On the last hike, a huge camp fire was built and on this supper was cooked. Later on, marshmallows were toasted and ghost stories were told around the camp fire.

We are planning many events of interest for all girls in and around our Parish. About the middle of November we are going to give a play. The proceeds of which are for the benefit of the "kiddies" of the soldiers and sailors whose fathers and mothers will not be able to give them the things children love to receive at Christmas this year such as chocolate and toys. We are hoping to have the hearty support of everyone in our Parish who is interested in children and would like to help us give the "kiddies" a little tiny bit of the good things they would otherwise miss this Christmas.

There is to be another hike in October and then our real winter work begins in earnest. We are hoping to have speakers on various subjects at different times to speak on the subjects we have been studying for the month. The last Friday in each month is our "Good Time Night" when work is discarded and each girl brings a friend to enjoy the fun.

twenty will be welcome most heartily at our meeting to join us.

E. S. C.



Men's Bible Class

The class has been on the job all summer and in spite of the war and any other difficulties is going to stay on the job. When our leader, Mr. Ware, left the parish in June, the class voted to keep open during the summer, and while the attendance only averaged 16, those of us who "stood by" feel that our efforts were repaid.

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

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Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855. requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Owing to the fact that the class was without a teacher it was necessary to supply speakers for each Sunday. This was not an easy proposition as many men who in former years would have been glad to speak to the class, were in service. In spite of this fact we were without this privilege only one Sunday when the President of the class had to make good his failure in securing a speaker.

So much for the past. The future will take care of itself. The present demands our attention. A number of the men of our parish have not as yet taken any interest in the class. It is a double loss to them and us. They are missing the benefits we can give and we are losing the uplift they can afford by their presence, assistance and example. It is impossible to interest an "outside" man in something an "inside" man does not back up, and we have found it out many times during the past two years. Men of this neighborhood, not connected with the parish, will not accept the invitation when they see our own men staying away and so it is up to every man of Christ Church to do his best to bring the other man into the fold both by precept and example. If you are willing to "show your faith by your works" the class would have to move into the church for lack of room.

Forty men, including two teachers, from the class, are in service—most of them overseas. They left us with the pledge that we "carry on" and every letter that comes back asks "How's the Bible Class?" When they come home—as we pray every one will—they are going to look for a live church, Sunday School and Bible Class and are we going to allow these boys and men to call us slackers? Come, men, get on the job. "Keep the Home Fires Burning" that when this war is over and our soldiers come home they won't find us with our talent laid up in a napkin but able to say with just pride "Behold I have gained ten talents more."



From General Pershing to the Churches

General Pershing sends the following message to the Churches in America. It is in response to a greeting delivered to

him by the Rev. Dr. McFarland, in Europe as a messenger from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

"In the name of the American Army in France, as well as in my own name, I thank you for your kind and stimulating message.

"It is the consciousness that the soldier has behind him an undivided nation which enables him, whatever his rank may be, to face his task with courage. We Americans have the added inspiration and encouragement that flows from the example and friendship of our allies, who for four years have been fighting our battles in fighting their own. Standing by their side, we expect not only to vindicate the common cause of justice and honor and righteousness, but also to lay a solid foundation for world peace.

"We dare not claim that, as an army, we have yet achieved that high standard of manhood and conduct upon which the largest human effectiveness should be built; but the ideal of the nation and of the churches is constantly before us. With sincerity and firm purpose we set our faces toward the goal. After all, it is a common fight—yours there and ours here. What is necessary for the manhood of the soldier is necessary for the manhood of the citizen.

"The powerful resources of the nation, which have been placed ungrudgingly at the disposition of the army, are indispensable for the accomplishment of our duty. But we know that mere wealth of material resources or even of technical skill will not suffice. THE INVISIBLE AND UNCONQUERABLE FORCE LET LOOSE BY THE PRAYERS AND HOPES AND IDEALS OF CHRISTIAN AMERICA, OF WHICH YOU ARE REPRESENTATIVE, IS INCALCULABLE. IT FURNISHES THE SOUL AND MOTIVE FOR THE MILITARY BODY AND ITS OPERATIONS. IT STEADIES US TO RESIST MANFULLY THOSE TEMPTATIONS WHICH ASSAIL US IN THE EXTRAORDINARY CONDITIONS OF LIFE IN WHICH WE FIND OURSELVES.

"Your message of loyalty to us draws this reciprocal message of loyalty to you. We of the army think with gratitude and emotion of the unflagging service and wonderful trust in us of the Churches at

home. May we prove ourselves worthy of it.

(Signed) JOHN J. PERSHING.
France, August 16, 1918."



Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting will resume their session on Tuesday afternoon, October 15th, at half past two. Each member is requested to bring one new member to this first meeting. The "Mothers' Meeting" will be held every Tuesday afternoon during the winter.



The Religious Tramp

The religious tramp, is a phenomenon of a serious nature for the churches. He is not a foe to religion. He is indeed a believer, in a way, although he asserts with a pseudo-liberality, that "one church is as good as another." He travels around to the "special services" which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and there are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. Just now in many communities, the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church-builder. Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life and death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church.—The Christian Century.

Sabbath Rest

What profits it that we from labor cease,
That instruments of toil are laid away,
If in the pause, we know not how to
pray,

We languish, perish, but in our release
From toil, if we, devoid of high desire,
Have spent laboriously our weekday
hours,

Have felt no wings to heaven's height as-
pire,

No consciousness of undeveloped pow-
ers.

But, oh the Sabbath rest, to souls that
yearn

For that Jerusalem of love and light,
To which their eager faces ever turn
Through all achieved—for such the
kindling sight

Of that fair city with its crystal
stream—

The civic art of which the ages dream.



To All Members and Attendants at the Services of Christ Church

It is the desire of the Vestry of Christ Church to extend the use of the envelope system of giving to *every member* and attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this splendid system of Church support an opportunity is offered to *every one*—children of this household as well as the adults—to do what they can toward the maintenance of the Parish and the support of its work. The needs of the Parish and its extended usefulness demand that *all should do what they can*.

All self respecting persons will want to assist in the work to the extent of their ability. "If thou hast much, give plentifully; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little." "Let every one do according as he is disposed in his heart; not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."



Less than one half the number of communicants are contributors through the envelope system. This is not just. Every one should do his or her part. If the pledges through the envelope system should be doubled all the financial needs

of the Parish would be met. Will not every one, now, at the beginning of the fiscal year, sign a pledge card for any sum which each may feel disposed to give as a weekly offering. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules or may be had from the Verger. Place this card, signed, on the alms plate at any service. The subscription is held in strict privacy and being purely voluntary, may be increased decreased or cancelled at any time upon notice to the Rector. On receipt of the signed card a package of envelopes will be sent to you. If a subscriber is absent from Church on any Sunday or for any length of time, the *total amount* due for the absent Sundays should be placed in the envelope at the first service he attends after his return.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of illness or inclement weather. We feel sure that this system will appeal to all as a practical and business-like method in meeting the Parish expenses.

In signing this card, please do so conscientiously and with the assurance that you are discharging a very plain and obvious duty which, we believe, will also present itself in the light of a privilege.



Prayers for Those Beyond

"How can I cease to pray for thee? Somewhere

In God's great universe thou art to-day.
Can He not reach thee with His tender care?
Can He not hear me when I for thee pray?

What matters it to Him who holds within
The hollow of His hands all worlds, all space.
That thou are done with earthly care or sin?

Somewhere within His ken thou hast a place,
Somewhere thou livest and hast need of Him.
Somewhere thy soul sees higher heights to climb,

And somewhere still there may be valleys dim

That thou must pass to reach the hills sublime.

Then all the more because thou canst not hear
Poor human words of blessing will I pray,
O true, brave heart! God bless thee whereso'er

In God's great universe thou art to-day."

—Tennyson

"Lists of the American soldier-dead are coming in very fast now and are growing larger. The nation thrilled over those first three of its youth who died for

the cause and read with tears of pride the fine eulogy pronounced by the French commander at the time of their obsequies. These three were the first; but they are not more heroes than these later ones, the names of whom come carefully listed with their next of kin, each name bringing sorrow. There is due to these names more than a hasty glance to see if there is a familiar name among them. These men are dying for us, for our safety, our Americanism, and these names should be accorded a careful reading; it is—in a way—a patriotic rite, and when the end is reached, when one has read who has fallen in battle, who died of wounds, who of disease, and who of "other causes," that heart must be careless indeed which does not follow these brave boys with a prayer.

The prejudice against prayers for the dead will vanish with this war. A Churchwoman who had lately met a heavy loss said: "I never quite approved of the idea of prayers for the dead; it seemed a superstition; but when I enter church, where I sat so long with my husband, my first prayer is for him. It could not be otherwise." And so it will be with thousands. We "don't believe" in prayers for the dead until it happens to be *OUR* Dead—that makes the difference. God does not *need* these prayers—these holy dead do not *need* them. But our prayers, connecting all we love best with God, are pleasing and acceptable to Him and are a link between ourselves and Him."



The Summer is Ended

Vacation days are over. We are all back again to our accustomed tasks, we trust rested in body and mind, and full of determination to make the year before us a year of excellence in service and successful in our chosen calling. Like the Apostle, forgetting the things that are behind, we press forward. There is a wonderful amount of energy stored up to be devoted to whatever is nearest our hearts.

Viewed from the standpoint of a Christian, what shall we do for Christ and the Church. The opportunities are unlimited, the possibilities in every Par-

ish unbounded, the need urgent. The record of a year will only be limited by the consecrated efforts of the men, women and children who are interested in the progress of Christ's work. Would to God this work was near the heart of every one of us, that it might claim a due proportion of the stored up energy with which the new year of activity begins. Forgetting the things that are behind, let us press forward toward the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus. Take your place in Church and in her organized work, and make your example and influence a power for good. Remember the definition of a Christian: "A person called of God to be a workman that needeth not to be ashamed."

Each Christian is

1. *A laborer*, called to work in God's vineyard—see that ye work diligently all the day.

2. *A soldier*, pledged to fight manfully under Christ's banner against sin, the world and the devil until life's end.

3. *A steward*, entrusted with gifts and talents, to be used for God, and to be accounted for.

4. *A co-worker* with God, to build up a spiritual kingdom of righteousness upon the earth.

5. *A servant of Jesus Christ*, bound in all honor to do His bidding.

6. A light, set on an hill, to guide others into the way of truth.

7. *Salt*; to give Christian flavor to customs and habits in the home and in society.

8. *A messenger*, to bear the story of the Christ to every soul, at home and abroad.



Shall the "Chimes" be Discontinued

The "Chimes" has been published continuously, without interruption, for seventeen years. It is a valuable agency in our Parish life and many would regret to see its publication discontinued. This will be necessary, however, unless sufficient funds are in hand before the first of next month to guarantee the expense of publication. Besides subscriptions, liberal contributions are solicited from persons who would like to have the publication continued. The amount requir-

ed, above the income from the advertisers, is \$95.00. If this amount is pledged by friends in the Parish the Chimes will appear, as usual, in November and succeeding months. Otherwise, this will be the last issue. Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to the Rector.



At Noon—A Call to Prayer

The church bell is rung every day at noon. Everyone, wherever he may be at that hour, should pause for a moment and offer a silent prayer to God on behalf of our country, its rulers, our enlisted men and for the speedy restoration of an honorable and abiding peace to the nations of the earth. The church is open all day for private prayer and devotion.



A Service of Intercession

The Rector wishes to call the attention of all members of Christ Church and others in this community to the special *Service of Intercession* for our country, our allies, and our enlisted men, which is held in the church *every Friday afternoon at five o'clock*. The Rector asks all persons, who desire special prayers to be said for their boys in service or for their friends, to give the names of those to be prayed for to him. The names of those, for whom special prayers are requested, will be mentioned severally at the altar. *Parents and others who request prayers for their friends should endeavor, always, to be present at these Services of Intercession and at the Celebration of the Holy Communion when these prayers are said.* In almost every letter which the Rector receives from "our boys" of Christ Church who are in the service—many of them "overseas," some of them "at the front"—grateful appreciation is expressed that they are remembered in prayer by their friends. Parents- Friends of enlisted men! Here is your opportunity! Pray! Pray, Pray! And God will answer your prayer!

"More things are wrought by prayer,
Than the world dreams of. Therefore, let thy
voice

Rise like a fountain for me, night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats,
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands in prayer,

Both for themselves and those who call them friend?

For so, the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."
The Roll of Honor

The Rector is revising the Roll of Honor of men and women who are enlisted in the Service of our Country. This Roll of Honor is in the South Vestibule of the Church and the Service flag, on which appears a star for each member of our Parish in the Service, hangs on the wall at the chancel of the church. No name that should be on the Roll of Honor should be omitted. The Rector, therefore, requests members of the congregation carefully to examine the list of names on the Roll of Honor, and if any name that should be there is omitted please notify him, giving the full name and address of the enlisted person—either male or female. The Honor Roll includes at present the names of sixty-nine persons, sixty-six men and three women who are serving as nurses in France. The names on the Honor Roll is published in this issue of the Chimes. It is hoped, soon, to make it complete.



People in Germantown, Starving

There are people in close proximity to Christ Church who are starving! Some of them live in beautiful homes and are surrounded with comforts and even luxuries and they are hungry and are not fed! They have clothing and food enough and to spare, but "is not life more than meat and the body than raiment." What profiteth a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?" And these people are starving—starving their souls!

We are always trying to find some good excuse for not doing the things we ought to do; at least, we continue to persuade ourselves that the reason is a good one. There are in this community a considerable number of excellent people who are familiar with the teachings of the Christian religion, who are really Christians at heart, and yet, are putting off the time when they will *definitely take their stand* on the side of Christ and His Church, and manfully assume their personal duty and responsibility. They are practical men of wisdom in other spheres of life, but in their religious duties and

responsibilities they display a folly and a spirit of cowardice which is shameful to right thinking and honorable men. The excuses, they offer, are terrible indictments of their manhood. *Every honest well meaning, seriously minded person ought to be a member of the Church.* They are honest, well meaning, seriously minded,—many of them,—and yet they are not members of the Church. What is the reason?

The central word of it is—*Selfishness.*

They are putting off until "tomorrow" what they ought to do "today." They mean to do it—"someday" And

"Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow
Creeps in this petty pace, from day to day,
To the last syllable of recorded time."

Oh, the awful sin of *procrastination*, neglect, crowding out of their lives the most important thing of all—their religion—for those things which can never satisfy! "What profiteth a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?" It makes no difference how much money one may have, what social position one may gain, a man may have these in abundance and yet starve—for these can never satisfy the soul. No one, who is living a life, careless of religion, neglecting, his Church, omitting the blessings of worship, sacrament and service, *starving his soul*, can ever be satisfied. "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labor for that which satisfieth not?" The *soul* yearns for something more than this world can give and will be satisfied with nothing less. And that "Something" for which the soul yearns and hungers is the BREAD OF LIFE, which the Church instituted by God to give to the hungry souls of men—THE BLESSED SACRAMENT OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST! "This is the Bread which cometh down from heaven that a man may eat thereof and not die. And the Bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world!"

You might as well try to convince a starving man that he is not hungry as to convince yourself that you can be really happy without Christ! "My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God."

The question, therefore, that squarely confronts every one who has been putting

off their Christian duty, their privilege and opportunity from day to day, from month to month, from year to year, is, how long will I continue to starve my soul—this God part of me, which cries out for the Heavenly Food? Shall I not even *now*, this fall, this very day, decide in favor of my soul and God? I will “arise and go to my Father.” *Now!* I will take up my Christian duty and responsibility. *Now!* I will resolve, now, to return, to my Father’s House and there, in His presence, kneel, repentant of my past neglect and sin, and receive the Bread of Life, which is able to satisfy the hungry soul!



The Character of the Church

1. It is a Divine institution with a human mission.
2. It is an organism for dispensing Christianity.
3. It is the Kingdom of Heaven seeking men on earth.

The Spirit of the Church:—

In Essentials, *Unity*.

In Non-Essentials, *Liberty*.

In all things, *Charity*.

The Worship of the Church:—

Liturgical in form.

Devotional in spirit.

The pure gold of the prayers of the saints in all the Christian centuries offered before the throne of God.

The Holy Communion, the central act of Christian worship, expressive of every form of devotion in

Confession

Adoration

Contrition,

Thanksgiving,

Intercession,

Consecration,

Praise.

The Fundamentals of the Faith:—

Of Doctrine, *The Creed*.

Of Devotion, *The Lord’s Prayer*.

Of Obedience, *The Ten Commandments*.



Four Notes of the Apostolic Church

Acts xi: 42.

1. The Doctrine of the Apostles (briefly summed up in the Christian Creeds)—II Tim. i:3. S. Jude iii.

2. The Fellowship.—I Cor. i:10-13; iii:1; Rom. xvi:17; Eph. iv:4; I Cor. xii:25.

3. The Breaking of Bread.—I Cor. x:16.

4. The Prayers.&Matt. xviii:19.



Some Valuable Suggestions

Whoever you are and whatever your condition, remember that under all circumstances your Rector is your best friend. He watches for your soul as one that must give an account.

If there is any sickness or affliction in your family, notify your Rector without delay.

Make no engagements for those week evenings when there is an appointed service. Church engagements should always stand first.

If you change your residence address, let the Rector know at once.

If you are a new-comer, promptly do three things:

1. Make the acquaintance of the Rector of the Parish, and present your “letter of transfer.”

2 Offer yourself for duty in some department of Church work.

3. Consult the Treasurer of the Parish and become a regular contributor toward the support of the Church. Don’t wait to be asked.



While we instantly shut our hearts against all that is impure and unholy, all thoughts that would tarnish, or stain, or blight, we should open them just as quickly to all thoughts that are pure, and true, and honest, and just, and lovely.—James R. Miller.



It is safe to say that nine-tenths of the strife and tumult, and so-called religious wars that have raged throughout Christendom, have been due, not so much to heresy, as to differences of opinion wherein men have a right to disagree. Would not agreement regarding facts, and liberty regarding opinions, end this useless waste of energy?



Don’t be sensitive. Nobody wants to hurt your feelings.

Don’t find fault. Criticism will kill the noblest cause.

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The Rector's Notes

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6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " " } AT HOME SATURDAY EVENINGS

Our Solemn Responsibility

The various societies of the Parish have resumed their activities and are now in the midst of their winters work.

Never have we take up our Christian work together under circumstances and conditions more sobering and more serious than at this present moment.

The whole world is "goaning and travailing in pain together." Every one is sobered in thought. Every one realizes the seriousness and the solemnity of the hour.

At such a time as this every heart aches for the untold millions who are suffering. Every soul yearns to be of some help, of some service to mankind.

When we contemplate the sublime heroism the awful sacrifices that are going on day by day on countless battle fields, in millions of Christian homes among all classes of people subordinating, as they are "individual comfort to the one great aim of national achievement, filled with self-surrender, unswerving and undoubting obedience to the inner voice, the same unshakable conviction of fighting for the best that is in them," are not our consciences pricked in self conviction for every idle

moment, every selfish act and selfish thought. We are being taught to-day by the terrible sacrifice and suffering that man's dignity and freedom consist in the unconditional surrender to duty and that the aim of society is, not the largest possible gratification of the individual instinct for happiness, but the highest possible expression, in individual activity, of mankind's striving for perfection.

Societies Are Meeting

The various societies of the parish are re-assembling after the summer vacations and are entering upon the winter's work. The next issue of the "Chimes" will include brief reports of the month's work. All members of the various parochial societies should re-enlist at once and attend the meetings. New comers into the parish are cordially invited to identify themselves with the work and will be welcomed to membership into any of the societies of the parish.

Further information will be gladly given to enquirers by the officers of the societies or by the Rector.

Strangers and Occasional Attendants

The Rector is pleased to see the large number of strangers who attend the services of Christ Church. They are always welcome and the ushers are always glad to show them to seats.

It is disappointing however, to the Rector that these strangers, who come occasionally and some frequently, continue to remain "strangers." He is anxious to meet them and invite them to identify themselves with the Parish. The Parish needs the co-operation and assistance of every one, and every one needs a "Church Home." No one can afford to be an "outsider," without a Church, which he can call his own.

There are many who are going through life, "ramblers," "floaters," "homeless." This is all wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that all in this community, who are not established in any Church will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and welcome them to Christ Church as their Church Home. Do not delay any longer. Do it now!

Assistant to the Rector

The Rector is pleased to welcome to Christ Church the Rev. J. L. Ware, who will assist him in the parish work during the coming winter. Mr. Ware is a senior in the Divinity School of Philadelphia and is a son of the Rev. James P. Ware of Drifton, Pennsylvania. He was ordained to the Diaconate last spring and expects to be advanced to the Priesthood at his graduation in June. Mr. Ware's special work will be among the young men and boys and he will be glad to be of assistance to all young people, whom, he hopes, to be able to interest in the work of the parish.

The Rector will be pleased to introduce Mr. Ware personally to the members of the parish after Sunday morning or evening service.

Special Prayer for Our Enlisted Men

At the Early Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 on Sunday morning special prayers are said for our country and on behalf of the men enlisted in military service—especially for the young men who have gone forth from Christ Church parish. Also, on every Friday afternoon, Evening Prayer is said in the Church at five o'clock, with special petition and intercessions for our nation and its rulers and for men enlisted in the army and navy, for physicians and nurses in hospitals and for all who are serving in their country's cause.

Relatives and friends of "our boys" from this parish, and all who have their country's interest at heart, are invited to attend these services and join in united prayer that God may bless the men and women who are enlisted in any service of our country and especially the members of this parish, that they may be granted protection from all harm, deliverance from all temptation and if it be His will a safe return, through the merits and intercession of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Book of Prayers and Hymns for Enlisted Men

The Rector has purchased a number of Books of Special Prayers and Hymns for private use, which he will be glad to present to the friends of the enlisted men from this Parish to be given or sent to them. This little book is very compact and can easily be carried in the pocket. All applications for these books will be promptly met, if request is made to the Rector.

We are glad to note that the more reputable drug stores in Germantown have agreed to close their places of business the greater part of Sunday. It is hoped that it will not be long before all Drug Stores in Germantown will be included in this list.

To help bring this about residents of this vicinity should not make purchases at Drug Stores on Sunday, except in cases of necessity.

The Need of Workers

The various societies of the Parish are resuming their winter's work. What a splendid opportunity is afforded to every earnest man and woman in this Parish to make his or her life "tell!"

Workers are needed in every department in our Church School—among the boys, among the young men among the girls, among the poor. There are so many shirkers, some jerkers, but not enough workers. It is workers that are needed—men and women, willing and anxious to assume responsibilities for God and resolved to give their best for Him.

The Rector cordially invites all persons who desire to engage in an unselfish and devoted service, to confer with him. They will not apply in vain.

Tell the Rector

Frequently the Rector accidentally hears of cases of long-standing illness in the Parish which should have been brought immediately to his attention. As it is impossible for him to know of these cases without being told of them, the attention of the congregation is called to the rubric at the beginning of the Order for the Visitation of the Sick, which reads "When any person is sick notice shall be given thereof to the minister of the Parish."

Parishioners should also notify the Rector when they change their addresses.

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Shall the Chimes Be Continued?

The "Chimes" has been published for fifteen consecutive years, and like many other good things in life, it has been taken for granted and regularly accepted; but it has not, of late years, been appreciated to the extent of being adequately supported. During the past

three years the cost of publication has almost doubled. The price of subscription has remained the same. The result has been that each year there has been a deficit. Last year the amount was \$26.00. This deficit was borne by the Rector.

If the publication of the Chimes is to be continued during this year the cost should be met by every one subscribing and also, by generous contributions from those who are willing to give.

It is desired that every one in the Parish should have a copy of the "Chimes" each month. An extra supply is provided for strangers who worship with us and they are cordially invited to take copies from the table in the vestibules. Members of the Parish should be willing to help by subscribing or by sending donations toward the expense of publication. The discontinuance of the "Chimes" would be considered by many a grave mistake, if not a misfortune.

Therefore it is hoped that there will be a prompt and generous response in subscriptions and contributions on the part of all our parishioners.

The price of subscription will remain the same; fifty cents a year, or sixty cents if sent by mail. Contributions, above the price of subscription, will be welcomed in any amount.

Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to the Rev. J. L. Ware, care of Christ Church Parish House, Germantown.

Mr. Gurley

Frequent letters from Mr. Gurley, who is in the Military Service "somewhere in France" bring word that he is in good health. The censor is so strict that Mr. Gurley can give but little "news" of the wonderful experiences which he is having, but some day he will have some very interesting accounts to give to his friends.

In the meantime his many friends in Christ Church will be glad to hear from him that he is well, and our prayers will be for him that he may be kept from all harm and, if it be God's will, will be granted a safe return. Mr.

Parish Notes

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901) Rector's Warden

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Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
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Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies Held in the Parish House

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursdays, 2.00 P. M.
Boys' Brigade—Monday evenings, 7.45 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood S. Andrew—Third Monday, 8.00 P. M.
Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Junior)—4th Wednesday, 7.45 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8.00 P. M.
Christ Church Club—1st Friday
Daughters of the King—First and Third Mondays, 8.00 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8.00 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Women's Auxiliary)—First Thursday, 10.00 A. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4.00 P. M.
Men's Club—3rd Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

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The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

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Church Services

Holy { Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
Comm- { Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
union { First Sunday in month, 11 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Sunday School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Bible Class (Adult), 3.00 P. M.
Friday, Evening Prayer, 5 o'clock
Baptism, 2nd Sunday in month, or by appointment.

Gurley's address is Sargent Richard H. Gurley, General Hospital No. 16 British Expeditionary Force A., P. O. S. 13. France.

These Calendars may be purchased from the Verger. They cost thirty cents apiece.

A Reception to be Given to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt

A Reception will be given to the Rector and Mrs. Arndt in the Parish House on Thursday evening, October 25th at eight o'clock, to which all parishioners and attendants at Christ Church are cordially invited.

The occasion is the twenty fifth anniversary of the Rev. Mr. Arndt's association with the Parish, as Curate and Rector.

Mr. Arndt was called to Christ Church as the Assistant to the Rector, the Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., after his graduation from the Philadelphia Divinity School, June 1892.

The following year he was made Associate Rector of the Parish. Upon the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Falkner, Mr. Arndt was unanimously called as Rector.

With the exception of one year spent abroad, on leave of absence, at the American Church in Nice, France, Mr. Arndt has been at Christ Church for twenty-five years.

This Reception is tendered by the Vestry as a slight token of the respect and affection in which the Rev. and Mrs. Arndt are held by the parishioners of Christ Church.

A cordial invitation is extended to all parishioners and attendants at Christ Church to this Reception to be held in the Parish House, Thursday evening, October 25th, at eight o'clock.

W. G. R.

Church Calendar for 1918

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1918 has been ordered and may be had after November 1st. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

The Church Seasons appear in their appropriate "colors" and the Saints' Days and Festivals of the Church are similarly marked. On the back are selected lessons for each Sunday and Holy Day in the Church Year.

Sailors and Marines to be Entertained in Christ Church Parish House

A committee has been formed to be known as the Patriotic Committee of Christ Church, for the purpose of helping those who are giving up so much for us. Friday evening, October 26th has been set aside to entertain fifty sailors and marines. The Committee are planning to do something each month, which will of course necessitate a certain amount of expense. While it is always necessary to have a committee to arrange for these things we want every member of the Parish to consider themselves part it, and do what they can to help this work along by giving what they are able to, no matter how small.

We feel sure if they have read or heard the reports the Christian Association, St. Andrew's Brotherhood and various other Societies make they must realize the necessity of this work.

We have a number from this Parish who are away from home and friends who would appreciate the same privileges we want to give these men. We do not want to confine it to caring for them by entertaining alone; we want to reach them in other ways and also show them that good clean, healthy, amusement means. The aim of this committee is also to keep in touch with our own boys, by writing, etc., and to show them they are still with us, in memory and in our prayers. Won't every one help us carry on this good work?

Contributions for this patriotic work are solicited and may be sent to Miss Chase, 45 E. Washington Lane, or to the Rector.

Women's Bible Class

The Women's Bible Class, which meets in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, has resumed its sessions. An invitation is extended to all women to attend the meetings. The class is taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore.

Persons in Arrears

A few subscribers through the envelope system have neglected to make up their arrears and the Accounting Warden would greatly appreciate it if all persons in arrears will enclose the amounts due as soon as possible.

A large majority have paid in full and the few in arrears will, no doubt, do the same when their attention has been called to it.

A "Mission" to be Held in Christ Church

A Mission will be held in Christ Church, beginning the second Sunday in Lent, February 24th and continuing until the Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 10th. A "Mission" is a series of religious services and instructions, organized to quicken the religious life of Christians and to arouse the interest of persons indifferent to religion. Such will be the motive and purpose of the Mission to be held in this parish. The Missioner will be the Rev. Harvey Officer, member of the Order of the Holy Cross. Father Officer preached in Christ Church on Sunday morning, September 9th and all who heard him at that service were impressed by the strong, forceful sermon and the deep spirituality of the preacher. From this sermon can be presaged the spiritual feast that is in store for those who are privileged to attend the two weeks' Mission to be held in Christ Church during Lent.

Let every member begin now to anticipate this coming Mission, to let it be known far and wide, to prepare our hearts to receive the blessings and to pray that the Holy Spirit will be with us and with all who have a part in it.

Remember the date of the Mission, February 24th to March 10th, 1918.

Red Cross Society

Two Branches of the Red Cross Society hold meetings in Christ Church Parish House. One Branch meets every Wednesday at 10.30 and continues its session until five o'clock in the afternoon. The other meets every Tuesday evening at eight o'clock. The officers elected for the ensuing year are:

Miss Wurts, President

Miss Sykes, Vice President

Mrs. H. C. Thompson and Miss Woodroffe, Secretaries

Mrs. H. E. Fitzgerald, Treasurer

Miss Ella Chase is in charge of the Evening Class and Miss Helen Newland has charge of the Surgical Dressing Department.

All women in this vicinity are invited to join one of these Branches of the Red Cross.

Evening Meetings of the Red Cross

After a short summer vacation the evening Branch of the Red Cross resumed its meetings on September 2nd. This class meets in the Parish House on Tuesday evenings and we feel that it should include every member of this Parish and Community who do not attend the morning or afternoon meetings or belong elsewhere. There is work for all, if not Surgical Dressings, sewing. The needs of our boys are great, and not only our own but those who are with us in this dreadful but just war. There are many among us who have not been called to make any sacrifice, but why should we be willing to accept the sacrifice of mothers who have not only given one boy (in many instances her only child) but several. It is our safety that is being assured by these boys and their mother's sacrifice. If we cannot send any one to bear our share in this war we should at least feel that anything we can do to help make their sufferings less in time of need is one of the greatest pleasures and privileges that could be granted us. Not to be willing to do our part as women puts us in the same class as "slackers" and we certainly, as patriotic women, are not willing to allow anyone to say we are such. As we cannot be soldiers, marines or sailors let us do our best to help those who are doing for us.

We are very proud of our evening class and the work they turn out, and are positive if those who have not taken up this great work already if they would drop in and see how interested and earnest the workers are they would joyfully give up at least one

evening each week and join these faithful workers who feel it is a great privilege and not a sacrifice to do their bit.

Services on All Saints' Day

The Services on All Saints' Day, Thursday, November 1st, will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Holy Communion and Sermon, 11.00 A. M. At the latter service the names of parishioners who have entered into Life Eternal since last All Saints' Day will be read from the Chancel and prayers will be said at the altar. The offering will be for the poor of the Parish. Persons who wish to place flowers on the altar in memory to friends in Paradise are invited to send the flowers to the Parish House on the previous day, October 31st.

After the service these flowers will be taken to the sick in the Parish.

It is the teaching of the world of God and of our Lord and Saviour, and it has in every age been the belief of the Church, that heavenly beings are employed by God to minister to, to watch over, defend, and comfort His servants. Seen or unseen, they are about us. The soldier in the trenches, the sailor amidst the perils of the deep, the priest waging battle as a "Knight of God" with human sin and misery—all have about them the ministering spirit sent forth by the God of men and angels to aid and protect His own. May we not pray as Elisha prayed, "Lord, open the young man's eyes." and is it not conceivable that to those who are looking death in the face day by day, and to whom the unseen world is a great reality, there may be vouchsafed in answer to that prayer a consciousness of the presence of the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof?—Church Life.

The Religious Tramp

The religious tramp, is a phenomenon of a serious nature for the churches. He is not a foe to religion. He is indeed a believer, in a way, although he

asserts with a pseudo-liberality, that "one church is as good as another." He travels around to the "special services" which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and there are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. Just now in many communities, the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church-builder. Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life and death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church.—The Christian Century.

Some additional names have been added to the list of subscribers through the Envelope System during the past month. This is encouraging and is an indication of the growing interest among the attendants at the services and a recognition of the principal that **every one** should be a regular, systematic, conscientious supporter of the work of the parish. The Envelope System of giving should be extended until it includes **every member, child and adult, of every family** in the Parish. St. Paul lays down the rule: "Upon the first day of the week let **every one of you** lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." I Cor. 16:2. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule.

Sunday School Monthly Church Service

On the first Sunday in the month the Sunday School assembles in the Church at 9.45. This monthly Church service familiarizes the young people with the use of the Prayer Book and impresses them with the spirit of reverence and worship. Parents of the children are invited to attend this service at 9.45 on the first Sunday of each month. Parents are cordially invited to visit the Sunday School.

Maskeraid Party

Back again! Glad to see you. Are you coming? Sure and I am going to bring all my friends this year and enjoy one big night of fun and jollification. Friday Evening, November 2nd, 8 P. M. Tickets 25 cents. Including Refreshments.

Games of all kinds, fortune teller, and Prize for costumes. Benefit of C. C. Club, Men's B. Class and New floor in Gymnasium.

Big night.

C. J. C.

A Vacuum Cleaner Needed—Who Will Give?

In the last issue of the Chimes an appeal was made for help to purchase a Vacuum Cleaner for our good sexton. We know how many and great have been the demands made upon everybody at this trying time so concluded to wait until Fall to take up the question again. We have secured an excellent Cleaner at a very moderate price, and feel sure all the members of the congregation who have attended services must notice the improvement in the appearance of the carpet and pews, and will be willing to help pay for the comfort of knowing there must be fewer of those dreadful bug-bears of modern times "Germs," in our church. Wont everybody try and give a little. No matter how small, it will be thankfully received, as it will go to make up the amount necessary to pay for the Cleaner. Contributions may be given or sent to Miss Chase, 45 East Washington Lane.

A Good Example

Dr. H., pastor of a Presbyterian church, was a next-door neighbor of the writer. On Sunday as he was going into his home after the usual Sunday morning service, he was asked in a neighborly way how he had preached that day, and what was his theme. He stated that he had preached about as usual, and that his theme was "Bequests." When asked just what he meant by preaching on "Bequests", he stated that it had been his rule for a long time to preach at least one sermon every year upon the obligation of Christian people to remember the Lord's work in their last will and testament.

This up-to-date pastor stated further that when he knew members of his church who ought to make bequests for religious causes he sought opportunity to speak to them personally upon the subject. He said furthermore that they would usually do so. Not only this, but not infrequently he wrote wills himself for those who needed such help. Christian Intelligencer.

In each issue of the "Chimes" there has appeared for the past sixteen years this notice:

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It is hoped that this form has suggested to many persons in this Parish the duty and propriety of including in their last will and testament a bequest

to Christ Church, Germantown. May the Holy Spirit open the hearts of our parishioners to remember their Mother Church.

"Come and See" the Men's Bible Class

These words were spoken by a man who had found something worth while. They were spoken to a man who, as we would say today, was a member of the church, who went to the services on Sunday, who gave of his means to support the church and was, to all outward appearances, living a high moral life.

The man who spoke these words had formerly been just about the same but one day there came into his life an influence which changed the whole course of it and not only his life but the lives of other men with whom he came in contact.

I have been asked to write a few words about the Men's Bible Class. This would mean something concerning the past, as a rule, and as we are just now living very much in the future, I wish to write something for the men of the Parish to think over and then, if it seems worth while, apply it to the Bible class for themselves.

Do you believe in preparedness? It took our country three years to answer that question and much time, labor and opportunity was wasted. One million, five hundred thousand young men, under thirty one years of age, have been chosen for military service by our government. The best the land could give have been taken and what preparation are we who are left making to fulfill the duties they gave up for this greater service? The industrial organizations are "speeding up" and producing, without these men, more than they did before. But what about the Church? What are we, who call ourselves Christians, doing to keep the "home fires burning?" Are we "speeding up" the work they laid down? Are we making any effort to "produce" our portion and then with our "second wind" as it were, going right ahead and doing the work of those members of the church who have answered the call of their country?

Every man who has been baptised is enlisted in the army of the King of Kings. He has promised to be His faithful soldiers and servant until his life's end and just as there is no excuse today for the registered man not hearing the call, so there is no excuse for any man in the church not living up to his obligation. It may be unconsciously that men evade this call to service but just as surely every man will be called upon to give an account of his stewardship.

Some day these men are coming back. What are they going to find? Depleted ranks and disbanded organizations or will they find that the boys have accepted the added responsibility, the older men have seen the vision and the spread of Christ's Kingdom has not only been kept at the mark attained when they left but, inspired and strengthened by their example and the larger call to service, we have pressed on to heights before unattainable.

The Bible Class, the Sunday School, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and other organizations are waiting for volunteers. Nathaniel said, "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Philip said, "Come and see."

How Not To Do It

Once upon a time a young man was baptized in All Saints' church, Twelfth and Fitzwater streets, Philadelphia. For many months he took a deep interest in the work of the Church, and then moved to another part of the city to be nearer his place of employment. He attached himself to another church because it was close to his home. After years of consistent Christian living, he committed a crime of which he was found guilty and for which he was condemned to several years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. While serving his "bit," the elders of his church paid him a visit; and, after telling him how scandalized they were by his fall from grace, demanded he resign his membership and sever his relations with that special communion of saints without delay. He did, and lo! the sheep became a goat.

On the other hand: an inmate of the Eastern Penitentiary, also in Philadelphia, recently said: "I had heard of the Episcopal Church, but had never cared for it till I went to prison."

What a noble work the City Mission of Philadelphia is doing among these people for Christ and His Church!

An Early Portrait of Christ

Portraits of Christ and the apostles which are believed to have been made at a time not far removed from New Testament days have been discovered on an old chalice now in American hands. The chalice can be dated with certainty in the second half of the first century A. D., says Dr. Gustavus A. Eisen, who has made a preliminary report upon it in the "American Journal of Archaeology." It was found by Arabs digging a well in Antioch on the Orontes, Syria. At the depth of many meters they came upon underground chambers which contained the treasure. It is probable that the old chalice, or communion cup, some of whose worn figures bear witness to the imprint of the kisses of early Christians, is a relic of a cathedral erected in Antioch by Constantine the Great after his removal of the capital of his empire to Constantinople.

The chalice is made in three parts. There is an inner bowl of plain silver, crudely made, with a heavy outer casting of beautiful sculptured work in which, woven in with a design of vine leaves and grapes, are the portraits of Christ and the disciples. The whole is supported on a short, slender stem and narrow foot disk turned out on a lathe from a solid block of silver. On the lower part of the bowl of the chalice is a cluster of lotus leaves. The sculptured work is Greek, that of an artist. Dr. Eisen believes, and the individuality shown in the faces makes it probable, that they were taken from life or from portraits; the wax portraits of the period were excellent. "Such individuality cannot be the result of accident," says Dr. Eisen, "and it is the first time that it has been shown in early Christian art."—The Living Church.

Teachers' Training Class

Teachers in our Sunday School and all persons who wish to qualify themselves as teachers will be glad to learn that they will have an opportunity to attend a Teachers' Training Class which will be begun on Thursday evening, November 1st, and will meet Thursday evening of each week until the middle of December.

The Class will be taught by Mrs. Louis Seymour Houghton. There are few women who are as well fitted to understand such work as Mrs. Houghton. An author of a number of books on Religious subjects, a close student of the Bible for many years, a lecturer before some of the most prominent educational institutions in the country, a woman of singular charm of personality and with unusual didactic ability.

Mrs. Houghton possesses qualifications, rarely combined in one individual, which enables her to bring the Bible to her hearers, as a Book, living, throbbing with God's message to each and every heart.

All who attend these classes will appreciate the privilege of studying the Bible under the instruction of such a teacher.

Not only the teachers in the Sunday School, but all are invited to attend this course which will begin in the Parish House on Thursday evening November 1st.

Provide your Own Prayer Books and Hymnals

Prayer Books and Hymnals are provided for strangers who attend the services of Christ Church and may be found at both entrances. Regular attendants at the services should provide themselves with their own Prayer Books. Every member of the church should possess a private set of Prayer Book and Hymnal, which should be brought to the Church and taken home after each service. Cloth covered books may be purchased at any book store for twenty-five cents and these may be left in the members pews.

Give Through the Envelope System

It is earnestly desired to extend the use of the envelope system to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this method everyone is given an opportunity to share in the support of the Parish and its work. Children, as well as adult members of the family, are invited to give through this system, thus inculcating in the young the Christian principle of systematic and conscientious giving. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the church. Everyone is urged to take one of these cards and to sign it for any amount each may feel able to give, on one side as a weekly offering to support the missionary work of the Church and on the other side as an offering to the support of the Parish.

Place this card on the plate on Sun-

day or send it to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Gtn. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of sickness or inclement weather.

This method will appeal to every one as the most practical and business-like in meeting the expenses of a Parish.

It is the method also which will appeal to conscientious people who wish to do their share in the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

Everywhere, Everywhere, Christmas Tonight.

Christmas in lands of the fir tree and pine,
Christmas in lands of the palm tree and vine;
Christmas where snow peaks stand solemn
and white,

Christmas where corn-fields lie sunny and
bright;

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-
night!

Christmas where children are hopeful and
gay.

Christmas where old men are patient and
gray.

Christmas, where peace, like a dove in its
flight,

Broods o'er brave men in the thick of the
fight.

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-
night!

For the Christ-child who comes is the Master
of all;

No palace too great—no cottage too small.

The angels who welcome Him sing from the
height,

"In the city of David a King in His might."

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-
night!

Then let every heart keep its Christmas with-
in

Christ's pity for sorrow, Christ's hatred of
sin,

Christ's care for the weakest, Christ's cour-
age for right,

Christ's dread of the darkness, Christ's love
of the light,

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-
night!

So the stars of the midnight which compass
us round,

Shall see a strange glory and hear a sweet
sound,

And cry, "Look! the earth is aflame with de-
light,

O sons of the morning rejoice at the sight."

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas to-
night! —Phillips Brooks.



Christmas Peace.

What a wonderful Christmas this is to-
day! Never since the angels sang, on
that first Christmas morn, their hymns
of peace and good will, has the message
come amid more gladness and brought
more joy to the hearts of men, than on
this Christmas Day.

"Glory to God in the highest and on
earth peace among men, in whom He
is well pleased!" The whole world
joins today in this heavenly chorus.

The representatives of the great na-
tions of the earth are assembled to bring
about peace. Peace? What peace? Let
us fervently pray that it may not be a
peace of compact, of agreement or of
compromise. If so, it will be only an-
other "scrap of paper." Let our prayers
go up to Heaven that the Holy Spirit
may so direct and prosper all their con-
sultations to the advancement of God's
glory, the good of His Church, the safe-
ty, honor and welfare of all people; that
all things may be so ordered by their en-
deavor, upon the best and surest founda-
tions, that peace and happiness, truth
and justice, religion and piety, may be es-
tablished for all generation.

So shall there be peace on earth; the
peace of which the angels sang, the peace

of righteousness, of justice, of truth; the peace of Christ, born in the hearts of men; the peace of the SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD; the peace of the eternal Prince of Peace; the peace of God!

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The religious character of the Day should not be lost sight of, but should be strongly emphasized. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctly a *religious* festival. The Day should, therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless as these may be in themselves, but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. It should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christian joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families worshipping in the House of God, "of sending portions to those for whom nothing is prepared;" of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of these. *The religious observance of the Day must come first and be paramount in importance*, or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger to-day that we, too, will deny Him room? That our hearts and minds, and the hearts and minds of the children, will be crowded full of the world and there will be found no room for Christ? Let each one bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day, and come into God's House and bring gifts unto Him and worship Him, Emmanuel, God with us.

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His coming on Christmas Day at the Altar. How are you going to keep Christmas? Is it to be simply a feast of Santa Claus, or is it to be to you the celebration of the greatest event in the history of the world, the coming into the world of the Son of God, "the brightness of the Father's glory and the express

image of His person; being of one substance with the Father by Whom all things were made."

How does a devoted and dutiful child observe his parents' birthday. By being, if possible, in their presence.

Our Lord is with us today. He did not leave us when He departed from this earth. He brought heaven down to us that He might be with us always and He calls us from the altars of His Church to come and worship Him. Do not let the Christmas dinner be more important than the Christmas communion and Christmas worship. You can have your Christmas dinner in the afternoon just as well as at noon.

God demands of us personal devotion. Nothing can take the place of that.

If you keep Christmas as you should keep it, you will always have a happy, if not a merry, Christmas, and you will not hate Christmas as those who keep it only for themselves often do when the family is scattered or broken by death, for at the Lord's table you will meet with "loved ones far away," and above all you will meet your Lord whom you have learned to know and love, and Whose Incarnation has brought us the more abundant life.

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The Advent call to prayer met with a very generous response throughout the parish. The daily services were well attended and an earnest and serious spirit was manifested by all who shared in these privileges.

The Rector appreciates very highly the faithful services of the women who so devotedly gave themselves to this great spiritual uplift.

It is certain that such seasons of consecrated service and prayer must work to God's glory in the furtherance of His Kingdom upon earth.

Calendar for January.

1. Feast of the Circumcision.
5. Second Sunday after Christmas.
6. Epiphany.
12. First Sunday after Epiphany.
12. Second Sunday after Epiphany.
25. Conversion of S. Paul.
26. Third Sunday after Epiphany.

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The beginning of a new year is a time for looking backward, as well as forward; backward to see what our failings have been, forward with intentions of amendment in the future.

The Feast of the Circumcision. January 1, observed in the 6th century. In St. Barnard's time homilies were set forth. On this day the obedience of Jesus Christ is celebrated in fulfilling all righteousness. The revival of this feast and its publication in the English liturgy was in 1549.

The 1st of January as the first day of the year, dates from 1752, when George II. by statute caused the legal year to begin on January 1st, instead of March 25th.

The Epiphany, or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, Jan. 6th, was kept in the early church with the same solemnity as the Lord's Day. In the Greek church the Nativity was also celebrated on this day. Clemens Alexandrinus mentioned the feast about 200 A. D.

Conversion of St. Paul. Jan. 25th. The Collect is from the Sarum Missal, and expresses as much gratitude, and registers as much resolution as any human language can. In it we pray that we, having the wonderful conversion of the Apostle in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness by following the holy doctrine which he taught.

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Epiphany.

Epiphany follows immediately after, and is indeed an extension of the Christmas Season and continues up to Septuagesima Sunday. The festival of the Epiphany must be deemed of very high importance by the believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life,—the visit

of the three wise men to worship "the new born King,"—it, also, asserts one of the most fundamental and vital features of Christianity; the great distinction, in fact, between Christianity and Judaism. The Jewish religion was the religion of a race. Was a merely national religion like this a full unvailing of the mind of a common Father of the human race? Was His interest and love to be confined to one people, alone? Was there to be no place in His heart for more races, who lay east and west and north and south of the favored region? Was the Son of God come to reveal the Father's love to and to save one set of people only, or was He come to manifest His love to and to save all people, everywhere? The event set forth is the festival of the Epiphany and the missionary teaching of this Epiphany season is sufficient answer to that question. The Church's mission is to *all* the world, to *every* people, to *every* clime. The Epiphany season is the great *missionary* season of the Church. Every season, of course, should be a "missionary season" but at Epiphany *special* emphasis is laid on this teaching; indeed, that is what the word "Epiphany" means,—"manifestation," "shining out." The star shone out and led the Gentiles to the Child of Bethlehem and they "fell down and worshipped Him." And so we pray, in the collect for missions, "O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the whole earth and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that *all* men *everywhere* may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy Kingdom, through the same *Jesus Christ our Lord.* Amen."

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroff, (1901) Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
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Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Honor Roll of Christ Church

The following are the names of members of this parish enlisted in the service of our country; total seventy-eight.

At the Celebration of the Holy Communion on Sundays and on Friday afternoon at five o'clock, special prayers are said on behalf of all enlisted in the service of our country and especially for the members from this congregation. At noon, every day, the church bell is rung and prayers and intercession are made for our country, for our enlisted men and for the peace of the world.

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

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Publication of the Chimes to be Continued

On account of the increased cost of publication the Rector had thought to discontinue the publication of the Chimes for the coming year. So many persons, however, expressed their regret at this announcement that the Rector has reconsidered his decision and will continue publishing the Chimes for the coming year, hoping that he will receive the necessary funds from members of the congregation, to defray the expense of publication.

If all who are interested in the continuance of the Chimes will send the price of subscription, and as many who can, a substantial contribution, the Rector will be able to meet the expense without personal loss.

Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman St.

The following persons have sent in their subscriptions or contributions: Mrs. Baishbrown, Mrs. W. H. Brooks, Miss Dora Crowder, Miss Gertrude Crowder, Mrs. Fisher, Miss Geib, Mrs. Hearst, W. N. Johnson, Mrs. Emily A. Jones, Miss Lapp, Miss Schneider, Mrs. Mogridge, I. M. Woodroffe, Mr. Van Buskirk, Miss Kimmerling, Mrs. Gerhardt.

Services on Christmas Day

The services at Christ Church on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 6.30 and 7.30 A. M. Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon, 11 o'clock.

The offering on Christmas Day will be taken for the parish assessment of the Pension Fund for Aged and Disabled Clergy.

Music on Christmas Day

The special musical program on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Processional Hymn 49—"Oh Come, all ye faithful."

Venite.

Te Deum, Dykes in F.

Introit, Hymn 51.

"Hark! the herald angels sing."

Communion Service in E flat.

Retrocessional, Hymn 56.

"Christian, awake! salute the happy morn."

The music will be repeated on the following Sunday.

The Church Schools' Christmas Service

The Christmas service of the Church Schools will be held on Sunday after Christmas, December 29th, at three-thirty o'clock in the afternoon.

The schools are practicing their Christmas carols which will be sung at this service.

Members of the schools are requested to assemble in the Parish House at three o'clock and will march into the Church.

Christmas Entertainment

The Christmas Entertainment for the Upper Schools will be held in the Parish House on Friday evening, December 27, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Primary Department will hold their entertainment on Friday afternoon, December 27, at three o'clock.

Of course old Santa Claus will be on hand as usual to welcome both old and young.

The parents of the scholars are cordially invited to both of these entertainments.

New Year's Midnight Service

A Midnight service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at eleven o'clock.

The church will be open all evening for meditation, intercession and prayer.

Patriotic Committee

The Patriotic Committee has sent out to every family in the parish, which has a member in the United States service, "Enlistment Cards," requesting full and complete record of each person enlisted in the service. These cards are to be kept in the archives of the Church as a record of all the enlisted members of the parish. A few have not yet returned these cards. It is very important that this should be done at once, and any who have not returned these cards, filled out as directed, are requested to send them to the Rector.

The Committee are keeping in touch by letter with every enlisted member whose is known and a "Christmas" remembrance is sent each. There are seventy-eight names on our Parish Roll of Honor.

Christ Church Kalendar for 1919

A limited number of Kalendars for 1919, with a picture of Christ Church at the top and the Holy Days of the Church Year marked with appropriate colors, may be purchased from the Verger at thirty cents each.

These Kalendars are suitable for Christmas or New Year's gifts.

Contributions for "Christmas Greens"

Contributions are asked from members of the congregation to meet the expense of decorating the Church for Christmas.

Contributions may be given or sent to Mr. Richard H. Morris, 6604 Wayne Ave., Germantown.

Confirmation Lectures

The Bishop of the Diocese has notified the Rector that he will visit (D. V.) Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation.

The Rector will begin a course of lectures on Confirmation soon after the Christmas holidays. He will be glad to receive at once the names of persons contemplating Confirmation.

A large congregation was present on Sunday evening, Dec. 1st, when a "Victory Sing" and Patriotic Service was held in Christ Church.

The Church was handsomely decorated with American flags, and the flags of the Allies. The cross, followed by the American flag, was carried in procession, and the choir, augmented by several stringed instruments, rendered patriotic and soul stirring music. Mr. Owen J. W. Burness was at the organ, and Mr. John S. Hart, acted as precentor and led the choir and congregation in the hearty service of song. An interesting address was delivered by Mr. J. M. Shiner, a worker in the Y. M. C. A.

Red Cross

The regular annual election of officers was held in the Parish House on Wednesday, November 13th.

Mrs. H. C. Thompson was re-elected chairman. Mrs. E. S. Sites resigned and Mrs. R. M. Jones was elected vice-chairman. Mrs. H. E. Fitzgerald was re-elected treasurer, and C. A. Woodroffe, secretary.

The Tuesday evening meetings of the Red Cross have been discontinued as have also the Wednesday afternoon class in surgical dressings. BUT—the Red Cross room is open every Wednesday from 10.00 A. M. to 5.00 P. M. There is some very special work to be done and all members are urged to come and sew. The meetings have been very sparsely attended all fall.

Members of the surgical dressing class come and sew. C. A. W., Secy.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly meetings on November 18th, the time of meeting having been changed to evening.

We are very glad to welcome the Misses Maud and Edith Thompson to membership in the Guild.

Miss Ruth Gerhard was appointed to take charge of the Memorial Flower list. The Guild would be pleased to have anyone, who wishes to have a memorial Sunday, give their names to Mr. Arndt.

The Guild is most grateful to the men who helped us by decorating the Church with flags, for the Thanksgiving day service. We are now planning for the Christmas decorations.

The Serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

Dec. 13-20: Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe.

Dec. 20-27: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhard.

Dec. 27-Jan. 3: Misses Dean, Falkner, M. Thompson.

Jan. 3-10: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson. G. F. D.

A Processional Cross Presented

A beautiful brass processional cross has been presented to the Church as a "thank offering" by Mrs. Emily A. Jones. It was carried in procession, together with the American flag, for the first time on Thanksgiving Day.

A Processional Flag Needed

The Church is in need of an American flag to be carried in procession on patriotic and other special occasions. Who will give it?

The Unity of Baptism

Baptism asserts for each man that he is taken into a union with a Divine Person, and by virtue of that union is emancipated from his evil nature. But this assertion rests upon another, that there is a society for mankind which is constituted and held together in that Person and that he who enters that society is emancipated from the world—the society which is bound together in acknowledgment of the subjection to the evil, selfish tendencies of each man's nature. But, further it affirms that this unity among men rests upon a yet more awful and perfect unity, upon that which is expressed in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.—F. D. Maurice.

Texts Suggesting Thankfulness

Isaiah 9:6; Matt. 1:21-23; S. John III:16; S. Luke, 1:33; S. Luke II:11, 14; Galatians 4:4.

It is the merry heart makes merry Christmas, and that is one thing money can not buy or sell. At the manger of Bethlehem rich and poor alike may find the joy of life, and all will be disappointed who do not seek it there. In the Word made flesh and in union with Him is our life and true merriment. Gratitude for His great gift of Himself should make our hearts merry and overflowing at Christmas.

If we really desire the best for our friends and ourselves we must bring them to Jesus our Lord, then can we indeed wish for them a merry Christmas. A Christless Christmas must of necessity be disappointing. We must live Christmas Day in the spirit of the Blessed Redeemer to have a merry Christmas. He gave Himself, what are you giving for His dear sake?

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Life is a burden, bear it;
Life is a duty, dare it;
Life is a thorn crown, wear it.
Though it break your heart in twain,
Though the burden crush you down,
Close your lips and hide the pain;
First the cross and then the crown.
—A. J. Ryan.

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Mr. Middleton Resigns as Associate Superintendent of the Church School

Mr. O. N. Middleton, who has been connected with the Church School of the parish for more than a quarter of a century, has resigned as Associate Superintendent. His resignation was read by the Rector at the last meeting of the teachers and was accepted with great regret.

Resolutions of appreciation of Mr. Middleton's long and faithful services were passed by the teachers and officers of the school, and a picture of Hoffman's "Christ in Gethsemane," was presented to him as a slight token of their high regard and esteem.

The Rector announced the appointment of Mr. R. H. Morris as Associate Superintendent of the School.

The Superintendent, Mr. George T. Morgan, is temporarily teaching the Women's Bible Class during Colonel Potter's disability. It is hoped that Colonel Potter will soon be able to resume his duties as teacher.

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The Junior Brotherhood

Attention! Men of the Parish, both younger and older! We have with us the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew again.

Mr. Arndt asked two of our fellows to go to one of the Brotherhood meetings, and they went. This is the result: when they came back they were filled with the spirit and wanted to get to work and renew the old chapter. And so, thro the combined efforts of Mr. Arndt and Mr. Leming we formed one Friday evening.

Now we are going full speed with no stop in view. We are going to help the Parish, both young and old. Already we have boys ushering in Church every Sunday night.

Belfield and Faulkner have both carried the flag, and Bland the cross, in Church.

The officers of the Chapter are David B. Arndt, vice-director, Frothingham Faulkner, treas., Robert Carmint, sec.

In the chapter are eight fellows, all striving to make the chapter a success.

At the first formal meeting held November 20, 1918, the business of getting started was taken up. The age for eligibility was decided at 14 to 18 years of age. It was agreed that at each meeting some member make a religious or some other topical address to the meeting.

David Arndt volunteered to lead the next meeting. It was at this meeting that the ushering was decided upon, and Robert Carmint was decided upon to take charge for the next four Sundays.

At the close of the meeting the special study was taken up, which is electricity taught by our director.

The next meeting was led by David Arndt, and his subject for address was co-operation. It was moved and agreed that a basketball team be made up of the Brotherhood and Bible Class. The meeting then adjourned and the special study taken up.

Now we have started something which for two years has been extinct. We are willing to work with the parish and we want the parish to help us in return. Let us be pushers together and not one in the wagon while the other pulls.

Our purpose is "to spread Christ's kingdom among boys." We have eight now. Watch us grow. Let's have a good showing for Mr. Gurley when he comes back. Put your name in now. Come to our meetings, we need you, Christ Church needs your work, and Christ needs you! Come and bring a friend and make our parish stand out from the rest.

R. Carmint, Secy.

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Renters of Pews

Whilst Christ Church is essentially a "free church," in that every one is cordially welcome, and the number of pews marked "vacant" is sufficient to accommodate all strangers and occasional attendants, the Vestry desire to encourage all persons who attend the services of the church to contribute in some systematic way toward the maintenance of the church and its philanthropies. Besides the expenses of running the Parish, the church has many assessments made upon it for the support of hospitals, missions, works of charity, both within and without the Diocese, both at home and abroad. These opportunities for doing good should be shared in by the many, and not be borne by the few, and therefore, to the end that every one may enjoy the privilege of doing his or her share in supporting and extending this work for Christ and His Kingdom on earth, that this Parish is endeavoring to do, the Vestry invite every one to become a regular and systematic contributor to the support of the Parish and its work.

All are invited to rent pews or sittings, and to pledge themselves to pay weekly, through the envelope system, such amounts as they may feel able to give. Further information in regard to pews or sittings may be had by addressing the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 228 South 3rd St., Philadelphia; or he may be seen personally after Church service.

Men's Corporate Communion

Beginning January 19th and continuing on the third Sunday of each month thereafter, it is intended to hold a corporate communion for the men of our Parish at 7.30 A. M.

Definite arrangements have not been completed thus far but it is hoped that every male communicant will give the matter his attention and resolve both to attend and use his influence upon others.

This movement is nationwide and the spiritual results which may be attained are beyond measure if the men will support it. While it is hoped that a large number will receive communion on the above date, no concerted effort is to be made for that particular day. It is to be a gradual growth from month to month—the men present to be the means of extending the invitation to others. If we take up the task willingly and conscientiously the increase in regular communicants will be marked. Remember the date and other announcements will be made later.

C. H. J.

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Men's Bible Class

The Men's Class is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Robert P. Shick, who has kindly consented to act as leader for the month of December. While making no prophecy for the future it is always well to remember that once a man begins a work of this kind it is often very difficult to draw him away from it if he finds that the men appreciate his efforts.

While, of course, the appreciation rests with the members of the class, yet the other men of the parish who thus far have not been associated with this branch of the Church's work, can by their co-operation at this time do much to benefit themselves, the Class and other men in our neighborhood not now attending church or connected with Bible classes. We want every man not already engaged in Sunday School or Bible Class work to help. There is plenty of labor to be done, but considering the number of men in the parish, the laborers are few.

A Christmas card has been mailed in the name of the Class to every member

in service as a slight token of our remembrance. We may have some of the boys who were still in the camps when the armistice was signed, home with us by that time, and they will receive a hearty welcome.

During the winter it is hoped to have a social night on the third Sunday of each month. Every man in the congregation is cordially invited to come himself and bring some other man with him. C. H. I.

Mothers' Meeting

On account of the influenza the Mothers' Meeting did not open as early as usual. Our first meeting was on Nov. 12th. At this time we attended a moving picture show and then adjourned to the Rectory, where, through the kindness of Mrs. Rowley, we were entertained with ice cream, cake and coffee.

After this little festivity we settled down to our winter's work. Our first few meetings were devoted to finishing garments which were left over from last year. We were thus enabled to donate thirty-two garments to the Needlework Guild. We are again sewing rags for rag rugs, and we are also helping to mend the soldiers' garments, which are under the care of the Red Cross. Donations of clothing for a Rummage Sale and new rags, both cotton and woolen, will be gratefully received by the directors of the meeting. The attendance at the meetings has been excellent. One only regret is that our good friend, Mrs. Rowley, on account of ill health, has not been able to be with us as yet. We hope to welcome her back shortly. H. F. A.

A Letter From The Bishop

The following issued by the Bishop should receive a generous response. Persons who may respond to it from this parish are asked to mention that they are from Christ Church, Germantown.

To my Friends in the Diocese of Pennsylvania

As a member of our Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania I ask you to consider:

That our Diocesan Missions take care of

23 Mission Churches in the City of Philadelphia.

24 Mission Churches in Rural Districts.

40 Missionaries are supported for these Churches and their purposes.

Our Diocesan Missions minister to the French, Italians, Poles, Jews, Colored People, the Deaf and Dumb, etc. The Missionaries to all these people must be supported.

The Diocesan Convention voted for these purposes \$40,800, of which thus far about \$20,000 has been received from the Parishes.

Parishes and Private Individuals were appealed to for the immediate and pressing demands due to the deficit of last year \$7000; they have given for this purpose \$3500. The remaining deficit of \$3500, and the amount of \$20,000 required for the Apportionment of this year, a total of \$23,500, should be made up before December 31st.

May I count upon your individual assistance, as the Treasurer of the Board of Missions informed me that his account is over-drawn?

Foreign Missions and the Domestic Missions within our Nation's boundaries have always been urged under the injunction to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, but modern conditions have brought hundreds of thousands from all the world right into our City, to be ministered to without the expense of our going to them in distant lands.

Faithfully yours,

Philip M. Rhinelanders,

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CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
6.00 to 8.00 P. M.

Important!

The entire Diocese is called to mobilize its spiritual forces! The call comes from the Bishop and is made to every member of the Church throughout the Diocese.

Every baptized person is a member of the Church—a soldier of the Cross. And like every loyal soldier responds to his country's call, every loyal Churchman responds to the call of the Church.

*"Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God."*

This is the call. The Bishop of the Diocese, and through the parishes, to every member, of the Church immediately, to enlist. The Church is called upon to mobilize its spiritual forces, for instant aggressive warfare. The appalling condition exists that not more than one out of ten members of the Church is faithful in meeting and discharging his duty. A large majority of the members of the Church of God are slackers! No state could exist under this condition; no army could be effective. It would mean anarchy and self-destruction.

And this condition must not be allowed to continue in the Church, if, "like a mighty army," she is to be strong and not weak, victorious and not defeated.

And now

The Call Comes

to every member in this parish and in every parish throughout the Diocese, to stand forth, like a true soldier of the

Cross, and actively enlist in the Church's service.

The Bishop calls upon every parish to begin *at once* to take an enrollment of its membership and to enlist the interest of every member in some department of the work of the Kingdom.

As a preliminary and preparatory step in this wide movement, every member of the Church is asked, first to "take it all to God in prayer." It is to be a spiritual movement, therefore, it must be begun, continued and ended in the spirit of prayer. I ask that every member of Christ Church Parish make this a special object of prayer. Pray, *by name*, for those who refuse to listen to the call of God; pray *by name* for those who have grown indifferent to and careless in their religious life; pray for those who are bitter and sinful, that God's Holy Spirit may soften their hearts and support them in their temptations; pray for the faithful, that they may be given strength to do their duty and to continue steadfast.

The call, therefore, is, first, to *summon the prayer strength* of the entire Diocese, that the movement may receive the guidance and the blessing of God.

The Active Campaign

will begin on the first Sunday in Lent, March 9th, and will continue for three weeks. The first week, (March 9th to 15th), will be devoted, in each parish, to presenting to the members in the parish, the opportunities for service. There will

be also special subjects for study and prayer. The hours and subjects of these meetings to be held in this parish will be announced later.

The next week, (March 16th to 22), will be devoted to a study of the work of the Diocese, with services in central points throughout the Diocese and an exhibit of charts which will vividly present diocesan work, needs and opportunities.

St. Luke's Church, Germantown, has been appointed as the place for holding meetings during this and the following week of all parishes in Germantown and Chestnut Hill.

The Concluding Week.

(March 23 to 30) will be the week of a great City-wide Missionary Mission to be conducted by the Rev. Robert E. Patton, D. D., and his associates, with addresses and conferences on the world-wide work of the Church. An every-member canvass on the last Sunday of the campaign, March 30, will have as its object the enlistment of every member for prayer, service and giving in winning the world for Christ. The pledge cards will embrace both service and giving and will contain brief questionnaires to help in determining how far the Church is entering into the life, work and homes of the people of the diocese.

It is expected that every member in this parish will be visited on that day.

May I again ask, my dear friends in Christ Church, that every member in our parish will make this coming "Campaign" a matter of very serious thought and prayer, that this "Call" may result in a deeper consecration on the part of us all and more earnest, unselfish service in the great work that God has given us to do in this parish and through the Church at large? Pray for this movement at your daily morning and evening devotions; at noon, the great bell of Christ Church will ring each day. Remember it at this hour, my friends, when your Saviour hung dying upon the Cross for you and for all mankind.

Surely, if every member of our Parish, if all Church people will pray,—pray EARNESTLY, God will send His blessing upon our work and upon all who engage in His service.

Daily Prayers to be Used for the Campaign.

May I ask that every member of Christ Church Parish will use daily the following prayers from now and throughout Lent? Cut these prayers out of the CHIMES and put them at your bedside to be used every morning and night; also, insert them in your Prayer Books to be used at service in the Church.

Lord of all power and might, who rulest in heaven and in earth, and canst turn the hearts of men after the counsel of Thine own will: we humbly pray Thee to awaken in all the members of our Parish a deep desire to maintain and set forward the work of Thy Kingdom throughout the world, that Thy Holy Name may be glorified and that all men everywhere may come to know Thee as their Father, through Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised Thy presence and power to all who obey Thy command to tell the nations of Thy love, bless we pray Thee our effort to strengthen and extend the work of our Parish. To all who shall take any part in our plans give wisdom and zeal. Bind our people in a closer fellowship. If any have grown careless, help us to lead them back to Thy house that their love for Thee may be renewed. Teach us to pray, labor and give more faithfully for the extension of Thy Kingdom among men. Of Thy mercy we ask this, O Blessed Saviour of the world, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O Eternal God, who hast committed unto me the swift and solemn trust of life, since I know not what a day may bring forth, but only that the hour for serving Thee is always present; grant that I may give myself with a ready will to make Thy way known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Teach me, my Father, by Thine infinite love for me and for all men, to love those whom I have not seen, but with whom I may share the good things Thou hast entrusted to me: that the coming of Thy Kingdom may be hastened, and the sorrow of the world be relieved, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Blessed Saviour, who at mid-day didst hang upon the Cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms in prayer and sacrifice for us; Grant that all mankind may look unto Thee and be saved. Send Thy blessing upon our Nation, and upon all the Nations of the earth, in this new era of reconstruction and peace, and endue the peoples with patience, self-control and kindness.

Prosper the work of Thy Church in all lands; and direct all in authority to walk in Thy way. Protect the soldiers and sailors everywhere; and help them to pray and to be

faithful. Comfort the sick, the wounded, and the dying; and support those who minister to them. Succour the bereaved, and all who are in want. Restrain class hatred, oppression, and lawlessness. Make us, at home and abroad, to be unselfish, to bear one another's burdens, and to promote freedom, righteousness, and true religion among all men.

Finally, we beseech Thee, forgive our sins; and forgive the sins of our enemies, and turn their hearts; and grant to us, and to the whole world salvation and peace, through Thy mercies and merits, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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"Make strong our hands and give them work to do,
And patience to perform.
Give us strong faith that keeps the laborer true,
Nor bends before the storm.
So in our hearts the harvesting shall be,
The trust of those who fight across the sea."
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A Letter from the Bishop.

My dear Friend:

"To the angel of the Church in Philadelphia write . . . Behold, I have set before you an open door." (Rev. iii:7-8.)

I want you to take these words as a *personal message* from the Holy Spirit.

The door is open. Our Victory has opened it. A new world is to be built on the ruins of the old: a new world of peace and love and justice. That is what our brave boys fought and died for. It is for us to make it good. We must all do our part. You, as a member of the Church in this Diocese must do your part.

But we are not ready. Some of us have never felt that we had anything to do. Suppose in our army in France only one-third of the enlisted men had been trained and equipped and ready to obey orders! That is just the situation in the Church. We were all enlisted in Baptism. But two-thirds of us have never realized it. None of us have done our best. None of us have shown the steadfastness and sacrifice of well-trained soldiers. The great need is that we all go into training at once for the service to which Christ calls us. Each congregation is to become a camp or cantonment. Spiritual drill is just as necessary as physical drill. The Christian's Manual of Arms must be mastered by every member of Christ's army.

Very earnestly I ask you to do your part. This little pamphlet will help you. Keep it by you. Use it faithfully. Be regular and careful, especially in your prayers, that you may have your Orders for the day from your Commanding Officer. By His grace may you and all of us be helped to do His will.

Faithfully yours,

PHILIP M. RHINELANDER,
Bishop of Pennsylvania.

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Confirmation Class Forming.

The Rector requests all persons in the Church, who are contemplating Confirmation, to give their names to him *at once.*

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Father Officer's Mission.

Last year Father Officer was in Christ Church and held a wonderful three weeks' mission. At that time many persons in the parish made splendid resolutions to be more earnest, more faithful, and more conscientious in their Christian duties. Some persons signed cards, pledging themselves to all of this. How MANY ARE KEEPING THESE GOOD RESOLUTIONS? How many are *trying* to live up to them?

How true are the words of our Lord!

"A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold.

Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience"

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
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All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Editor at least twelve days before the date of publication.

Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodruff, (1901) Rector's Warden
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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishoners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for February.

2. Feast of the Purification.
9. Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.
16. Septuagesima.
23. Sexagesima.
24. St. Matthias.

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Septuagesima Sunday occurs on February 16th. It tells us of the near approach of Lent and bids us to prepare for the proper observance of that sacred season. Ash Wednesday occurs on March 9th.

In the next issue of the CHIMES a list of the Lenten Services will be given in full.

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Several new subscribers to the envelope system have signed pledge cards for weekly contributions.

Let the good work go on until the list of envelope subscribers shall include *every attendant at the services*. Pledge cards will be found in the vestibules of the Church.

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Confirmation.

The Rector is desirous of receiving the names of all persons in the congregation who are thinking of Confirmation. He will soon begin a Course of Instruction on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church," and wishes to form the class before he begins the lectures. He asks that names will be given to him at once.

He will be glad to confer with any person on the subject after Church services or by appointment.

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"WHAT KIND OF A CHURCH WOULD THIS CHURCH be,
IF EVERY MEMBER WERE JUST LIKE ME?"

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Subscribers to the Chimes.

Many more subscriptions and contributions are required to continue the publication of the "Chimes."

Will not all persons in the parish send contributions or subscriptions at once, either to the Rector or to Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman St., Germantown.

Since the last issue subscriptions and contributions have been received from

the following persons: J. I. Morrison, Mrs. Florence D. Bland, Mrs. James H. Ritter, Rev. A. H. Hord, Mrs. Annie Warner, Mrs. Arthur Bruce, Mrs. L. H. Dayton, Mr. Frederick Leming, Mrs. A. T. Flower.

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The Church Bell Rings at Noon.

At twelve o'clock, every mid-day, the bell of Christ Church rings. It is a call to all people to spend a few minutes in prayer, for our country, for the Church and for the spread of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. Let our people remember this every day at twelve o'clock.

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Roll of Honor of Christ Church

We continue to publish the full list of the names of the enlisted members of Christ Church. Some have been mustered out of the service but a majority are still "overseas." We shall continue to have prayers for them until they shall have returned "home again."

The Honor Roll is as follows:

"Unto God's Most Gracious Protection We Commit You."

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The Junior Brotherhood.

"Every member campaign is the main object of the Brotherhood for March. We are going to endeavor to not only help our chapter but the church in general. Altho, as our main object is to spread Christ's Kingdom among boys, we will try to get some good, earnest fellows in the work.

The Junior Brotherhood is now going to usher in church every first and third Sunday night of the month. Look for the boys with the blue cross! Next Sunday the 19th, Falkner, Van Dusen, Courtney and Carmint will usher. On the following first Sunday of March, which is the 2nd, Arndt, Befield, Carmint and Raynor will usher.

This Sunday night, the 2nd, will be our night, after the service. The Junior Chapter will then be recognized as a chapter by the initiation in the church. We had planned for this.

Next meeting it is the endeavor of every member to bring an applicant for membership. The meeting on the 29th will be led by Clarence Van Dusen, and it will be very interesting we hope.

We earnestly desire that the Senior membership of this Church get together and help us and thus renew their deadened embers of work.

When the last "Chimes" came out we were just starting. Now we are going. See and help us grow. Any fellow over 14 years of age, and passes the approval of the members, can join.

We are going to start a basketball team to represent the Church. Come out, boys, and see your church win. The Junior Brotherhood is for the betterment of the boys of our Church socially as well as spiritually. We expect to bring forth a lot of results in the present year.

R. Carmint, Secy.

"WHAT KIND OF A CHURCH WOULD THIS CHURCH BE

IF EVERY MEMBER WERE JUST LIKE ME?"

The Work of the Church.

While the primary and supreme object of the Christian religion is to produce spiritual results, it does unquestionably produce temporal results of a most blessed and beneficent nature. Apart from its eternal and spiritual results the church of Christ is the most beneficent institution that ever existed. As a police force it does more to restrain wrong-doing and to prevent crime and violence than all the governments of the world are accomplishing or could accomplish without it. It is doing a work for the moral, physical and temporal welfare of the people that is not equalled or approached by any known agency among men.

This will be admitted by every one. And yet, how many there are who neglect to help in the support of the Church and its wonderful work for the uplift of humanity!

New Church Hymnal.

The revised hymnal, authorized by the General Convention of the Church, has just been published and will be on sale this month.

A new and commendable feature of this hymnal is that all copies are provided with the music as well as the words. This feature will encourage congregational singing.

We shall begin to use this new hymnal in this parish very soon. It is desired that all shall provide themselves with copies at once. A number of copies have been purchased by the Vestry and will be sold to members of the congregation who wish them. The regular retail price is \$1.50 per copy. They may be secured for \$1.25 per copy by applying to Mr. James M. Woodroffe, or Mr. Richard H. Morris.

"What kind of a Church would this Church be,

If every members were just like me?"

Men's Corporate Communion.

On Sunday, January 18, a Corporate Communion of the men of our Parish was held at 7.30 o'clock. As it was the first of what is intended to be a continued effort to draw the men of Christ Church to the Holy Communion, the attendance was not large but those who were present could not but have gone away feeling that it was good to have been there. Naturally these men are going to come on the third Sunday of February and more than that they are going to ask some other man to come and receive the benefits also. Thus month by month the attendance will increase until every man and boy will feel the joy of kneeling before God's Altar with the corporate body of the men of Christ Church at this great service of consecration.

Yet the movement does not stop with the bounds of this Parish. Throughout the land this corporate communion of men has been gradually making its influence felt for some years and so it is not a small body of men meeting together in a single parish but hundreds of similar bodies, united in one common purpose and meeting on the same day, rendering

thanks to God and trying to draw other men to Him through this service.

Can any one ask what the result will be? With every man united in heart and purpose will not the uplift in the spiritual life of our Parish be beyond anything before experienced; the will to be "doers and not hearers of the word" stimulated to such a degree that the present activities will be but a memory and the missionary work in this community and elsewhere be given the impetus which will make our Parish a living force.

Theory? This service has been the means of doing all of this and more to many parishes in this and other cities. It only requires the "will to do" and it is up to the individual man to do his part. The opportunity is here. The invitation, "come for all things are now ready," has been given and if the men of Christ Church accept the Blessing is sure to follow.

C. H. J.

Men's Bible Class.

The annual meeting of the Men's Bible Class was held on January 16 and the following officers elected for the year 1919: President, Frank Manser; First Vice President, S. N. Baxter; Second Vice President, Dr. J. C. Courtney; Secretary, Kober Sands, and Treasurer, D. F. Wilcox. With the exception of the Treasurer the entire lineup is composed of new men and we look for the increased activity which should come with this infusion of new life.

As Chairmen of the various committees the President appointed Frederick Lennig, New Members; C. J. Cotton, Absentees; C. H. Jackson, Relief; R. M. Jones, Social; C. R. Reckard, Publicity; John McGill, Class Welfare; Linwood Heald, Finance, and E. T. Brooks, Assistant Secretary.

After the business meeting a Package Party was held at which \$22.20 was realized. This money is to be used to help defray the expenses of a Class Supper to be given on the evening of February 12, Lincoln's Birthday. Owing to the war no banquet was held last year and we hope to be able to arrange a very good supper at a price not to exceed \$1.00 per plate.

All men of the parish are welcome to attend and tickets may be procured from any member of the Class previous to February 10.

The Class is not organized for social features only and many men who have not yet shown interest in the Sunday meetings at 9.45 a. m. would find much benefit in the course of study being conducted by Mr. Robert P. Shick on "The Early Christian Church." If you have not attended so far, make an effort to do so. We have a fine bunch of fellows and a leader who knows what he is talking about and with that combination it is worth while for any man to become a member.

C. H. J.

What kind of a Church would this Church be if every member were just like me?

Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild held a regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, January 13th.

We were glad to have Mr. Arndt with us. He gave a short talk, explaining more fully the "Every Member Campaign Call," which is to come early in March.

The committees will serve during February as follows: : Feb. 1-7th, Mrs. Cotton, Miss Manser. Feb. 7-14th, Misses Chase, Alexander, Woodroffe. Feb. 14-21st, Misses Mogridge, Cosley, Gerhardt, E. Thompson. Feb. 21-28th, Misses Dean, Falkner, M. Thompson.

The Woman's Auxiliary.

The Woman's Auxiliary has not held any meetings this winter, but, it is hoped, although we are late in beginning, that the work of the Auxiliary will be able to enlist the active interest of every woman in the Church.

To this end we are arranging for a "Missionary Afternoon." We will have an interesting speaker who will talk to us on the necessity of missionary work of the Church. Afternoon tea will be served.

The war activities are closing down,

and we hope that our church women will join with renewed enthusiasm to the work of Christ and His Church. Special notices of the meeting will be sent to the men of the parish.

Some Questions Asked and Answered on the Teachings of the Church.

What is Baptism?—Baptism is the initiatory Christian Sacrament of regeneration, by which one is incorporated into the Body of Christ, made a member of the Kingdom of grace, and given capacity to receive Sacramental benefits. The matter of Baptism is water (Acts viii, 36) applied by the Minister to the person to be baptized, with the use of the proper form of words.

The form of Baptism consists of the words, "N. I baptize thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

When doubt exists as to whether a person be already baptized or no, a hypothetical form is employed, "if not already baptized, I baptize thee," etc.

The proper Minister of Baptism is a Priest, although a Deacon is authorized to act in the case of infants when a Priest is not to be had, and any one may act in extremis. In the latter case, if recovery follows, the baptized person should be received publicly by a proper Minister.

Infants are to be baptized, although sponsors should be provided to secure their subsequent training in the teachings of the Church, and their due preparation to receive the other Sacraments worthily, when they come to years of discretion.

Baptism should always take place in the Church, except in case of sickness.

What is the Apostles' Creed?—The Apostles' Creed receives its names from the fact that it is derived from the teaching of the Apostles. It contains the main truths which they preached to the world, speaking only those things which they had seen and heard while they followed the Lord Jesus.

The Church has given considerable prominence to the Apostles' Creed. It is printed in the Book of Common Prayer seven times. Speaking of this Creed,

Bishop Forbes writes: "From the days of St. Paul to this, these articles have been the sum and substance of Christianity. Nothing less than that is sufficient. Nothing more than that is of absolute necessity to salvation. When a child is baptized, the Church demands no more of him, or of his Sponsors than an assent to the Apostles' Creed—and when the Christian soul is going out of the world to meet its Judge, it is in the terms of the Creed that the dying man is interrogated."

What is Confirmation?—Confirmation is the Sacrament whereby those who have been made members by Baptism, of Christ's Body, wherein the Holy Ghost dwells and works, are endowed with the gift of the Holy Ghost by the laying on of hands, are strengthened for spiritual warfare, and are made full participators in the royal priesthood of the faithful. The matter of Confirmation is the laying of hands upon the candidate's head by the proper Minister (Acts viii, 17, 18). The form is an invocation of the Holy Ghost which accompanies the laying on of hands.

The Anglican Communion requires that children shall not be kept from Confirmation beyond the age when they are able to learn the Church Catechism; but shall be duly instructed and brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him as soon as they reach the years of discretion, i. e., of ability to distinguish practically between the state of salvation and the state of damnation. They misinterpret the Church and err dangerously who think that ability to give a full reason for the faith which is in them should be required. The preparation consists simply of a penitent spirit of obedience to the kingdom of grace, and sufficient knowledge and conviction to fulfill the practical requirements of Faith and conduct laid down in that kingdom. It is, of course, expedient that adult candidates for Confirmation should receive fuller instructions, adapted to their age and intelligence, and should fulfill the conditions of Faith and repentance which are necessary for the beneficial reception of any Sacrament by those who are of sufficient age to resist truth and grace.—*Francis J. Hall, D.D.*

Is the Church the Means of Grace?—Since the days of Pentecost, the day of creation of the Christian Church, the ordinary way in which God bestows grace on the souls of men is through the glorified humanity of our Lord and the working of God the Holy Ghost. The closest means of union with the glorified humanity of Christ, and of the most immediate mode of contact with God the Holy Ghost are in the mystical Body of Christ, that is, the Church, and are open to man the use of the Sacraments. Thus the Christian Church is the channel of grace. The O. T. contains many instances of the Divine use of material means. In the Incarnation what is visible and tangible was used for the purposes of Divine grace. During His Ministry our Lord deigned to employ external means of healing. It is an answer to the felt needs of man that he should receive grace in objective ways of that which can be seen and felt.

The Christian Church is a visible society, a fellowship and brotherhood of man. It is reasonable that incorporation into the society and maintenance in its life should be accomplished by sacramental rites.—*Dr. Dix.*

What is Apostolic Succession?—The line in which the Ministry of the Church is handed on from age to age by the laying on of hands by Bishops; the corporate lineage of the Christian Clergy. The continuity of the Church appears, not only in the unbroken succession of her Ministry from the Apostles, but also in her Apostolic institutions and Sacraments, which she has preserved in their integrity from the beginning; her Apostolic form of worship or Liturgy (Acts 1-42), which is preserved with the same fundamental outline which it had in primitive days in every true Communion the Church throughout the world.

What is Meant by the Apostolicity of the Church?—The meaning of the word "Apostolic" as applied to the Church is that the Church has mission, that it is authoritatively sent. Mission was given by our Lord to the Apostles: "As My Father hath sent Me, even so I send you." The Apostles gave it to those whom they ordained.

The Pastoral Epistles show a regularly organized method of handling on the

apostolic succession (1 S. Tim. iii, 1-12; 144, 22).

The necessity of mission, including the continuity of episcopal succession from the Apostles, is part of the historical teaching of the Church. It is the common doctrine of the early writers of the Church that there are distinctly Christian gifts which are to be found where there is an episcopal ministry descended from the Apostles.

Holy Communion, Who Should Partake?—To come to the Lord's Supper is simply to come to Jesus Christ; to come to Him in the way of His appointment; to come to Him in the way arranged for us by Himself in view of His departure from the earth and Ascension to Heaven. It is this Holy and Blessed Communion with our Saviour which has been perverted and changed into a badge of distinction among brother Christians and a sign of superiority.

What are the qualifications required in him who would approach the Table of the Lord? I reply, simply those which were required to approach His Person when He dwelt in Judea; simply those which are required to approach His Person when we must give in our account at the Last Day.

Who then were fitted for His company and His personal, visible communion when He was on the earth? Regarded in themselves, none. But was their unfitness, was their unworthiness, a cause for their keeping away from Him? Why, brethren, what idea could be more monstrous? What more effectual to prevent the salvation of souls? And it is my firm conviction that this notion has been suggested and fostered by Satan himself, as a sure way of keeping men from their Saviour. It was not the world that loved him first; but He that loved the world. He came to a race sunk in trespasses and sins. He came announcing that His mission was not to the just, but to sinners. Suppose that any one of those who needed Him most, had kept away from Him through a feeling of unworthiness. What mistake could have been more fatal? Their need of His help was their strongest claim on His favorable notice. They all understood this. Everybody understood this. No one who looked at

Christ one instant could fail to see it at a glance. And what was the consequence? Why, that they all flocked to Him at once. They came just as they were; in their sins, in their sickness, in their unutterable perplexities, discouragements and sorrows. The lame made shift to crawl towards Him; the blind strained their sightless balls in the direction where they knew there was light to be had for the asking; the foul leper perceived that he, the very outcast from among men and the refuse of the earth, could go to that One without fear of a repulse. Their infirmities, so far from keeping them away, were the certain passport to His Presence.

Ye who have never yet come to the Holy Communion, think rightly of that blessed ordinance. It is the Communion with Jesus Christ. To come to it is simply to come to Him. Perfection is not required in the communicant as a condition: it is by that sacrament that he is to attain perfection. Deep spirituality is not to have been previously attained; it is in that sacrament that the spiritual life is to be developed. Entire cleanness from sin is not a prerequisite; for it is to the very Saviour of sinners that the receiver draws near. But these three things only are needed of him who would commune: A hearty sorrow that he is a sinner; a firm faith that Christ can forgive his sins and cleanse from all uncleanness; a sincere wish to receive those blessings and to lead a godly, righteous and sober life. And these are the conditions on which the Holy Communion becomes indeed a savior of life. Thus saith the Church: "Ye who do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the Commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in His holy ways, draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort." This is what the Church requires Lord required of those who came to Him in communicants, because this is what the Church required of those who came to Him when He dwelt on earth: a hearty sorrow an honest intention, a firm faith. Without these none may become a communicant; without these none may be saved.—*Dr. Dix.*

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The Every Member Campaign For Personal Service

To be held in Every Parish throughout
the Diocese of Pennsylvania

WHAT IT IS and WHAT IT PROPOSES

To enlist Every Member of the
Church for Prayer, Service
and Giving, in Winning the
World for
CHRIST

Object.

To engage the interest and co-operation of Every Member through PRAYER, SERVICE and GIVING in fulfilling the Church's Mission; the word MISSION being used in the larger sense as meaning the work God has given us to do. This work will be considered on a threefold basis:

1. The Work of the Parish.
2. The Work of the Diocese.
3. The World-wide Work of the Church.

Reasons for Making the Campaign Now

1. Because the people of the Church have been stirred by the war to broader interests and higher ambitions, and this becomes an opportunity to unite their recently aroused service and sacrifices with a new zeal for the world program of the Church.

2. Because the future of the world depends to an unusual extent upon our making real in the lives of both men and nations the essential principles of Christianity.

A Campaign of Education

It is believed that the fact that only one-third of the members of the Church are actively interested in some branch of Church work is due to lack of information as to the nature, need, extent and blessing of such work. It is proposed, therefore, to have a Campaign of Education, extending from the First Sunday in Lent, March 9th, to March 30th. There will be

1. *A Parish Week*, beginning Sunday, March 9th, during which services will be held in every parish with the object of bringing to the attention of every member the different local needs for service, and the opportunities for rendering that service afforded by the various agencies of each parochial organization.

A great Parish Meeting will be in Christ Church Parish House on *Wednesday Evening*, of the week, March 12, when all Societies of the Parish will report. *It is urged every member of the Parish be present at this Parish Meeting.*

2. *A Diocesan Week*, beginning Sunday, March 16th. The Rev. George L. Richardson, Vicar of the Diocesan Church, Philadelphia, will speak in Christ Church on that Sunday evening.

Meetings for the members of all Germantown Churches will be held during this week in St. Luke's Parish House, (Main and Coulter Streets), on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at eight o'clock. The object of these meetings will be to discuss the various charities and institutions of the Diocese and vividly depict, with pictures and charts, the work, needs and opportunities in the Diocese. The Rev. Mr. Richardson will be the leader. Bishop Rhineland will preside on Wednesday evening.

3. *A World-wide Week*, beginning Sunday, March 23rd.

Meetings will be held in St. Luke's Parish House on *Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday* afternoons at 4.15 for members of all the Church Schools in Germantown.

On *Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings*, meetings for adult members of all the Germantown Churches. These meetings will be in charge of the Rt. Rev. Henry J. Mikell, D.D., Bishop of Atlanta.

Thursday evening, a great Missionary Meeting for the whole Diocese will be held in the Metropolitan Opera House, Broad and Poplar Streets. The meeting will be addressed by the Rev. Robert E. Patton, D.D., and other distinguished speakers on the *World Wide Mission of the Church*.

4. *Friday evening* a reception will be given to all the Germantown Parish Com-

mittees, in St. Luke's Parish House at eight o'clock.

The Every Member Canvass

On Sunday, March 30th, it is planned to have a visitation of all the homes in the diocese, for the purpose of securing from every member a pledge of Prayer, Service and Giving for the work of the Church. A Parish Committee, consisting of representatives of all the organizations of the Parish, has been appointed by the Rector to visit the members of Christ Church. The chairman of the Committee is Mr. Richard H. Morris.

Automobiles will be secured to assist in this work. Will persons in the parish who have automobiles, kindly offer them to the Chairman of the Committee for use on that day?

When members of the Committee call at the homes of our parishioners the Rector is sure that they will receive a hearty and sympathetic welcome and a co-operation on the part of every member of the Church.

They go out in Christ's name, and in unselfish and devoted service for the extension of Christ's Kingdom on earth, and in this same spirit they will be received and welcomed by all.

Corporate Communion.

On the Sunday of the Every Member Canvas, March 30th, there will be a *Corporate Communion* at 7.30 A. M. for the members of the committee and all parishioners of Christ Church. At the eleven o'clock service all members of the committee will be commissioned by the Rector to go out into the Parish in *Christ's name and for Christ's sake*.

In the afternoon the committee will assemble in the Parish House at two o'clock sharp, to receive their lists and final instructions. They will leave the Parish House at two-thirty for their visitations. At five-thirty they will report to the Secretary at the Parish House.

The Final Service, Sunday Evening.

On Sunday evening will be held in Christ Church, the final service of the Campaign. At that time the Committee of the Parish will report to the congregation the result of their canvas.

There will be a special service of Intercession, and of Praise and Thanksgiving.

WHEN THE NATION CALLED

They who responded were

PATRIOTS

They who shirked were

SLACKERS

They who enlisted and left the ranks were

DESERTERS

Those who failed through fear were

COWARDS

They who opposed the fight were

TRAITORS

The Master Calls



In which Class are YOU?

Prayers for the Every Member Campaign.

Lord of all power and might, who rulest in heaven and in earth, and canst turn the hearts of men after the counsel of Thine own will; we humbly pray Thee to awaken in all the members of our Parish a deep desire to maintain and set forward the work of Thy Kingdom through-

out the world, that Thy Holy Name may be glorified and that all men everywhere may come to know Thee as their Father, through Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast promised Thy presence and power to all who obey Thy command to tell the nations of Thy love, bless we pray Thee our efforts to strengthen and extend the work of our Parish. To all who shall take any part in our plans give wisdom and zeal. Bind our people in a closer fellowship. If any have grown careless, help us to lead them back to Thy house that their love for Thee may be renewed. Teach us to pray, labor and give more faithfully for the extension of Thy Kingdom among men. Of Thy mercy we ask this, O Blessed Saviour of the world, who livest and reignest with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O Eternal God, who hast committed unto me the swift and solemn trust of life, since I know not what a day may bring forth, but only that the hour for serving Thee is always present; grant that I may give myself with a ready will to make Thy way known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Teach me, my Father, by Thine infinite love for me and for all men, to love those whom I have not seen, but with whom I may share the good things Thou hast entrusted to me: that the coming of Thy Kingdom may be hastened, and the sorrow of the world be relieved, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

"Whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven." St. Matthew 10: 32, 33.

Have you been baptized? If not, why not?

Have you been confirmed? If not, why not?

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for March.

2. Quinquagesima Sunday.
5. Ash Wednesday.
9. First Sunday in Lent.
16. Second Sunday in Lent.
23. Third Sunday in Lent.
25. Annunciation Blessed Virgin Mary.
30. Fourth Sunday in Lent.

Confirmation Lectures.

The Rector will begin a course of lectures on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church" on Friday evening, March 7th, at eight o'clock, (for adults), and on Sunday afternoon, March 9th, at four o'clock.

These lectures will be held in the Parish House weekly on the above evenings and afternoons, until the Bishop's Visitation, Maundy Thursday evening, April 17th.

All persons, both confirmed and unconfirmed, are invited to attend these lectures.

Persons, who wish to be confirmed, are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to confer with any on the subject after Sunday service, or by appointment.

Services in Lent.

Ash Wednesday.
Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office, Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service 8.00 P. M.
Every Afternoon, (except Wednesday)
Evening Prayer (short address) 4.30 P. M.
Wednesdays.
Litany, Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon* 8.00 P. M.
(Subject of Sermons, "The Seven Deadly Sins.")

Sundays

Holy Communion, Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon 7.45 P. M.
Church Schools (Parish House) 9.45 A. M.
Bible Classes 9.45 A. M.

Women's Bible Class 3.00 P. M.
Confirmation Instruction (Parish House) Friday Evenings (adults) 8.00 P. M.
Sunday afternoons (minors) 4 P. M.

Services in Holy Week.

Holy Communion,
Daily (except Good Friday) 7.30 A. M.
Every Afternoon (except Good Friday)
Scriptural Readings on the Sacred Events of each Day 4.30 P. M.
Wednesday.
Litany, Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Sermon 8.00 P. M.
Maundy Thursday
Confirmation 7.45 P. M.
Communicants' Service, Preparatory for the Easter Communion, (Bishop of the Diocese) 8.30 P. M.
Good Friday
Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora 10.30 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross 12-3 P. M.
(The Rev. C. Sydney Goodman)
Easter Day
Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, 11.00 A. M.
Church Schools, Easter Carol Service 7.30 P. M.

Lent—A Privilege.

What can be said to stir up in your minds an appreciation of the privileges and of the spiritual helpfulness of a well-kept Lent?

The Church calls us to "come apart for a while", give serious thought to our life in its threefold relation to God, to self, to neighbor, and graciously appoints this quiet season that we may tune our minds and hearts to receive the message of God.

Our Lord withdrew Himself for forty days, gave Himself to fasting and prayer in preparation for His work. Are we, His servants, greater than our Master? Do not we need to learn, through self-discipline, how to control our bodies? Do not we need to learn how to pray "with the spirit and the understanding also?"

It is not argument that we need. We know all these things theoretically. What

we want is practice, experience. Lent gives the opportunity for this.

Have you in the past tried to be obedient children of the Church? If you have, you know the blessedness of that obedience. If not, then will you not seek that happiness this Lent?

If the rules of the Church in regard to Fasts have no meaning, neither have those regarding Feasts. We gladly keep the Feasts; as willingly should we keep the Fasts.

Neither abstinence nor self-denial is an end, but a means to an end. More time for God, less time for self. More time for those who need our prayers, our help, less time for selfish pleasure. More to give for God and His Church, less for that which is only for personal gratification.

Will you not try to make this Lent of real and lasting help, first, by your personal consecration and private acts of devotion; second, by attendance at every public service possible? Then your Easter offering will be that of yourselves, your "souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice," as you receive your Living, Risen and Ascended Lord in your Easter Communion. Then you will know Him as your Emmanuel, He dwelling in you and you in Him.

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Some Suggestions for Lent.

1. Be present as far as possible, at every service of the Church. The benefit will be to others as well as to yourself.

2. Make your Communion more frequently and with a more definite purpose and preparation.

3. Read the Scriptures regularly and meditate upon what you read. Too many treat the Bible as a book of the past.

4. Pray until prayer becomes a habit, turning to God at all times as naturally as the flower turns to the sun.

5. Keep a strict watch over the door of your lips this Lent. If you cannot speak well of others, say nothing.

6. Deny yourself some luxury and add the cost of it to your Easter offering. The cost of self-denial should be *given*, not saved.

7. Refrain from entertainments and places of public amusement. "Love dis-

sipated upon many objects concentrates itself upon none."

8. Let self examination be a daily duty. It is not a question of where you stand, but *whither* you are moving.

9. Be regular in your attendance to whatever guild or society you belong. *Nominal* membership counts for nothing save as a discouragement to others and a discredit to yourself.

10. Make your *Lent positive*, not merely negative. Undertake some practical work for good, and carry it through.

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Paying and Giving.

We ought to make a distinction between paying and giving. Then the paying of money would go in general for our parish needs and expenses, such as the support of the clergy, the sexton and the choir, the provision of a suitable church building, and the heat and light and equipment necessary to make our church home clean and comfortable and reverent. The giving of money would be so left for charities and benevolences and missions. The paying would be done for our own spiritual health and growth, as paying to schools is done for intellectual health and growth, and to grocers and butchers for our physical health and growth. And, as no self-respecting person wants another to pay gratuitously for the schooling of his children or for the table supplies of himself and family, so each and every one in the Church or parish should have the self-respect and honest pride to want to bear his or her own share of the parish expenses. The provision for these expenses should be arranged for in a plain, business way, either by pew renting or by subscriptions carefully secured. The income so provided should be collected in a business way and put into and paid out from the parish treasury. When all this paying is provided for in a business way, then giving begins. If the paying is done cheerfully and honorably and to the full, all the offerings in church can go for charities, benevolences and missions.

This is the truth for which the Bishop of West Virginia contends. He says: "When we pay the pastor for the care of our spiritual life is it any more a giving

than when we pay the doctor for the care and cure of our physical life? When we pay for the music ministering to our higher tastes in reverence any more than when we pay the painter or the sculptor ministering to higher tastes in the adornment of our homes? The plain business methods called for, the business rentals, business subscriptions, business collections and business payments, were best, all of them, kept out of the church. Giving, then, could be indeed unto the Lord. "All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given unto Thee!" They would be gifts to Him and for His poor, His sick, His ignorant ones, His missionary kingdom. If this distinction could be so adopted and the real giving could be so practised, it might go far to solve the difficulty besetting our subject of missions."

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How She Knew.

Miss Blunt—"There was a man in church this morning who looked exactly like you."

Mr. Close—"How do you know it wasn't I?"

Miss Blunt—"Oh, I saw him put a dollar bill in the contribution box."—Boston Transcript.

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You Ought To Be Confirmed.

A number of persons in the congregation, who ought to be confirmed, have not, as yet, given their names to the Rector. They ought not to put it off. They should not be "slackers." They owe a solemn allegiance to Jesus Christ and His Church. It is their duty to their family, to themselves, their Church and their God. They have been hesitating—putting it off for years. Each year it becomes more difficult to say "I will." Some day it will be "too late."

Will not every man and woman in this vicinity, who is desirous of leading a better life, who would seek "those things which are above" and would be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, come to the Rector and talk the matter over with him. The Rector is most anxious to help any one who wants to come. Now is the time. "Whosoever will—let him come!"

The Sunday School.

A St. Valentine's party of the Sunday School was called for Friday night, February 14, 1919 at 8. This night was hoped to be a good night of fun for the Sunday School. The new members' campaign honor roll has obtained about 12 or 14 names, and with the oncoming of this Every Member Campaign, we hope to fill this roll and start another. Every Sunday-scholar on their toes, and keep a sharp lookout for new members and we think we can keep the printer busy.

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Boy Scouts.

We wish to call the boys of the Parish and neighborhood to the troop which meets in our Gym. every Monday night at 7.45 o'clock. Every boy over 14 years of age is invited to visit and join this troop lead by Mr. George Bodine. Later on we hope to give more facts regarding the troop. R. C.

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If every member were just like me?"

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Subscribers to the Chimes.

Will not every one who has not subscribed to the "Chimes," please do so at once?

Fifty-five dollars more is needed to meet the expenses of publication, etc. The "Chimes" is distributed freely throughout the congregation, and all are invited to take copies, but the expense of publication must be met, and it is hoped that all will send in their subscription. Contributions are also solicited from those who feel so disposed.

Since the last issue suscriptions and contributions have been received from the following: Miss Sophia Gebhard, Mr. McGill, Mrs. Arthur Thacher, Mrs. Mary Miller, Mrs. Sickel.

Price of subscription, fifty cents, and contributions may be sent to the Rector or to Robert Carnian, 6373 Sherman St.

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Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild held a regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, February 10th.

Plans were made for the annual supper which will take place the 18th of this month.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

- February 21st-27th: Misses Dean, Falkner, M. Thompson.
- March 1st-7th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson.
- March 7th-14th: Misses Chase, Alexander, Wookloff.
- March 14th-21st: Misses Mogridge, Gerhard, Wisner.

Woman's Auxiliary.

A very interesting meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Parish House on Thursday, July 6th. It was gratifying to see the large number in attendance. The meeting was addressed by Miss Carmel and W. H. Jefferies, sometime medical missionary in China. Afternoon tea was served. On Thursday morning, March 27th, a meeting will be held, when reports of committees will be received and a special speaker will be present. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance at this meeting. The members of the auxiliary will sew for the City Mission during Lent. All women of the Parish are invited to unite in this work.

Chrift.

Or why Some People leave Church Before the End of the Service.
"I was glad to see you at church last Sunday," said the Rector. "Ay," replied Tommy, "and that sermon o' yours on 'Thrift' had a great effect on me, Rector." "I am very glad to hear it," replied the Rector. "And how did it effect you?" Tommy shook his head knowingly. "I recnt cut before the collection was taken!"
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The Junior Brotherhood.

The Junior Brotherhood has been partially crippled in its working ranks by losing one of its very best workers, namely, Fred Beiheld, who has left for Boarding School. Although Fred did not hold any position he is the only fellow we had from Mr. Garity's Chapter.

At a building-up-meeting of the chapter held at Mr. Leung's house we had 13 members present. We have not been going more than three months now, and with a start of 5 we have now reached 13. At this meeting VanDusen led; his topic was the parables on the lost sheep and the coin. After a business meeting we had a good time for about an hour, and then went home. But every member left with the feeling that the Brotherhood had a special appeal for every one.

On Wednesday night, February the 12th, the chapter will meet Mr. Randall, who is Secretary for the Brotherhood all over the United States. We hope at this short meeting, which will be held before the Bible Class banquet, that Mr. Randall will point out for us, definitely, our future work. After this meeting we will go down to the banquet 100 per cent strong.

With fourteen good earnest fellows, the parish will begin to see some change. We hope to aid the Sunday School and help to provide a grand time for all.

Watch and help us and we will make the best Junior Chapter in the city.

R. Carmel, Secy.

Contributions to the Chimes.

So far the contributions have not been nearly adequate enough to pay for the numerous expenses of the paper. This paper connects every member of the church, Sunday School and other organizations. It is helpful and needed; why not support it?

Some may say why should I subscribe or contribute when I can get a copy each month for nothing? In answer to this, just stop and think. How does the Parish get this paper? Certainly not for nothing! Then since every member contributes to the Parish, why not pay for its paper. A subscription is 50 cents, which should be sent to Robert Carmel, 6373 Sherman Street, Germantown, Pa.

The Girl Scouts.

The Girl Scouts, Troop 119, are still an active part of the life of our Parish. We have charge of the Mothers' Meeting, were both presented with bonbon dishes by the members. This was a pleasant surprise to the ladies and was much appreciated.

We record, with sorrow, the death of one of our oldest members, Mrs. Buckley, who passed away on Wednesday, February 12th. Mrs. Buckley has been a member of the meeting for many years, and until the last year, was regular in attendance. She died at the ripe old age of ninety-nine years. She will be greatly missed.

The funeral was held in Christ Church on Saturday morning, February 15th, and she was buried in Chelton Hills Cemetery.

News from our Enlisted Members.

The Patriotic Committee of Christ Church has been keeping in touch with the members of the parish who have been in the country's service. Several letters have been sent to each one of them and they were sent remembrances from their home Church at Christmas time. The words of appreciation which have been received have been most gratifying. The Committee has done most effective service to our enlisted members—men and women—the total number from this parish being 78,—most of whom are still abroad.

Replies have been recently received from the following members: Henry Randal Barmore, Jr., Edward Case, Charles Connelly, William S. Crowder, Richard H. Gurley, Edward Kegan, Miss Olive G. Kirkland, Miss Julia M. Lincoln, Louis W. McGill, Henry S. Kitler, Stanley V. Wilcox, Norman Waldman, Lewis Thompson.

It is to be regretted that lack of space in the Chimes will not permit these letters to be published in full. All of them are most interesting and are full of appreciation of "letters from home." The following are excerpts from a few letters. One member writes: "In looking over the list of enlisted members from Christ Church, I know pretty nearly all the fellows, and I am proud of my Church. I contributed 'spicy selections.'"

Mothers' Meeting.

Twenty-two happy people sat down at the dinner given to the Mothers' Meeting on Tuesday afternoon, February 3rd. The dinner was served to the mothers by the ladies in charge. Mrs. Charles Eberle, as guest of the meeting, entertained the mothers in a most delightful way by giving several recitations. It was a great privilege to have Mrs. Eberle at the meeting. Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Naegle and Mrs. Case, members of the meeting, contributed "spicy selections."

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T. L. C.

know this that Christ Church certainly looks after her members and has treated the boys "fine." I am always glad to hear from the Church. I must honestly admit that I wasn't a very steady member of Christ Church, but after I saw how they treated me, you can just bet I will be at Christ Church as often as I can get there after I return, and I am proud to be a member of Christ Church and to have such a Rector as Mr. Arndt has been to me."

Another writes: "Mother wrote me told me of your visit to our home and it does me good to know that you are so much interested in me, and that I am remembered in the prayers at Christ Church. * * I never forget the Bible Class and the Church, as my prayers are for both. The Prayer Book you gave me the night I left, finds a place in my pocket so I can have it with me always and I try to read some part of it each day; not every day, as there were days I did not get time to wash. * * Since I come into the army I have remembered what you told me and have tried to live a good, clean, manly life. I have not been perfect and have "done many things I ought not to have done," but I am still on the job to overcome my faults. * * On Easter Sunday I walked six miles to a French Church and received communion. * * We have had services outside, in the forests, mess halls or anywhere, and I know that our prayers were heard as well there as in a great big church. We have just left Verdun and it is sad to see the great cathedral in ruins. * * Mr. Arndt, please keep the Bible Class going, as we will all be home soon and that is very dear to me. Remember me to all the men of the class. How I long to be in dear old Christ Church again!"

Another writes: "I received your Christmas remembrance. I am, of course, thinking a great deal of Philadelphia at this time, and especially of home and Christ Church. How I wish I could be there to sit with mother in our pew on Christmas morning. I shall be there in spirit on that day!"

Another writes: "Have done some traveling since I last saw you and seen something which I long to tell you. * * I shall make for Christ Church as soon as I get back. France is all right, but give me Philly!"

Here is an optimistic letter: "Just a few lines to let you know that I am often thinking of you and Christ Church, and have not forgotten either. In fact, I often think of the many pleasant evenings spent together at the Men's Bible Class, and the interest you have always taken in me. I am at present connected with the North Bombing Squadron of Naval Air Force, stationed on the outskirts of Paillac. Our camp is an example of American efficiency, the barracks sanitary, hammocks spotless, and the mess-hall a wonder; airy, roomy and clean; in fact better than I found it in the States. Have not one complaint to offer and am mighty well satisfied. Cannot hand the natives much credit; they lack the "pep" of the Americans; they all seem half asleep or dazed. Of course, I must not judge the whole country by a few people. * * Compared to the good old U. S. A., the whole country is years behind; I never realized what a wonderful country ours is, until this chance for comparison. Why! Just for the sake of living in and being a citizen of the U. S. A. is worth fighting for in itself, and I am sure proud to call myself an American. * * Closing with my deepest regards and assuring you that I will try my hardest to be worthy of yours, and with my best wishes to the men of the Christ Church Bible Class."

One of the old standbys writes: "I can't tell you how much I am enjoying life over here. I am fat and saucy, as usual, but not lazy. * * It seemed rather unusual not to be decorating good old Christ Church on Christmas Eve this year; I thought of you all and feel sure that the new blood did better than we older fellows. If I was not there in flesh, I was, at least, with you in spirit then—and on Christmas Day!"

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
6.00 to 8.00 P. M.

To All Communicants.

Holy Week draws near, and I am anxious to say a few words to the Communicants in the Parish and all who have been confirmed. We surely do not wish to let this sacred season of Lent pass without an earnest effort to gain some new impulse in the way of better living. We cannot let the story of the Redeemer's sufferings and death be told again without the desire to enter more fully into the meaning, and to know that it was for us He died upon the cross.

Let me speak personally to each communicant. There are some who are earnestly striving to serve Christ as their Redeemer and Master, and who are faithful unto Him day after day, year after year. But oh! what of the "others?" There are many, far too many, who have become dead to religion and to all its blessed privileges and obligations. There are *Communicants*, so called, who have so far strayed away from their Church and neglected its services that they no longer feel the need of the Blessed Sacrament of the Holy Communion, which formerly was the source of so much comfort and strength to their lives. My dear friends, before you have become spiritually atrophied, I beseech you in God's name to arouse yourselves from this spiritual lethargy into which, perhaps without realizing it, you have fallen.

The blessed season of Lent is almost gone! Holy Week is here! Your Saviour, with arms outstretched upon the cross, pleads for your return! "Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by?" My friends, He comes very near to us at this time and offers us the way of drawing very near to Him. Put away everything that keeps you from Him! Hear Him! Learn the lesson of the Cross!

Prepare with the greatest care for your Easter Communion. Do not come to it as a matter of course, but only after the most serious examination of your lives and sincerest purpose and resolution of amendment. Seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit that you may know yourself, your sins and weakness, and that you may receive the grace He is always ready to bestow. Make faithful use of Holy Week and its services. Try to arrange your affairs so that you will have time to dwell in reverend meditation on the closing scenes of the Saviour's life as they bring us day by day nearer to His Cross. Put away as far as possible the thoughts of other things, and devote yourselves to the contemplation of His love, His sacrifice and to the firm resolve to know Him in the days to come.

There are others in the Congregation who are half hearted in their Christian life, who are making no progress in Christian character, and some who are absorbed with the cares and pleasures of

this life. They once acknowledged Christ as their Master, and made a solemn vow to learn of Him and to do His will, but have adopted other standards and motives of conduct than His commandments. They are in Church at times, but not regularly, and rarely do they come to the Holy Communion. They allow *trivial reasons* to keep them away and offer excuses which in their hearts they know are lies before God. These are symptoms of a serious condition of their religious life. Are you, who read this, one of them?

Then will you not come back with your whole heart to Him Whose you are and Whom you should serve with all your powers? It is the Saviour Who died for you Who calls you. Dear friend, ~~make Holy Week the time for our return.~~ It offers a definite opportunity. It urges you with the appeals of the Redeemer's Cross. ~~I beseech you, Turn away from your life of indifference, come home again to a Saviour's love, prepare to receive the Holy Communion, that most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and blood of Christ.~~

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Holy Week.

The shadows deepen! Our Saviour is on His way to Calvary!

During this Holy Week we turn our thoughts to the closing scenes in our Lord's earthly life. His triumphant entry on Palm Sunday into the City that He loves and follows Him each day as He slowly wends His way along the *Via Gacia* up to the Mount of Calvary.

I am sure that every Christian heart in this parish will yearn to be close to Jesus during these last holy days.

The services have been so arranged for Holy Week that every one may attend at least one service each day.

Every afternoon at 4.30 there will be the usual Meditative Readings on the Sacred Events of each day, with appropriate hymns. There will be no choir. The service will be very simple and quiet, befitting the solemn last days of our Lord's life.

The daily Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 (from Monday to

Thursday inclusive) will afford our people an opportunity to begin each day in a service of dedication.

Cannot business people arrange to be present at this Service before going to their daily occupations?

It will mean so much to all!

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"Sweet the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the cross I spend;
Life and health and peace possessing
Through the sinner's dying friend.

Here I kneel in wonder, viewing
Mercy poured in streams of blood;
Precious drops for pardon suing,
Make and plead my peace with God."

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It Is Not Too Late To Join the Confirmation Class.

The Rector will be pleased to meet any one in the congregation, who has not given his or her name to him to be confirmed. It is not too late; but soon will be!

The Rector may be seen after any service or by appointment and he will be glad to meet any one who wishes to speak to him on the subject of Confirmation. It is not yet too late!!

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Easter Communion.

Every one, of course,—every one who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to do so, will, of course, attend Divine Service on *Easter Day!* It would be worse than foolish even to suggest that any Christian will remain away from His Father's House on Easter Day. Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book which says, "Every Parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian soul, who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with Jesus on that great Day, joining in the triumphal song "Christ is Risen from the Dead and become the first fruits of them that slept!"

Every member of the Church will devote these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.

Confirmation Service.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese, will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 117th. The Confirmation Service will be held at 7.45 o'clock.

Immediately after the Confirmation, the Bishop will conduct a Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion. All are cordially invited to this service.

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What Is Confirmation?

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts viii, xix and Heb. vi) has ever been continued by the Church as 1st, the renewal of the Baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite practiced from the time of the Apostles and endorsed by the fathers of the church.

A. D. 180. Tertullian:—"After Baptism, —then the Imposition of Hands."

A. D. 250. Cyprian:—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome:—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The Prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from this period. From this time on to the present there can not be any doubt concerning Confirmation or *The Laying on of Hands by the Bishop* being a Ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and therefore went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptism Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substitut-

ed unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, Sept. 25, 1742.

Congregational Testimony—"The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."—Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years—shows clearly that the Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a Mother over her baptized children."—Committee of Gen Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. "Such imposition, I highly approve, and wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition."—John Calvin.

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New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers.

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all who wish to subscribe through the Envelope System. Former subscribers, who are now pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews; others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order, on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign name and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information please apply, after any service, to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, or by addressing the Warden at 328 South Third St.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodruff, (1901) Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

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Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Calendar for April.

6. Fifth Sunday in Lent.
13. Palm Sunday.
17. Maundy Thursday.
18. GOOD FRIDAY.
19. Easter Even.
20. EASTER DAY.
21. Monday in Easter.
22. Tuesday in Easter.
25. St. Mark.
27. First Sunday after Easter.



The Every Member Campaign.

The "Every Member Campaign," which is still in progress throughout this Diocese, as the Chimes goes to press, has been entered into enthusiastically by the members of Christ Church. The committees of men and women have been visiting the members of the Parish during the past three weeks, with the purpose of enlisting all in a campaign of Prayer, Service and Giving. The response on the part of the people of Christ Church has been most encouraging.

At the Parish Meeting, held in the Parish House, Wednesday evening, March 12th, the gymnasium was filled to overflowing with interested parishioners who gathered to hear reports of the various societies in the Parish and to enlist in some form of parish activity.

Reports were received from the following societies:

Altar Guild reported by Mrs. H. R. Baremore.

Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew, reported by Charles H. Jackson.

Junior Brotherhood, St. Andrew, reported by Frederick Lennig.

Daughters of the King reported by Mrs. Charles Cotton.

Girls' Friendly Society reported by Miss Dorothy Rowland.

Woman's Auxiliary reported by Mrs. J. I. Morrison.

Junior Auxiliary reported by Gertrude H. Belfield.

Choir reported by Owen J. Burness.

Choir Guild reported by Mrs. Richard P. Mogridge.

Men's Bible Class reported by Frank Mauser.

Women's Bible Class reported by Mrs. H. R. Baremore.

Boys' Scouts reported by George I. Bodine.

Mothers' Meeting reported by Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt.

The Sunday School reported by Richard H. Morris.

The Christ Church Chimes reported by Robert Carmint.

Church Periodical Club reported by Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt, for Mrs. Topliffe Johnson.

The Vestry reported by J. I. Morrison.

The report of the societies showed a need of *more workers*. Some of the societies are handicapped for want of leaders or officers. There is opportunity for every one who is willing to enlist in some department of Parish work, and an earnest appeal is made for all to show their willingness *at once*. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

The final event of the Every Member Campaign will be on Sunday, March 30, when an Every Member Canvass will be made by the committees in charge, calling upon every member in the Parish, asking every member for co-operation in "Prayer, Service and Giving."

The splendid spirit which has been shown throughout the Parish in the "Every Member Campaign" has been most encouraging to the committee in charge.

When the members of the Committee call at the homes of our parishioners the Rector is sure that they will receive a hearty and sympathetic welcome and a co-operation on the part of every member of the Church.

They go out in Christ's name, and in unselfish and devoted service for the extension of Christ's Kingdom on earth, and in this same spirit they will be received and welcomed by all.

CORPORATE COMMUNION.

On the Sunday of the Every Member Canvass, March 30th, there will be a *Corporate Communion* at 7.30 A. M. for the members of the committee and all parishioners of Christ Church. At the eleven o'clock service all members of the committee will be commissioned by the Rector to go out into the Parish in

Christ's name and for Christ's sake

THE FINAL SERVICE, SUNDAY EVENING.

On Sunday evening will be held in Christ Church, the final service of the Campaign. At that time the Committee of the Parish will report to the congregation the result of their canvas.

There will be a special service of Intercession, and of Praise and Thanksgiving.



Revision of the Parish Register.

It is very important that the Parish Register of Christ Church shall contain the names and correct addresses of all members of the Parish.

Will all persons, who have recently moved into the parish and have not yet presented their letters of transfer from their former Rector, please do so at once? And will all who have moved away from Germantown, and cannot longer attend the services of Christ Church, please secure from the Rector their letter, so that he may transfer them to the Rector of the Church where they are attending?

The canons of the Church require every Rector to report annually to the Bishop the communicant membership of his Parish.

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Holy Week Services.

HOLY COMMUNION.

Daily (except Good Friday and Saturday), 7.30 A. M.

Also Wednesday, 9.30 A. M.

MEDITATIVE READINGS (On the Sacred Events of Each Day.)

Daily, 1.30 P. M.

EVENING SERVICE (Litany, Penitential Office and Address.)

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 8.00 P. M.

CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNICANTS' SERVICE

Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., Bishop Suffragan of Pennsylvania, 7.45 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE, PRO-ANAPHORA AND ADDRESS, 10.30 A. M.

THREE HOUR MEDITATION ON THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS, 12 M.—3 P. M.

Lead by the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman.

EASTER EVEN.

EVENING PRAYER—Infant Baptism,—4.30 P. M.

EASTER DAY.

HOLY COMMUNION, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
MORNING PRAYER, (Shortened Form)
HOLY COMMUNION, SERMON, 11 A. M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE, 7.30 P. M.



The Rev. Arnold Harris Hood will assist the Rector at all services on Easter Day. It is a great pleasure to the Rector to have Rev. Mr. Hood with him in the chancel of Christ Church. Mr. Hood was curate in Christ Church to the former Rector, the Rev. John B. Falkner, twenty-seven years ago. His many friends are glad to welcome him back to Christ Church, where he began his ministry and where he is still greatly beloved.



Three Hour Service on Good Friday.

The Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, Pa.

It is requested that persons shall be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering at this service is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms

plates will be found at the doors. An excerpt from a letter from the Bishop reads:

"I would remind you of the appropriateness of asking the offerings on Good Friday for the Mission among the Jewish people. Since by the action of the last Convention this work in Philadelphia was put on the Diocesan Budget, any money given to our own committee will apply on the Parish apportionment."



Services on Easter Day.

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer (shortened form)

Holy Communion, 11.00 A. M.

Sunday School Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.



Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

It is earnestly hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church will allow himself to remain away from the Holy Communion on Easter Day, unless Providentially hindered, but will so thoroughly prepare himself during the remaining day of Lent that he may come worthily to meet his Risen Saviour, "reckoning himself to be dead indeed unto sin; but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."



Our Easter Offering.

Our Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was

the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall chose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16:16.)

If this was the custom in Old Testament times how more abundantly and gladly should the Christian pour out his heart to God in thanksgiving on Easter Day.

Whilst I am very anxious that the full amount asked for by the Vestry shall be realized this Easter, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from all, from every man, woman and child, and that it shall be an expression of deep, true Christian devotion according as God hath blessed each one of us.



A Legacy to Christ Church.

By the will of the late Mrs. Ellen Craig, a faithful communicant, and a member of this parish for the past five years, who died at her home on Boyer Street, this month, a bequest of two thousand dollars was made to Christ Church.

There were no conditions to the bequest.



The Happiest Life.

"Easter Day, rightly considered, makes the religious life the happiest of all lives and insists upon our always treating it as such. For the happiest of all conditions is that in which one is the partial possessor already of a hope that promises its own completion. The child's life is so very happy because it already has enough of the real, conscious manly character in it to prophesy more for itself. And the true man never outgrows the child's joyousness, because he keeps always a future before him of what he is to be, suggested, promised, and in part realized by what he already is. The two

unhappy and joyless conditions would be, one the utter absence of hope, and the other the possession of a hope that was only hope, that had no real existence in the present. So a religion that opened no eternity, or a religion that offered no beginning of eternal life until the other world was reached—either of them would be unhappy, one with despondency, the other with restlessness at the postponement of the soul's worthiest ambitions."—Phillips Brooks.

Election of Vestrymen.

The annual election of Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, Monday, April 21st, between the hours of five and six P. M.

The terms of the following members of the Vestry expire this year: Richard H. Morris, O. N. Middleton, George T. Morgan, J. M. Woodroffe. Four Vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three years.

The following excerpt is from the By-laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article I, Section 8. "Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sunday prior to the holding of such election, and no person so nominated shall be a candidate."

(Charter of Incorporation, Article 6.)

"The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Such elections shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year, between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide; and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of this Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance

for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period.

Junior Brotherhood St. Andrew.

The response of the boys of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew to the work of the Church and Parish has been wonderfully encouraging.

From a beginning of six members some three months ago we have advanced to 14 live, active members, ever ready and willing to do the work assigned to them.

The boys are engaged in the different work of the Parish; one is the Chime-master, one is connected with the work in the Sunday School, another is on the staff of the Chimes, another is the Crucifer, and all take turns ushering at the Sunday evening service on the first and third Sundays of each month.

They are now planning a series of summer recreations for the younger boys in the Sunday School, to which they invite all of the boys of the Parish.

Officers of the Junior Brotherhood are, David B. Arndt, Vice Director; Robert W. Carmint, Secretary; Frothingham B. Falkner, Treasurer.

The Special Spring event will be the big meeting to be held early in June at St. Martin's in the Field to which the Junior Brotherhood extends an invitation to all the boys in the Parish.

Frederick Lenning, Junior Director.

A Memorial Alms Basin.

An alms basin, to be used at the side altar in the chapel, has been presented by Miss Francis Cooley in memory of her father, Mr. Frank Cooley of Germantown.

Daughters of the King.

The chapter has been meeting weekly, for the past two months, following the course of Scriptural Readings and Prayers set forth in the "Every Member Campaign" booklet. The regular meetings are held on the second Monday evening of the month.

We are glad to welcome to the Order, two new members, who have been meeting with us. We extend a cordial invitation to other women in the Parish to join in the work of the Daughters of the King. The motto of the Order is "For His Sake." N. P. C.

Easter Memorial Flowers.

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the *Blessed Dead*. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions in money to Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, 6439 Jefferson St., as soon as possible. The ladies of the Guild will personally attend to the election and purchase of the flowers and will see to it that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. By sending contributions in money the Guild will be enabled to make a choicer and more harmonious selection. Those who prefer to contribute blooming plants or flowers are requested to send them to the Parish House on Saturday morning in time for them to be arranged in the Chancel on the same day. *All persons* are invited to contribute to the Easter Memorial, and any contribution, however small, will be cordially received.

Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild held its annual supper on Thursday evening, February 27th. Seventeen were present and it was greatly enjoyed by all. We were very glad to have with us Mr. and Mrs. Arndt and also Mr. Melville Gurley, who told us some of his interesting experiences while abroad.

The regular monthly meeting of the Guild was held on Monday evening, March 10th. We would again like to suggest that anyone who desires to have a memorial Sunday, and observe the day by sending flowers for the Altar, make arrangements with Mr. Arndt.

We also wonder if the members of the congregation know that the offerings in the small box at the McCallum Street door go to the Altar Guild? We would

be very glad to receive contributions in this way to help us defray the expenses of the upkeep of the linens and the other Altar appointments. We are at present very badly in need of a new white Pulpit Fall and would like very much to have someone present a new one.

The Guild is very glad to welcome Mrs. R. P. Mogridge as a new member.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

March 28-April 4: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser and E. Thompson.

April 4-11: Misses Chase, Alexander and Woodroffe.

April 11-18: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhard, Mrs. Mogridge.

April 18-25: Misses Dean, Falkner and M. Thompson. G. F. D.

Contributions for the Chimes.

These people want the Chimes. Do You? Mr. Davidson, Mr. Rowley, Mr. Bains, Mrs. Wismer, Miss Orme, Miss Sophia Gebhardt, Mr. Amerling, Mrs. McGill, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mrs. Thacher, Mrs. Mary Miller, Mrs. Sickel, Mrs. Laura Wolf, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Kamerly, Mr. Carpenter, Mrs. Belfield, Fred Belfield, Miss Cave, Mr. Carmint. These are just the people who subscribed since last month's issue. We have now about one-half enough money. As soon as Lent is over I want to get the rest of the sixty dollars required. Contributions and subscriptions may be sent to Robert W. Carmint, 6373 Sherman St.

The New Dramatic Club.

Most probably you will remember the fine dramatic society that was in our church before Mr. Wilcox left. We will try and renew its old spirit. As soon as Lent is over we will begin to rehearse for our first presentation. We are going to pay to keep a French War orphan and also give to the War Mission in our church. So everybody be prepared to buy and sell some of our tickets. R. C.

Athletics.

37, 16 and 20-13 were the scores of the two basketball games our team lost to St. Peter's. We hope to make a stronger

team through the efforts of Mr. Walters and Mr. Gebhard. We have some very good material; Dave Arndt, Gable, Van Dusen, forwards; Thompson, center, and Kenning and McCrac, guards. After basketball season is over, we will get up a baseball team, and anyone interested can see Mr. Walters.

Mr. Walters will also coach some of the smaller boys on Thursday nights in the gym until weather permits them to work outside.

We expect to form a Recreation Club to cover everything outside of Religious meetings and activities in the Parish.



Sunday School.

The Valentine Party for the Sunday School on February 14th came off with a great success. The older members of the Sunday School gave a "Shadow Play" while a dance and a "Backward Class" were rendered by the smaller girls. Miss Constance Van Dusen rendered a very beautiful and artistic dance. After these were over the Sunday School went down stairs and played and after a few refreshments went home. C.



The Girl Scouts.

When the buds begin to appear on the trees and the first spring flowers thrust their heads above the ground, the Girl Scouts' (Troop 119) thoughts were turned towards gardens. These, of course, mean work, but work means nothing with the visions of vegetables later on as a reward! Our main difficulty, at present, is, that we have no place to make our gardens. Has someone in our Parish a vacant lot that they would be willing to allow us to use a small part of for this purpose?

The girls are working to earn money for their suits and anyone interested in us can give us work to do. If you need someone to run an errand, mind the baby or do the many little things that girls can do, call for a Girl Scout! You will be helping us to earn money for our suits or for furniture for our club room and we hope we are helping you, too! Try us! If anyone is interested will they see Mr. Arndt or Miss E. Cave in regard to it?

We regret very much that our Captain, Miss A. Fiest, is still too ill to be with us. She is sadly missed by all and the progress of the troop has suffered in consequence. We hope that she will soon be well enough to resume her duties. In the meantime, we are hoping to have a captain from headquarters to fill her place temporarily, and we will give Miss Fiest a hearty welcome when she feels strong enough to come back to us, which cannot be too soon to suit us.

Again, we extend a cordial invitation to all girls over fourteen years to join us any Friday evening at 7.45 P. M.



Men's Bible Class.

We are gradually gaining strength after our ranks were somewhat depleted when our men were called to the colors and after losing three able teachers.

We have managed to hold together and keep the class going. Last summer we averaged about thirteen men per Sunday, now we average thirty men per Sunday, but we are not satisfied. We want to double our attendance by Easter. Let each member make an earnest effort to bring a new member.

We have an able and interesting teacher in Mr. Schrick who teaches the lesson from the Bible and draws his illustrations from topic of the present day, making it doubly interesting.

I wish to appeal to every man in the Parish to come to the class on Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock. I assure you that your time will not be lost but well spent and you will come again.

The class is working hard to make a success of the "Every Member Campaign," and are giving their aid to the Committee of the Parish.

The regular social and business meeting for March has been dispensed with, owing to it coming in Lent, and the April meeting has been set for April 23rd. A good entertainment and refreshments will be arranged for. A special invitation is extended to the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Class to attend this meeting.

Now men, one grand attack and over the top for sixty or more members by Easter. If you cannot pull get behind and push. That is a good motto, "PUSH." C. R. R.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECORD'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
6.00 to 8.00 P. M.

The Easter Communion

Four hundred and fifty-one persons received at the three services of the Holy Communion held in Christ Church on Easter morning. This is a large percentage of the communicant list of the parish. Some were not privileged to come on account of illness; a few were out of the city; *but where were the others?*

The Every Member Campaign

The Every Member Campaign, which was held throughout the Diocese during three weeks in Lent, brought forth very encouraging results in this parish.

The Committee in charge did most excellent work, and it is to be congratulated on the success. The Committee were very courteously received by the members of the parish upon whom they called and the work was a pleasure to the members of the Committee.

They were so much encouraged with the work that the Committee is to be permanently continued, to hold itself in readiness to do other or similar work in the parish, as the needs may arise.

The members of the parish may expect to hear from this Committee again in the near future.

As a result of the Every Member Campaign a number of persons signified their willingness to take part in various work in the parish. It is hoped that these per-

sons will not forget their promise and will respond, by applying to the Rector. Over \$1,000 were also asked in pledges though the Envelope System.

The Rector wishes to express his high appreciation of the splendid work done by the members of the Committee in charge. There was an immense amount of detail connected with the preparation of such a campaign, and the Committee have the gratitude of the entire Parish for the thoroughness and the faithfulness of its work.

The members of the Committee, in turn, appreciate the courtesy with which they were received, and the hearty co-operation which the members of the Parish extended to them.

It is fortunate that the Committee is to be continued, and it is to be hoped that there may be several opportunities, during the coming year, when our people's interest may be further enlisted in hearty, co-operative work of the Parish.

"Our Boys," Returning from Service

One by one, members of our Parish, who have been absent in the service of their country, are returning home. Almost every Sunday a new, and yet a very familiar, face appears in our congregation. It is a great delight to the Rector to see these "boys" back with us again. We call them "boys," because they have been so very near and dear to us through these many months of absence. We have

regarded them with singular interest and solicitude. They have been in our thoughts and prayers so often these months that we have come to regard them, each of them, as our, our very own; "our boys", for whom we have a real affection and love. Our anxiety, our fears, our pride, our prayers have been very real since they went away from us.

And now that they have been spared to come back to us, and we see them again in their accustomed place in church—their old Church Home—our hearts are filled with joy and gratitude to God that He, in His goodness has answered our prayers and has brought back to us—our boys!

And may our other "boys," who are still overseas, be spared to return to us, strong and well, to come to God's Home that we, and they, may kneel together in united prayer and praise and thanksgiving.



"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day," says the Apostle. That is what we should all strive to attain—to be raised for at least one day in the week above the grinding toil of our daily work; above the debasing influence of frivolous amusements; above the jangling of business or controversy; raised into the high and holy atmosphere, breathed by pure and peaceful lives, bright and beautiful thoughts, elevating and invigorating worship.—Dean Stanley.



The Mother of "Our Boys"

One of the chaplains of our Church, who has been serving at "the front," writes the following to a friend. It should be read by every woman in the land. The Rector commends these words to the women in our parish and especially the concluding paragraph, to impress upon their minds the wonderful opportunity that comes to women *now*, when "our boys" return to their homes and to their parish church. The letter reads as follows.

"One experience I always had with the living and the dying, and it was this: that the most sensitive place in a boy's heart was the place given over to his mother.

It was only a few weeks ago that a nurse stepped softly over to me and I entered within the sheets that hang around the bed and that tell the story of another life ebbing away. The eyes of the dying man searched me; he raised himself up, threw his arms around me, and pulled me down to him; and I prayed for him and with him; and as he sank back upon his bed with a sob of relief, my presence was no longer the presence of the chaplain, it was the presence of some one infinitely dearer and sweeter to him. I had been but the forerunner and herald; for he looked up to me and said, as thousands of them had said before: "Mother, Mother!" I knew that word so well—the first thought of the wounded man after his operation is his mother; the first question of the chaplain after he has asked about the battle and his pal is, "Would you take a little note to Mother?" If he is an Italian or a Frenchman, it is "Maman"; if he is an American, it is the old Anglo-Saxon "Mother". And as I came away from that dying man the boys on either side lying on their beds looked at me with wide-open eyes. And when I said to them, "Boys, it's always so, isn't it? The one we think of first is our mother. It was so when we fell out of bed at night as little boys, or fell off the fence and hurt ourselves, or cut our finger, or bumped our head. And here it is the same when we come to the great struggle." And those poor boys just turned their faces over on the pillow, their eyes just swimming in tears. Kipling never wrote a truer thing than those lines:

"If I were hanged on the highest hill,

Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

I know whose love would follow me still,

Mother o' mine O mother o' mine!

"If I were drowned in the deepest sea,

Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

I know whose tears would come down to me,

Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

If I were damned of body and soul,

Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

I know whose prayers would make me whole,

Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!"

O mothers, sisters, sweethearts, the biggest thing you have done for the men at the front, and the biggest thing you

can do for them coming home, is not all that you have done and still do in knitting socks and making bandages and ministering to their physical comfort. *The biggest thing you have done, the biggest thing you can do, is to be the fine women that shall make them finer men.*



Confirmation Class

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D.D., Bishop Suffragan of Pennsylvania, visited this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening and administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. He also conducted a short but most helpful Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion.

The following are the names of persons confirmed:

Atkins, Florence Lorraine
Bland, Adelaide Doriss
Bland, George Coxe
Courney, Margaret Davidson
Erisman, Sarah Jane (Mrs. F. H.)
Hamilton, Margaret Hayes
Harrison, Anna (Mrs. Thomas)
Lehman, Clara May (Mrs. R. F.)
Lehman, Robert Frank
McFadden, Marion Eleanor
McKay, Gertrude
Meley, Elizabeth
Myers, Jessie Lavinia
Philler, William Katz
Smith, Leon Gates
Solt, Marion Dorothy
Spooner, Hilda
Wells, Frank Farquhar
Wells, Guy Farquhar
Wells, Louise Gertrude
Wells, Margaret Catharine
Vanduzen, Constance Harding



A Service of Hymns of Praise and Silent Prayer to the Holy Spirit

The Rector wishes to call attention to a Special Service which will be held in Christ Church on Whit-Sunday evening, June 8th.

It will be a *Service of Hymns of Praise and Silent Prayer* to the Holy Spirit. The Service will open with hymns to the Holy Spirit, followed by a period of silence and meditation on certain portions of Scripture, with silent prayer. The remainder of the Service will consist of

appropriate Whitsunday hymns and praise and silent prayer to the Holy Spirit. There will be no sermon nor announcements, the congregation following a program which will be distributed to those present.

The Rector feels sure that this service, especially appropriate for Whitsunday, the Feast of the Holy Spirit, will be impressive and most helpful to all who attend.

The Service will begin at 7.45 sharp and will last one hour. All are invited to this *Service of Praise and Silence*.



An Easter Gift

The Prayer Books and Hymnals that have been used in the chancel were presented by the Sunday School, Easter, 1907, in loving memory of our Superintendent, Walter J. Crowder. The books have outworn from use and a complete new set of books for the Chancel was presented to the Church by Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, on last Easter Day. The books bear the same inscription as the former books.



Kalendar for May

May 1. St. Philip and St. James.
May 4. Second Sunday after Easter.
May 11. Third Sunday after Easter.
May 18. Fourth Sunday after Easter.
May 25. Fifth Sunday after Easter.
(Rogation)
May 26, 27, 28, Rogation Days.
May 29. Ascension Day.



The Easter Offering

The Easter offering was very generally responded to by the members of the Parish, and there were some notable instances of great generosity. The full amount asked for by the Vestry (\$1,200) was realized.



There are a number of necessary repairs that must be made about the church property, and painting that must be one on the buildings at an early date.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
The Chimes will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.

All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Editor at least twelve days before the date of publication.

Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901) Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
George T. Morgan (1912)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Jonas Westling (1917)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 3.00 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
and Fourth Fridays, 8 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teacher's Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

Envelope Contributions

If any persons have not received their packages of envelopes for the new year they are requested to apply to or communicate with the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave.

Pledge cards may be found in the racks in the vestibules.



Annual Election of Vestrymen

At the annual election of vestrymen held Easter Monday four vestrymen were elected to serve for three years, viz.:

James M. Woodroffe, Richard H. Morris, J. I. Morrison, Frederick Leming.

At the first meeting of the Vestry on Easter Tuesday the Vestry was organized with the following officers: J. I. Morrison was re-elected Accounting Warden, and Francis B. Falkner, Secretary. The Rector re-appointed James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden. Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe and J. I. Morrison were elected delegates to the Diocesan Convention and Germantown Convocation.

Charles Hatcher, Verger of Christ Church, has resigned to accept a position on a ranch in Nevada. Mr. Hatcher has been faithful in the discharge of his duties at Christ Church, and has proven himself a man of excellent character. At present writing, his successor has not been selected. The duties of Verger, while not onerous, are nevertheless many and exacting, and require a man of faithfulness and the best of character. It is hoped that such a man may be secured.



Financial Report of the Accounting Warden

Each year a financial report of the parish is submitted to the Bishop of the Dio-

cese and printed in the Diocesan Journal.

The Journal has just been published and is as follows:

Christ Church, Germantown
Parochial Report, January 1st to December 31st, 1918.

Receipts:

For Parish Support:

1. From Pew Rents,	\$2,344.84
2. From Envelopes,	3,071.39
3. From Plate Collections, (includes Easter)	1,252.68
11. From Endowments, (Jeffries Legacy)	1,588.72
12. From All Other Sources,	117.85

Total for Parish Support \$8,375.48

For Special Parochial Purposes:

4. For Principal of Mortgage,	\$600.00
8. For Communion Alms— Poor of Parish,	287.70

Total for Special Parochial Purposes, \$887.70

For Purposes Outside of Parish:

I. Offerings for all Diocesan Purposes:	
3. All Other Diocesan Purposes,	\$1,683.34
II. Offerings for All Extra-Diocesan Purposes:	
1. General Missions,	834.13

Total for Purposes Outside of Parish, \$2,517.47

Grand Total, \$11,780.65

Expenditures:

Current Expenses:

1. For Salaries: A. Clergy, Sexton, "Supplies,"	\$4,104.00
2. For Music: A. Organist and Choir, B. Bell-ringing,	1,653.78 100.00
3. For Fuel, Light, Water, Power,	726.53

4. For Taxes, Rents, Insurance, 447.30	
5. For Interest, 173.40	
6. For Care of Church, Parish Buildings, Rectory, and Ordinary Repairs of the same 793.12	
Total of Current Expenses, \$7,998.13	

1. For Pension Premium of Clergy, \$262.52	
2. For Payment of Debts, 287.70	
3. For the Poor, 287.70	
6. For Payment of Principal of Mortgage, 600.00	
Total of Other Parochial Expenses, \$1,150.22	

Dioecesan Expenditures:	
1. For Episcopal Fund	\$307.96
2. For Convention Fund	539.99
3. For Dioecesan Missions, 105.24	
4. For Religious Education, 7.58	
5. For Social Service, 30.35	
7. For Sustentation Fund, 603.89	
8. For Other Charity, \$1,655.01	
Total of Dioecesan Expenditures, \$3,455.01	

Extra-Dioecesan Expenditures:	
1. General Missions:	
A. Applicable on the Apportionment, \$867.60	
Total of Extra-Dioecesan Expenditures, \$867.60	
Grand Total, \$11,670.96	
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1918, \$109.69	

Duties of Wardens and Vestrymen

The Bishop of Massachusetts has addressed a letter to the Wardens and Vestrymen of his diocese. It suggests the broad lines of responsibilities and opportunity placed in the hands of the trustees and representatives of the parishioners.

"First and most important," says the Bishop, "the Wardens and Vestrymen of a Parish stand to the Parish and the community as the representative men of that Parish, the representative Churchmen in that community. In accepting an office in the Church of God, a man not only undertakes a real duty, but enters upon a position of honor. If at any time it is not so considered, that serves as a warning that we have not upheld the Church in her honorable position. Whatever, therefore, a Warden or Vestryman may do or not do officially, he is bound above all things to be a man of true and high character. In all business and social relations he is, whether he be of lowly or high station in life, honorable, pure, and worthy of respect; he is reverent and generous in word and deed; full of the spirit of charity, and altogether Christ-
"Being an official in the Episcopal Church, he is loyal to its doctrine and discipline, intelligent in its principles, and faithful to its traditions. He appreciates the value of the Church to the community, and in accepting the office binds himself to a reasonable devotion to the interests of the Parish. This means that the younger members of the Parish can fairly look to him to see what their relations to the Church should be." At the close of his letter, Bishop Lawrence expresses his strong appreciation of the quiet, faithful work that is done by the members of the Vestries of the Parishes in Massachusetts. He says: "I see men of large affairs giving their valuable time to such details of Parish administration as in their own business they would hand over to others; they realize, however, that there is something representative in their official work for the Church; it has a higher meaning and a larger influence than the figures signify. I find officers

of the Church, of all social ranks, working together for the Church in the finest spirit of Christian brotherhood."

What are the Duties of Church Wardens?

"The ancient traditions are that by them 'Churches be kept in sufficient preparation, bread and wine be provided against every Communion,' 'loiterers be not suffered near the Church in time of Divine Service,' and 'disturbers of Divine Service be presented.'" These, with a few other traditions, suggest the Wardens' duties in three relations.

(1) "The Wardens have the general care of the fabric of the Church, Parish House and Rectory. It is their duty to see not only that everything is kept in decent repair, but that the whole appearance of the buildings is worthy of God's temple. It is for them and not for the Rector to see that the walls are well painted and the roof tight; that the Church lawn is well kept; that after a snow-storm the Church's side-walk be not the last one on the street to be cleaned; also that the interior of the Church be well appointed, that the carpets be whole, the walls and ceiling clean and free from weather stains, that the chancel and pews be fresh and dustless. To them belongs the arduous duty of seeing that the Church which probably has no modern means of ventilation, is well ventilated, and that the temperature of the Church and Sunday School is good. Of course the Sexton, who is also at the Rector's command, is their agent, but such matters require vigilance, and all of these, as many other details, add to the comfort and dignity of the Church's service.

(2) "The Wardens, with the Rector, prepare for the administration of the Holy Communion, and indeed for all the services of the Church. They are the body-guard of the Rector, ready to respond to any reasonable request, quick to aid him in his work, attentive to his interests. They 'receive the alms in a decent basin and reverently bring it to the Priest.' It is a dignified and representative act, that of the Wardens giving the alms of the people into the hands of the Priest. To the Wardens, as representatives of the people, a wise Rector will turn for counsel, criticism and guidance. I am convinced that neither Rector nor Wardens take sufficient advantage of the confidential relations in which they may stand to each other. I believe that, if Wardens would in all kindness sometimes speak their minds more frankly to the Rector, and the Rector would confide in his Wardens, some of his questions, difficulties and personal cares, there would be mutual advantage and a gain to the Parish.

(3) "The Wardens guard and assist the devotions of the congregation. What-ever tends toward edification—the seating of the people, the reception of strangers, the provision for Prayer Books and Hymnals—falls within the Wardens' province. I know that many of these duties have been taken, no doubt with increased efficiency, by members of St. Andrew's Brotherhood and other young men. I am old fashioned enough, however, to feel that they are doing it as the agents of the representative Parish officers; and I trust that, while the Wardens will encourage the services of young men in every way, they will not abdicate their office as the responsible curators of the Church and of the general interests of the congregation. What are the Duties of the Vestry? The Vestry as a body stands responsible for the financial condition of the

Parish. The duty of raising money cannot be given over to the Rector nor the Treasurer or some active Vestryman. While one or another may take certain lines of work, the responsibility is with the whole Vestry; and no good Vestryman will hear the Treasurer report a deficit or a delay in the payment of the Rector's salary without a sense of shame and a resolution that he will try to prevent it happening again. Above all other institutions, the Church should bear a high name for financial honor. Business integrity is essential to the efficiency of a Parish. I occasionally come across a clergyman who, unpractical or careless in finances, does not pay his debts. I can say, however, that I look with admiration upon the great body of the clergy and their wives, for their economy, their good sense, their self-denial and sensitiveness to financial honor. And I know of few more cruel situations than that of a faithful clergyman who, keenly sensitive, has not been paid his salary and, therefore, cannot pay his bills because of the listlessness of the Vestry and people. The work suffers through the Rector's anxiety and thus the Parish suffers doubly in reputation and spiritual leadership. Fortunately such instances are few, but they exist; and I confidently ask every Vestryman to see to it that no such conditions find a foothold in the Parish of which he is an officer.

There is no doubt that the change from the Pew System to a Free Church or pledge or envelope system has made the collection of the Church's income far more difficult, and has also tempted Parishes to give less to missionary interests. Our Vestries have, therefore, a more difficult task before them than in other days. It is neither right nor wise to make the Rector appeal for his own salary. The officers of the Church should

have such a large conception of the Church's work, such a high estimate of its usefulness to the community, and such confidence in its Divine purpose, as to create a deep and abiding enthusiasm in themselves and the people, which will bring forth fruits in large and systematic offerings.

We are well aware that, when a Church depends upon fairs, entertainments, and spasmodic efforts, it loses its dignity and influence throughout the whole community. When a Vestry develops and sustains with energy systematic and business-like methods for gathering in the income, it is surprising how steadily the amount increases; the raising of the Rector's salary becomes possible, and there is cheer and buoyancy all along the line.

There are a few other considerations that I would like to suggest.

(1) The Rector is the appointed leader of the Parish. In addition to his routine duties, he should be alert to opportunities for the development of the work of the Parish and the increase of its influence. If he has shown himself to be a man of judgment as well as enthusiasm, he has a right to accept a sympathetic consideration of his plans; and if, after full discussion, favorable action is taken, he should be able to count upon the support of the *whole* Vestry and through them of the Parish. In a well ordered Parish, Rector and Vestry work together as one, the Rector leading, the Vestry supporting him with full confidence and loyalty.

(2) As the Vestry represents the Parish, I wish that it were possible for the members of the Vestry to know personally a larger proportion of the people of the Parish. The Rector knows all. The Vestryman usually knows but very few. It is not his fault; he has no means of

knowing them. At the same time, I am confident that, if the people of the Parish knew their officers better, and the officers, being earnest and enthusiastic men, knew the whole people, there would be vastly more unity and more momentum to the Parish life than there is today. How that may be accomplished, I leave to you. I am sure, however, that our Parishes would do a mightier work if, by mutual acquaintance and a sympathy which comes with it, there were more *esprit du corps*. It is that which wins the battle, whether it be on the battle fields of Europe or in the battle against godlessness in a town of Massachusetts.

The Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting continues to hold its sessions every Tuesday. We had many orders for aprons and rugs this spring and have been kept very busy. Our meetings have seemed more natural lately for we have had the pleasure of having Mrs. Rowley with us again, after an enforced absence of some months.

The offering which is given each week has been put in "The Blue Box" for the United Offering. When the box was opened we had \$7.19 for that object.

The last meeting for the year was held on May 6th, but this is not the last time of our coming together, for we are planning to have an old-fashioned picnic before the middle of June.

U. F. A.

Committee to Welcome Returning Enlisted Men.

A Welcome Committee has been organized in the Parish to receive men returning from the service of their country. A definite plan has been formed to provide for their return to their Church and civil life and to provide for their employment, if needed.

All enlisted men are requested to let the Rector know of their return as soon as possible.

F. L.

The Athletic Association

The new Athletic Association has repaired and put in good condition the grounds once more. The tennis court is now ready to be thrown open to the public and all persons fourteen years of age and over are eligible for active membership. The co-operation of the members of the Parish is urged in this new movement and we are sure everyone will help make it a success. The membership fee is \$1.00 a year with 25 cts extra for "key privilege." Membership tickets may be procured from Robert Carmint, Secretary of the Association.

D. B. A.

Look!

On June 7 there will be on the Parish House Grounds a great time. Eats, rides, n' everything will be provided by the Athletic Association of Christ Church. Watch for the date! Be ready to sell tickets. Let us all make it a real night for everybody. Watch for the date!

C.

Men's Bible Class

Men! What are you doing for the Men's Bible Class? Where were *you* last Sunday? We all know it is nice to lie in bed, but it is better to join us. We realize that all men cannot come every Sunday morning. The man who stays away is the one we miss.

It is with much pleasure we announce that the class attendance has increased within the last month, six new members. As our men are returning from the service we will soon be back to the old standard.

On the evening of April 23d the Men's Class gave an entertainment to the ladies who helped with the banquet. It was enjoyed by all present.

Class meets every Sunday morning at 9-45. All men are welcome.

K. W. L. Sands,
Sec'y of Class.

The Sunday School

The Sunday School has made some big jump over last year in attendance. About twenty-two names are added to the list of scholars who have brought in new members. On Easter two banners were awarded to the Girls' class and Boys' class having the largest number of new scholars. The Girls' class was Miss Cronder's and the Boys' Miss Gerhardt's. Mr. Morris is expecting to start a new list soon. So Sunday School scholars get busy.

The Girl Scouts

Christ Church troop of Girl Scouts wishes to express its thanks for the splen-

did co-operation the Church and Sunday School gave in their benefit. It was a great success.

Also the troop, which generally should consist of the older girls, has decided to form a troop of younger girls. This troop will be the Brownies and as they grow they will become regular Scouts.

E. C.

The Junior Brotherhood

By the addition of two new members, Anthony McClosky and Horace MacIntyre, we have reached the total of 15 members.

The Chapter is still plugging ahead at its usual rate. We usher every other Sunday night, and try to keep up a good attendance at church.

The Chapters' baseball team ended up fairly well considering out late start and is going right at tennis. We hope to do a great deal more later on for the Church and Sunday School.

R. Carmalt, Sec.



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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

Rector's Notes Summer Services

The Services during the Summer will be at the usual hours: Holy Communion, every Sunday at 7.30 a. m. Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00. Evening Prayer, short address, at 7.45.

All the Services will be shortened form.



The summer months suggest a release from many forms of Christian duty. But to a conscientious Christian and faithful Church member regular attendance at Divine Service is as important in summer as in winter. Wherever he may be, at home or abroad, in summer or in winter, wherever and whenever the opportunity offers to worship God in His Holy Temple, the words of the true Christian heart are the words of the Psalmist, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord."



A Missionary Campaign

A great "Drive for Missions" will be undertaken next fall, embracing the entire Church, including every diocese and jurisdiction in the land.

It will be a bold and definite movement of the "whole Church" to take hold of *Missions*, the great work of the Church. Every parish in every diocese will be called to declare itself in definite

and unmistakable terms. Every member in every parish will be asked to step forward and show his colors. Every member in this parish will do his or her duty.

These are days of stern earnestness and reality, and the spirit of heroism and self sacrifice is the test of true worth. The Lord, through His Church, is calling to the world, "*He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me, scattereth!*"

It is a great privilege to be living in this age when opportunity is so near and duty is so clear and the spirit of God is so manifestly moving upon the face of the deep. How fitting are Bishop Coxe's words:

"We are living, we are dwelling

In a grand and awful time,

In an age on ages telling—

To be living is sublime.

Hark! the waking up of nations,

Gog and Magog to the fray.

Hark! What soundeth? Is creation

Groaning for its latter day?

Will you play, then, will you dally

With your music and your wine?

Up! It is Jehovah's rally;

God's own arm hath need of thine.

World's are charging Heaven beholding,
Thou has but one hour to fight.

Now, the blazoned cross unfolding,
On, night onward to the night.

On! let all the soul within you,
For the truth's sake go abroad!
Strike! let every nerve and sinew
Tell on ages—tell for God!"

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Co-operation

Calling upon every member in the Church to co-operate in this great Missionary Campaign, which is to take place throughout the Church next fall, the Rt. Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the American Church, issues the following call:

In the last year or two our nation has made good in willing and working together. It has won the whole world's acclaim. Is not its success a challenge to the Church and its members to will and work together? The Church is the whole body of the faithful who believe in Jesus Christ as God the Son and want to love and serve Him.

A portion of the faithful body is known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The good thing of willing and working together may well be commended to it. In the main it has willed and worked together very well, theoretically. The unimportant break only of the Reformed Episcopal Church has happened. The Protestant Episcopal Church shaped itself into unity in 1789, side by side with the constitutional birth of the nation's unity. To no small degree the same persons wrought the two shapings. It preserved its unity through and after our sad civil war. There is an American mould and an American harmony in it quite remarkable. It has chosen and commissioned missionary bishops for eighty-four years. It has framed its great Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to be an *alter ego* of the Church—to be indeed the Church itself in missionary make-up and missionary activities.

Yes, theoretically this Church has been well fashioned and adjusted unto the desirable willing and working together.

Now, it is planned to change theory to practice. No, not that either. We do

not want to change. What we want to do is to add practice to theory in earnest effort of willing and working together.

May I not humbly but stoutly sound the slogan?

Gather to the colors of the Nation-Wide Campaign. Summon the men. Call the Women. Forget not the children. Discipline the recruits. Furnish the munitions and supplies. Speak to American Churchmen that they go forward.

More humbly still, invoke upon the Board of Mission and all their helpers in the Nation-Wide Campaign the guidance and grace and blessing of Almighty God.

The Son of God goes forth to war.
The American Church goes with him.

Daniel S. Tuttle, Presiding Elder.

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Men's Corporate Communion

It is very inspiring to witness a large number of men, kneeling together before the altar at the Early Celebration of the Holy Communion. There is nothing more noble than a thoroughly manly Christian man! And on the third Sunday morning in May—the occasion of the regular monthly Corporate Communion for men—it was an inspiring sight to see a large attendance of the men of the Parish at the Early Celebration at half-past seven.

It is to the great credit of the young men of the Parish, who are doing all they can, by precept and example, to encourage other men to attend this Corporate Communion, on the third Sunday morning of each month. The Rector is very proud of these men and he hopes that more men in the Parish will avail themselves of this opportunity to unite with others in this most helpful and inspiring Service—the Men's Corporate Communion.

The next occasion will be on Trinity Sunday, June 15th. Let there be a large attendance of men that Sunday!

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Trinity Tide

On Trinity Sunday, which occurs this year on June 15, is reached the first half of the "Church" or "Christian year."

"So far," says Bishop Cox, "we have seen that the Son of God was manifested; now in the second half of the Church year, we are to learn, in action, how He 'destroyed the works of the devil.' The first half of the Church year (from Advent to Trinity Sunday) is devoted to doctrine primarily, and to duty as seen in direct relation to doctrine."

So, the second half is devoted to duty primarily, and to doctrine only as reduced to practical piety. Thus is the Church year divided between the Creed and the Decalogue, in its Christian scope and application.

In the seasons that succeed Advent (Christmas, Epiphany, Septagesima, Lent, Easter, Ascension and Whitsunday) until Trinity Sunday, we perceive a sort of spiritual impulse, by which we are borne along our holy way with scarcely a sense of effort. It is because our affections become warmed, and our feelings healthfully excited, by the peculiar joys of those successive feasts and fasts. But now we have reached a season in which no such impulse is supplied; in which our spiritual joys must be purely those of faith and duty; and in which physical, as well as spiritual, efforts must be made if we would keep our souls alive and growing.

Here, then, we have a chance to try the comparative amount of *feeling* and of *principle*, regarded as constituents of our religious characters. And we may be sure that if our sense of duty is less active than it should be; if we do not now accomplish from *principle* what heretofore we may have cheerfully done from *feeling*; then it is evident that our religion is greatly defective, and is less a thing of the deep heart, than of the superficial sense or emotions.

The very first thing, then, in addressing ourselves to a life of practical piety, is to feel our natural weakness, and our need of grace; in view of the fact that the habitual keeping of the Commandments of God and not the ardour of our pious sentiments, is the criterion of real piety.

This all important principle is, in the Collect for the first Sunday after Trinity, turned into a prayer.

Like the rod of Aaron, the rod and staff of our Creed must now blossom and bear fruit in piety; so we pray for the life-giving Spirit, that we, who by nature are dead in sin, may become plants of grace, in the garden of God.

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Kalendar for June

June 1. Sunday after Ascension.
June 8. Whitsunday.
June 9. Whitsun Monday.
June 10. Whitsun Tuesday.
June 11. St. Barnabas.
June 13, 14. Ember Days.
June 15. Trinity Sunday.
June 22. First Sunday after Trinity.
June 24. Nativity. St. John Baptist.
June 29. St. Peter. Second Sunday after Trinity.

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A Service of Hymns of Praise and Silent Prayer to the Holy Spirit

The Rector wishes to call attention to a Special Service which will be held in Christ Church on Whit-Sunday evening, June 8th.

It will be a *Service of Hymns of Praise and Silent Prayer to the Holy Spirit*. The Service will open with hymns to the hymns to the Holy Spirit, followed by a period of silence and meditation on certain portions of Scripture, with silent prayer. The remainder of the Service will consist of appropriate Whitsunday hymns and praise and silent prayer to the Holy Spirit. There will be no sermon nor announcements, the congregation following a program which will be distributed to those present.

The Rector feels sure that this service, especially appropriate for Whitsunday, the Feast of the Holy Spirit, will be impressive and helpful to all who attend.

The Service will begin at 7.45 sharp and will last one hour. All are invited to this *Service of Praise and Silence*.

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Sunday School Picnic

The Primary Department will hold their picnic on Saturday afternoon, June 14th, at two-thirty o'clock.

The Upper Schools will picnic on the following Saturday, June 21. Meet at the Parish House at 9.30 a. m. sharp.

Parish Notes

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

A Welcome Home Service for Our Boys

On Sunday evening, June 29th, a Service will be held in Christ Church which every member of the Parish will want to attend. It will be a "Welcome Home Service" to the members of our Church who have returned from our Country's Service. It is hoped that by that time, a majority of our boys on our Honor Roll will have returned home.

It is expected that Elton Post, G. A. R., and the Sons of Veterans will be present at this Service.

This will be a "Welcome Home Service" to every man enlisted from our Parish.

The Rev. Edwin S. Lane, Chaplain, recently returned from France, and others will give addresses.

Every member of the Parish should attend this Service and extend a "welcome Home" to our boys. Sunday evening, June 29.



The Sunday School

The "Chimes" has had little about us for several months, nevertheless we have been busy. We were handicapped at the start last fall by the "Flu" and the loss of our Supt., Mr. Morgan—also on Nov. 3rd, we had only 171 on roll with average attendance during November of 120. To build up the school we turned the whole school into a "Recruiting Corps" with the result that on May 25 we had 244 on roll, an increase of 73, with 170 present on that date. Of the new scholars nearly 50 were brought by old scholars. Miss Crowder's class of girls brought seven and Miss Corris' class of boys brought six, both classes being awarded banners at Easter. We have 26 faithful teachers who are always present except when illness prevents.

Our Work for the Year.

A Thanksgiving party, bringing several hundred cans and packages for the poor of the Parish.

A Christmas offering which supporting three fatherless children of France for an entire year.

A Lenten offering for Missions of over \$200. (It was \$95 last year.)

We want the help of all parents and members of the Church to send us every child belonging to the church, and also every child in the neighborhood who does not go to any Sunday School. We will interest and hold them.

Summer School as usual beginning July 6th at 9.45 sharp, and each Sunday we hope to have one of our boys who were in our Country's Service tell us of what he saw "over there." The parents of our scholars are especially invited to come and hear what our boys saw in France, join in our short service and meet our teachers and officers.

The Following are Star Classes since April 1st and the number of times they have shown as stars. (A star class is one with teacher and every scholar present). Mrs. Schaefer (4), Miss Crowder (3), Miss Gill (3), Mr. Bains (2), Miss Huston (2), Miss Alexander (1), Miss Atkins (1), Miss Ida Booz (1), Miss Gerhard (1), Miss Woodruff (1).

(Signed)

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Memorial Vases

A pair of brass altar vases was recently presented to Christ Church by Mrs. William H. Brooks, in memory of her daughter, Ida Marguerite Brooks. Miss Brooks was a former member of the Choir and for several years a faithful teacher in the Intermediate Department of Christ Church Sunday School.



Summer Service

The Church Service during the summer months will be shortened in form and will be at the usual hours, 7.30, 11.00 a. m., and 7.45 p. m. The Sunday School session will be continued, as usual, throughout the summer. The lesson will be taught from the desk, and short address each Sunday by one of our returned "Soldier boys."

During the Rector's vacation the Parish will be in charge of the Rev. A. Overton Tarrant, M.D., Ph.D. Dr. Tarrant will respond to any calls of sickness or need, if word be left at the Rectory.



ALL DRESSED UP TO GO TO THE COUNTRY
This is a picture of some of the children sent by Christ Church from the slums of the city into the country last summer

Poor Children's Country Week

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 15th. It will cost about \$3.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where he can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small, dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give, and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

Persons wishing to give to this most worthy charity—if they are absent from Church on Sunday morning, June 15th, may send their contributions either to the Rector or the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview street, Germantown.

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Mothers' Meeting Picnic

As the Chimes goes to press the Mothers' meeting are arranging to have an automobiles ride and picnic at Willow Grove for the members of the "Meeting," on Tuesday afternoon, June 3rd. The members of the Meeting and the ladies in charge wish to express their appreciation of the kindness of those persons who kindly loaned their automobiles for this happy occasion.

The Mothers' Meeting will adjourn until the second Tuesday in October. All busy mothers and especially those who are burdened with household cares

and children are cordially invited to be present at the first meeting in the fall and to join this organization which meets every Tuesday afternoon for recreation and a social time.

The Rector gave a short talk to the mothers at each meeting on some practical duty of life.

Remember the next date—Tuesday, October 8th, at two-thirty in the Parish House.

Mothers may bring their children and they will be cared for.

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4. Why do people, who know the least about religious matters never read their Bibles, neglect Church and are generally ignorant, think that they "know it all"?

The Women's Sunday Afternoon Bible Class, which is taught by Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, has adjourned its meetings until the first Sunday in October.

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Philip F. Bolay has been engaged as Verger of Christ Church and has entered upon his duties.

Mr. Bolay served on the police force of Germantown for many years and is well and favorably known in this community.

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Pew Rents Now Due

The semi-annual payments of pew rents are now due and checks may be sent to the Warden.

Persons who wish to rent pews or sittings in Christ Church may apply after Church Service to Mr. R. H. Morris or to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison in person or by address, 635 Westview avenue, Germantown.

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Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary was reorganized April 23 with seven members and Mrs. Gerhard as chairman. We have increased our membership to nineteen members.

We closed our spring session with a party on May 28. We hope to open the early part of October with renewed energy.

E. M.

The Athletic Club

The Athletic Club was organized a few months ago for the purpose of gathering the boys together and affording them some pleasant meetings together. They have had eight or ten gatherings on Thursday evenings of each week with an average attendance of twenty boys.



Parish House.
Girl Scouts.

May 9th was the first anniversary of our Girl Scout Troop 119. We had a party worthy of the name including a birthday cake with one candle on it. Miss Feist and Mrs. Arundt gave the last real party touch by being with us and we had a jolly time together.

Looking backward we want to thank all of our friends for their interest and all they have done to help us in the past year.

We are gradually growing and have five new members, nearly all of whom have joined the past month. They are Elizabeth Belfield, May Hagy, Marion Feist, Mary Green and Elsie Wells.

Each week brings one or two more and now that we have definitely decided to have a troop of younger girls it is an opportunity no girl over ten should miss. There are so many things of interest open to the girl of sixteen and so little for the "in-between girl" that it should need no urging on our part to have a big wide awake troop.

Can any *Real Girl* over ten calmly decide that she does not want the fun of drilling, and that she does not want to

know all she can about First Aid? That she does not want to learn signaling, etc.? That she does not want to enjoy hikes and good times and good eats around the camp fire? The good Girl Scout is one who is not only on hand for the good times, but can also be found "on the job" when there is work to be done. It will be found that the really good times are enjoyed with more zest if they are hard earned!

Several of our Scouts, Jean Lukins, Helen and Margaret Robinson, have answered the call to take care of a few children on Saturday mornings and after school. Bessie Ellis, May Matthews and May Monaghan have been bringing some of the smaller children to Sunday School.

The Girl Scout organization is no sectarian and any girl may become a member of our troop even though she is not a member of our Sunday School. Meetings every Friday evening at 7.45 and any girl over ten years old is gladly welcomed.

E. S. C.

Altar Guild

During the summer the Guild relies upon garden flowers for the altars. Several members of the congregation who have gardens have been glad to send flowers when it was convenient for them to do so—and would have given flowers frequently had there been a way to get them to the Church. If any members of the congregation have flowers suitable for the Altar, Miss Alexander has very kindly offered to call for them, if she is notified any Saturday morning during the summer months. The Guild would greatly appreciate the co-operation of the congregation in this matter. Phone or send a note to Miss Esther Alexander. She will do the rest. Phone Gtn. 1412-R. Address, 42 W. Johnson street.

A. C. W.

Men's Bible Class

The Class is steadily going on and men of the Parish who do not come do not know what they are missing. We

have an excellent teacher in Mr. Schick and his teachings are applied to present day conditions.

There are many men in the Parish both old and young who should be among our regular attendants. They do not know of the work we are doing and have done in the past and they cannot appreciate this until they have come and seen and heard what we are doing, what the Class really is.

We know those who do not come and we are coming after you. We want you and we are going to get you, so prepare for a visit from some member of the Class.

The Executive Committee now intends to liven things up. At the last meeting we decided to meet once a week instead of once a month, so that the work will not lag but be spurred on by a closer application of our energies to the work before us.

Men of the Parish we extend you a cordial invitation to meet with us every Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock.

The next regular social meeting will be held Thursday evening, June 19, at 8 o'clock. This night will be devoted to the entertainment of the men of the Class who have been in the service and have returned. Special preparations are being made for this night and a jolly good time may be expected.

We want every member of the Class present that night.

C. R. R.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten, First and Second Grades, held in the Christ Church Parish House, under the direction of Miss Louise Dietz, has prepared the children for the Third Grade, either for Private or Public School.

Miss Dietz is a graduate of Temple University. She has had ten years' experience in teaching and has adopted the most modern up-to-date system, giving each child individual training. School closes June 13th and opens Sept. 10th for all three classes.

Further information may be had by addressing Miss Dietz, 435 West Bringhurst street, Germantown.

Questions on "Fourteen Points"

1. Why do people expect the rites of the Church at weddings, in time of sickness and death, at funerals, etc., who are indifferent to the Church and religion at other times?

2. Why do people leave the Church immediately after Communicating at the Altar and before the Service is over, when such a procedure at the dinner table of an ordinary host would be considered impolite?

3. Why do people consider that they can enjoy the privileges of religion and "belong to a Church" without regular payment to support the Church, when they know that they would be turned out of any club, or lodge or other organization if they refused to pay their dues?

4. Why do people, who know the least about religious matters never read their Bibles, neglect Church and are generally ignorant, think that they "know it all" "air their opinions" when they would be laughed at as fools, if they talked so glibly on law, or medicine, or science, about which they never had any training or knowledge?

5. Why do people habitually come late to Church, when they know if they were to do the same at an ordinary dinner engagement they would be ruled out of decent society?

6. Why do people, who do the least to help in the work and the support of the Church, criticize the most when they do the least and give the least to make things better?

7. Why do people who are "hard of hearing" sit at the back of the Church, when they are welcome to pews further front, and then complain that they cannot hear?

8. Why do older persons manifest so much interest that children should go to Sunday School and attend to their religious duties, when they themselves are indifferent and set such poor examples?

9. Why do people find the Church "too cool to sit in," and then ride in cold trolley cars to business or social engagements?

10. Why do people find it "too warm to go to Church" and not too warm to go to hot and badly ventilated "moovies"?

11. Why is the sun hotter, and the cold colder, and rain "wetter" on Sunday than on Saturday or Monday?

12. Why do people "fit the sermon on others" and fail to take it to themselves?

13. Why do people moving into a new locality, seek out the butcher and baker and settle their children in day school, but put off from month to month connecting themselves with the Church?

14. Why do people expect the Rector to know that they are sick without notifying him and then complain because he does not call, when they notify the doctor that they are ill and do not expect him to "hear of it from others"?

Why?

The Number of Subscribers Through the Envelope System is Increasing

One of the good results of the "Every Member Campaign," recently held in this Parish, is the increased number of persons who give a weekly offering to the support of the Church and its Missions be purely those of faith and duty; and total number, at present, is three hundred and thirty subscribers. This is the largest number since the Envelope System was introduced in the Parish. The list should be increased until it includes every person, man, woman and child, in the congregation. Let this be the goal for the summer. No slackers, but a 100 per cent giving Parish before autumn! Pledge cards, with full instructions, may be had in the vestibules or from the Verger. These pledges, being purely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or withdrawn at any time, by notifying the Warden or Rector. Now let every man, woman and child help to attain our goal—*a 100 per cent Parish!*

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

Rector's Notes

"Thou Hast Made Summer."

So spake the Psalmist as with rapture, he gratefully beheld the works of the Creator. Since, therefore, the Glory and beauty of summertime come from Him, we are not to forget that it, as well as the other seasons, are to be used for His glory, Who made them. Summer is not a time to waste and dandle away. It is not a time when we can go away from home, and throw overboard the ordinary restraints that our position in Church and society require. If we are servants of God, the Lord's Day ought to be hallowed to Him, in the summer vacation—wherever we are—as much as at any other time. The Christian man's influence must count for good at all times and in all places. Wherever you go, then, be known as Christian. Support and maintain the Church's services. Sing in the Choir. Hold lay service, if there is no Church, and try to build a Church where there is none. And again don't forget that at home there are people, not so fortunate as you who cannot get away during all the heated term. They need the Church's ministrations as much, if not more than in the winter. Help give it to them by paying your Church offerings, and other obligations at home just as if you were there. Blessed is the servant who ever watches unto prayer and who is ever ready to do the

Master's work at all times and in all places.

Summer Service

The Church Service during the summer months will be shortened in form and will be at the usual hours, 7.30, 11.00 a. m., and 7.45 p. m. The Sunday School session will be continued, as usual, throughout the summer. The lesson will be taught from the desk, and short address each Sunday by one of our returned "Soldier boys."

During the Rector's vacation the Parish will be in charge of the Rev. A. Overton Tarrant, M. D., Ph. D. Dr. Tarrant will respond to any calls of sickness or need, if word is left at the Rectory.

Obe y the Law

We need, in this country, a greater respect for the law and a demand that the law shall be obeyed.

The country has voted to try national prohibition. It will be tried. The question before every loyal citizen is—does he like the law but will he be obedient to law.

It is the bounden duty of every loyal American to discourage lawlessness in every home—especially at this critical time of our national history. Obe y the law until it is repealed, is the principle of every true patriot.

It would be well to heed the warning which Bishop Lawrence gave in his last convention address:

Timid and conservative people are shaking in their shoes at the sound of Bolshevism and lawlessness. They insist that the laws must be observed and that those who disobey or evade them are dangerous characters. Some of us who are not Bolsheviks will soon have a chance to test that out. Soon the execution of war prohibition and later of constitutional prohibition will begin. The question will then be not that of temperance, but loyalty. The point is, are we going to obey the law or not? Are we going consciously to evade the law or not? Are we going to be lawless or loyal? No man who breaks the law in order to have a drink can complain if a brick goes through his window some riotous evening. The latter act is no more criminal than the former.

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Expression of Thanks to the Women's Auxiliary

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter from the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry thanking the members of the Woman's Auxiliary for their generous donation sent to the City Mission last month.

The Philadelphia Protestant Episcopal City Mission.

June 26, 1919.

Rev. Charles H. Arndt,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Pa.

Dear Friend:—

I would have acknowledged the receipt of the large boxes of boys, girls, ladies garments and other articles received from Christ Church, Germantown ere this, had it not been that I met with a slight automobile accident that put me out of the running for the time being.

That was a great donation and I can assure you it is appreciated by the City Mission. I am glad that we have the heart interests of the communicants of Christ Church. It is most encouraging to us in our work amongst the poor, the sick and the sinful. May God bless

every person who gave anything towards that splendid donation.

With best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

H. Cresson McHenry,

General Secretary

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Why Belong to the Church

(From the Parish Leaflet.)

Why should a perfectly respectable man belong to the Church, when he is just as well satisfied with himself if he remains unencumbered by such voluntary enlistment in the army of Jesus Christ?

There are obvious advantages in remaining outside of the pale.

In the first place, it leaves you free to criticize Church people in general.

The man who never does anything cannot possibly make any mistakes.

If one never sings, one is never out of tune. If one does not make any attempt to live the life of the spirit, he is as free from hypocrisy as an ox.

Then, again, the most troublesome faculty in our human anatomy is the conscience. If we stifle it or give it an anaesthetic, it leaves us free to enjoy ourselves. Moreover, there are certain onerous duties that belong to the Christian life. If we can evade these responsibilities, by denying that we have them, we are much more free to get what pleasure there is in this naughty world.

Why assume a responsibility which carries with it unpleasant duties and disagreeable consequences?

This is exactly the same course of reasoning which appealed to the young men who did not want to enlist in the war.

Why leave a perfectly good job and undertake the dangerous and unpleasant duties, when one could be a perfectly respectable American citizen without enlisting?

And yet it was the fashion to call these perfectly respectable Americans slackers and pacifists and draft-doggers. Why use such unpleasant language toward these very amiable young men who wished to mind their own business and avoid unpleasant complications

It was merely because a certain important job had to be done, and public sentiment demanded that all young men should be willing to assist in doing it.

The U.S.A. decided that a certain job had to be done, and justly decided that no one should be excused from doing his share of that job.

What is the Church? It is that institution which founded to do battle with the world, the flesh and the devil.

He called for volunteers and told them to follow Him, and He then led them through much tribulation and the blood of the Cross to the victory of the Resurrection. He calls to those who hunger and thirst after righteousness to take part in that battle and to fight manfully under His banner unto their lives' end.

For three hundred years His followers fought a terrible battle.

On the one side was all the egotistical pride and tyrannical cruelty of the Hun. Only in the Roman Empire imperial insolence was the rule and not the exception. And there was no one to raise a single word against it except the Christian Church. It was apparently a ridiculous battle. Just a few women and children and a handful of men against the trained legion and brutal mobs of the Roman Empire.

Certainly, then, the timid and the self-seeking did not enroll themselves in the ranks of the Nazarene.

There was no social distinction nor profitable association in belonging to the Christian Church, and the danger was obvious. It was no place for the pacifist or slacker. But, nevertheless, in the providence of God the Christian Church won the battle, and those who were slain in Roman arenas did not die in vain.

The Christian Church has survived its ancient enemy for fifteen centuries, and the cause for which the Martyrs died is marching on stronger than ever before.

But the real enemy of Christ is not defeated. Caesars and Kaisers may come and go, but the devil is not defeated yet.

It is perfectly true that the Huns did some atrocious deeds, but there is no deed so fiendish that it cannot be match-

ed in the deeds done among us day by day.

The devil still goes about as a roaring lion, maltreating little children, abusing women, taking advantage of the weak.

There are over three million children in this nation who are employed in factory and field. Three million children to whom the Stars and Stripes do not guarantee the right to play and study, but under whose folds they can be exploited for profit. There are an equal number of women, who are the victims of men's greed and lust, in the sweat shops and houses of ill fame.

And what force is at work against this ancient enemy? Just one: The Church of Jesus Christ. Not always militant, but always ready to do battle when she can enlist faithful souls to fight against sin, the world and the devil.

The Church has not always been successful in her battle against evil, because she has not been able to enlist soldiers that would fight her battles. But on the other hand, the Church is the only institution that has ever won the battles against these enemies.

When the Church could command the allegiance of loyal souls, she could defy the powers of imperial Caesar and those of the prince of this world. Her power is not dead, but is still dependent upon those who will serve.

Why, then, should a man belong to the Church? And, if he belongs, why should his watchword be faithfulness?

Because God is not interested in your being merely a respectable citizen, unless you are willing to put those virtues at His service, any more than the U. S.A. is interested in the virtues unless they are at the service of your country.

The man who dodges his responsibility to Jesus Christ, by refusing to fight under His banner, must answer to God for his refusal to put his talents at God's service just as the young man who would not fight had to answer to the government for his innocuous desuetude. If this is a moral world, Almighty God expects you to take side in the battle.

But the average man does not see the relation that going to church has to this battle.

Parish Notes

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THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void

It is such a dull, dreary duty.

So the average soldier chafed at his confinement in the training camp.

The Church is a cantonment. Its duties are like those of the cantonment. Many a young fellow failed to see what relation marching many miles with a gun on his shoulders, and performing many senseless evolutions, had to killing Huns.

Of course it was training, because every one knew that to send untrained soldiers against the Germans would be folly.

So saying your prayers and making Communion and reading your Bible and hearing sermons are not virtues, but training. They bear the same relation to virtues that playing the scale bears to music.

It is true that the well-trained soldier may be more or less overbearing, but he is a good soldier. In the same way, not every man who goes to church is a lovable person, but whatever talents he has are co-ordinated and used for the general purpose, and the wonder is not that the Church does so little, but, considering the number of men who take their religious training seriously, the wonder is that the Church has done so much.

Every army is dependent for its existence on the number and caliber of the soldiers who enlist.

I am constantly reminded that the *vast number of important men in the community are slackers*, so far as the call of the Church is concerned. That so many churches have to do their work by means of women and children may affect the quality of the work done, but it is not the fault of those who do enlist.

When you compare what the Church has done for the moral and spiritual uplift of the world with what all other organizations have done, it is difficult to find any competitors.

Here again the question is one of whether Christ is your Master, and whether you are willing to follow Him in battle which He leads, in the way in which He bade you to follow Him, or whether you prefer to ignore His command and substitute something else for His body of the faithful.

Not many of our boys at the front were decorated for distinguished service,

because not many of them had the opportunity to do a heroic act that could be publicly commended; but nearly every boy there would have received the cross if he had had the opportunity for nearly every boy had been so well trained that he needed only the opportunity to do the unusual deed of valor.

It is the same way in the Church. Christ taught us to consecrate the commonplace. To give the cup of cold water in His name, not for our own glory, and to do the commonplace so well that when the opportunity for doing the extraordinary deed comes, we will be found trained to do that thing.

We all alike must experience pain, sorrow, weariness, death. No one escapes these enemies to peace.

It is not what happens to us, but how we take the things that happen, which really matters. The man trained in Christ can bear all things through Christ, who strengthens him. The man who neglects the discipline of the Christian life is unprepared for the great sacrifices which he must make in order to win the battle of life.

The Church is a training camp in which to learn how to be soldiers, and I challenge those who boast that they belong to the "big church" (that is those who belong to none), to show what the "big church" has accomplished for mankind. If it is big, it is a bluff, for the burden and heat of the day in bearing the message of kindness and sympathy to the world has been done by those who received their training and inspiration in the Church of the Living God.

Jesus Christ was alone in leading the movement which united men in a great fraternity whose object was to reverence God and bind up the wounds of society. It has done this, not perfectly, but just as well as the human element in the Church would consecrate itself to the purpose for which Christ died.

The question for you my slacker friend, is not how well others have co-operated with Christ in doing this work, but how much you yourself are doing to make the ideals of Jesus Christ the working plan of human society.

You may not be able to do much; few of us are; few soldiers could individually do much to win the war, but because each did his best the war was won.

You can do your best, or you can be a slacker. It is up to each man to choose his part and to do his share.

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Kalendar for July and August

July 6. Third Sunday after Trinity.
 July 13. Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
 July 20. Fifth Sunday after Trinity.
 July 23. St. James, Apostle.
 July 27. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
 Aug. 3. Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
 Aug. 6. Transfiguration.
 Aug. 10. Eighth Sunday after Trinity.
 Aug. 17. Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
 Aug. 24. St. Bartholomew, Apostle.
 Tenth Sunday after Trinity.
 Aug. 31. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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The next issue of the Chimes will be in September. All Parish Societies will be expected to make their announcements for the fall work in that issue.

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A Parish Meeting Next Fall

A parish meeting for all members in the Parish, will be held early next fall.

The Parish meeting last fall was very largely attended and it is hoped that the next meeting will have even a larger attendance.

The date of the meeting will be announced later.

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Poor Children's Outing Fund

The amount received to date for the Poor Children's Outing Fund is \$127.30. This will send about forty-two children to the Country for one week. Persons who have not given to this worthy charity may send their contributions to the Warden, J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave. Germantown.

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Shall We Stand or Fall?

By the Ven. W. L. Davis.

Not long ago one of my people asked me why it was that a certain priest at the presentation of the offering raised the plate above his head.

I replied that I did not know unless it was that he wished to demonstrate to the congregation that its offering was not so heavy but what he could lift it, or that perhaps he wanted to get it up where God could see it.

I have been in attendance upon services where it took Two wardens, Two vestrymen, An acolyte, The assistant minister, The Rector, and A bishop to get the offering (?) up onto the altar, each in turn taking a pull at it, while the congregation and choir vied one with the other in singing: "All things come of Thee, O Lord," or "Holy offerings rich and rare."

That reminds me of a true story.

A number of years ago when elaborate presentations came in vogue, an elder priest of the Church was officiating in one of the then "up-to-date" churches, and at the time of the presentation of the alms the choir sang with great gusto the afore-mentioned "All things come of Thee, O Lord." During the preformance the old priest stood scowling at the plate, and as the choir finished he turned to the congregation with this remark: "Big fuss to make over forty-three cents!"

But seriously, is it not about time that we hear again that much neglected offertory sentence ". . . Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

And for a season—say until our missionary apportionment are paid—would it not be well, in place of standing at the presentation, that priest and people alike fall low on their knees with the petition on their lips. "God have mercy on our stingy souls"?

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Parish Committee

Under direction of the Rector, the Parish Committee are planning a call on the members of the Parish who have been dilatory in attendance in Church. This call will be made at the renewal of Church activity in September next.

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The Carnival

The Carnival held on the Parish grounds was financially a success. But

we regret to say not an interest success. The total profits realized to date are close to \$250.

After being disappointed by rain on the appointed night it was postponed until the following day. We hoped to bring it to a bigger success but on account of a shower about half way through it developed to a Childrens frolic. The small amount of interest shown by the older members who should be interested kept us from the goal tried. But battling with weather and lack of interest the affair was more successful than supposed.

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The Junior Brotherhood

The night of June Wednesday the eighteenth was the wind up meeting of the chapter. The work done has on all sides proved successful. We have now fifteen members grown from five.

The chapter has not only made a success for itself but it has created a new spirit that shows that our Parish is not "dead."

During the year we brought new phases of social activities such as athletics. It has also not forgotten its duties to the Church being supplying ushers and other offices that were needed to be filled.

At the meeting mentioned it was decided that the whole chapter take "a dozen to the shore." No more work could be mentioned so with three cheers for Mr. Lening and another for the Chapter we disbanded after the meeting. Mr. Lening was chosen and sanctioned by Mr. Arndt as our next seasons director.

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The Dramatic Club has discontinued for the summer and will open up in the fall with a series of plays. The Club needs another coach, who will offer? It needs you bad.

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The subscriptions to the charities have been too slack, more money is needed to bring the year to a close. All money is payable to Robert Carment 6373 Sherman street. Fifty cents or over.

July 1, 1919.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
 Christ Church Gtn.

My dear Mr. Arndt,

Now that the Liberty Loans are closed and dried and the 700 men whose stars graced the Service Flag at Philadelphia Boy Scout Headquarters are returning we feel justified in beginning what I have repeatedly told you we would begin as soon as the time was ripe—namely an aggressive advertising campaign for Boy Scout troop 153. You were kind enough to write that troop to hold its meeting at Christ Church and for almost a year we have held our weekly meetings there every Monday night. We have purposely been very quiet about it but right here and now the racket of an advertising campaign begins and this letter is simply the opening gun.

You say that the men of the Church would like to help the troop and you want me to set forth our needs.

1. Financial Need No Dollars and No Cents.

The boys will not even permit me to pay dues despite the fact that I am their Scoutmaster. "We pay our own way" is their financial policy. They have as yet never thought of enough things to do to spend their income. Later on if we are ambitious we may send one of our members through college and that may necessitate a minstrel show or more to raise the funds. But as for the regular conduct of the troop, we are in the strongest kind of position financially.

2. We need a Troop Committee.

This committee can be composed of any number of men. A man needs no knowledge of Scouting to serve in this capacity. Each man can be assigned a specific task in direct contact with the boys and the information required can be acquired in a short time.

3. We need a Trained Nurse.

First Aid and Bandaging are essential parts of the Scout program.

4. We need a man to teach Angling.

There must be some one in the Church or in its vicinity who loves to go "a fishing." We need him to teach boys how to cast 70 feet. This can be done by

casting toward a peg driven in the ground.

5. We need a man to teach Architecture so that the Scouts can win that merit badge.

6. We need a man to take the Scouts on an Astronomy hike.

7. We need an athletic to teach Athletics.

8. We need badly a man to teach Scouts all there is to know about Automobiles including Courtesy of the Road.

9. We have a man to teach Aviation. One of our Assistant Scoutmasters returns to us in the fall as an American Ace. He was trained in Aviation as a boy. When he was a Scout he won the merit badge in Aviation. He is just as good at Scouting in general as he is flying.

10. We need a Physician who will volunteer to examine every boy who comes into the troop. This examination should be rigid and exhaustive.

11. We need a man to conduct Bird Study hikes.

12. We need a man to train several boys in Bugling. One of our Scouts who was a past master at the bugle moved out of the city.

13. We need an "ordinary every day in the week" business man to train boys for the merit badge of business.

14. We need a feidman of exceptional character each of whom would be willing once a year to take the Scouts camping over one night. The trip down the Rancocas Creek or the trip to Treasure Island over several days will require the expert knowledge of our own Scoutmasters.

15. We need a man who is a good carpenter to teach the boys Carpentry.

16. We need a Chemist to teach them Chemistry.

17. We need badly a man to teach Wireless.

Next winter each day at 12.30 P. M. a wireless message will be sent from Boy Scout Headquarters covering fires, explosions catastrophies and all other requests for Boy Scout Emergency or other Service. We should "Be Prepared" to receive these messages direct so that by a system of patrols and relays we

could at an instants notice have the entire troop present in uniform at the seat of trouble.

Note—At the eddystone disaster the Scouts were there before the ambulances arrived.

18. Civics. We need not a man who gets red in the face and puffs up over his breakfast coffee as he reads in the newspapers of sedition. We do need a man who will get right at the root of the matter and teach Scouts Civics. To quote "Give satisfactory evidence that he is familiar with the constitution of the United States" page 46 Boy Scout Hand Book—Requirements in Civics.

And so on we need men to teach Conservation, Cooking, Bookbinding, Woodcarving, Electricity, First Aid, Forestry, Life Saving, Machinery, Marksmanship, Mining, Music, Painting, Pathfinding, Personal Health, Photographing, Physical Development, Plumbing, Poultry Keeping, Printing, Public Health, Safety First, Scholarship, Sculpture, Signalling, Stalking, Surveying, Swimming, etc. etc.

Now if I were a man reading this letter I should run my eye over the topics mentioned and when I came to Astronomy I'd stop and think because one of my hobbies is Astronomy. Then I'd say to myself—"It would be a lot of fun to train a few Scouts for that badge and it would be still better to go to City Hall on Court of Honor night to see those boys when they received the merit badges for which I had trained them."

Then I'd quit thinking and talking to myself. I'd do something; because all the success I've had in this life has resulted from only those thoughts that I put into action. And this is what I'd do. I'd call up Germantown 1120 and I'd say to the man who answered the phone. "My name is Smith. You don't know me from a bunch of beets. Astronomy is my hobby. Scouts meet Monday night. I'll be there. I can't come every Monday but I'll teach Astronomy till some boy's mind is expanded and his imagination is carried far far out into the very home of the Comets."

The writer is merit badge examiner in Astronomy and you would be surprised to see what those Scouts know about the

stars. They take to it almost as naturally as they do to signalling. All of the activities mentioned above the boys are willing and anxious to develop in their club; it is a club with a purpose. The saloon was a club without a purpose.

One of the Scout purposes was the Liberty Loans. You may not know that the troop in question sold \$47,500 worth in the Fourth and \$99,000 in the Victory Loan. The Scouts of Philadelphia sold \$10,250,000 to over 50,000 customers. It is a lot of fun to work with a bunch of boys that tackle big things and put them across. I know the men will enjoy the time that they find for Scouting.

Now some boy may read this letter. Hello there boy! How old are you? If you are over twelve you can be a Scout. You are the fellow that I'm interested in. These men are all right but most of them are dead from the neck up. Give me a boy any day in the week when you are looking for "pep". Sure you can come to our troop. The fellows will want to give you the "once over" for a week or two and then they will hold an election. If they think you will make good they will elect you.

Social standing? Your social standing has nothing to do with it. You may be one of these guys whose aunt dresses him up when he's ten years old in a starched sailor suit with long pants and a blue ribbon round his hat. You may be worth millions and millions of dollars. That won't make us mad. What we want to know is this—can you tie eight knots and name them? Do you know the customary signs of respect due to the flag? If you don't, come any way. We'll teach you. Do you know how to be reverent in a Church? We don't care what Church your mother wants you to attend with her. We are more interested to know whether you have respect for the religious views of others. Scouting is non-sectarian. Well, you'll know more about all this when you get there and after you get to know the fellows by taking a few hikes with the bunch. Here's the dope—Monday nights—door farthest north right next to a playground—Christ Church McCallum and

Tulpehocken Sts. So long, I'll meet you at McCallum and "Tulpey."

Well, Mr. Arndt, that boy is fixed up; He will be there. He will come by the dozen. The responsibility that I feel in inviting him to our door is tremendous. He comes impelled by the best that is in him. Just what draws him most is the Scout program I do not know. But I have long since been aware that the second part of the Scout Oath was inspired by a carpenter's boy who grew up and became a great leader. You and I worship Him.

Listen:—

"On my honor I will do my best—

1. To do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the Scout law;
2. To help other people at all times.
3. To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight."

Sincerely yours,

Geo. I. Bodine Jr.

Scoutmaster.



Christianity the World's Hope

(From the Convention Address of the Bishop of Sacramento).

Christianity is the one hope of a world whose old ideals have been shattered by the great war. Christianity believes that the Golden Rule applies to nations and races as truly as to individuals, and what is more, Christianity gives power through the grace of the living Christ to enable men to practice it.

We know that diplomacy will never save the world, nor military strength, nor commercial expansion, nor higher education; that the League of Nations, itself the ripest fruit of Christianity, cannot secure lasting peace unless continuously inspired by the Spirit of Christ. Nothing will suffice but the complete Christianizing of the great nations, and the extending of the forces of pure Christianity through the non-Christian world.

Christianity alone can lift the nations out of their mutual jealousies, suspicions and greed and enable them to go forward together to peaceful, prosperous world. We have a Christ so large that He requires all the races through which to reveal Himself in His fulness.

Sunday Baseball

It is interesting to note that in the letter of our English correspondent, in the Rhode Island letter and, during the week, in the news columns of the daily press, we find appearing a controversy over Sunday games. In England it is cricket; in America, naturally, it is baseball.

The Bishop of Rhode Island and the clergy who have entered the controversy there did not oppose professional baseball. The distinction is decidedly in the interest of a Christian Sunday. The opening of the baseball parks for amateur games is quite proper and right. No one attempts to prohibit Sunday golf. No one has the right, on Christian grounds, to oppose amateur games on Sunday. But professional Sunday baseball introduces rowdiness, increasing the labors of motormen and, generally speaking, dishevels our day of rest. In Rhode Island the bill for Sunday baseball, we are informed, was pressed by men financially interested in the park.

There are, it must be noted, religious organizations which are opposed to any kind of baseball on Sunday. They would, if they could do so, compel people either to attend Church on Sunday or twirl their thumbs in boredom. The Church is not concerned with the problem of whether people ought to fish, play ball or golf on Sunday. What the Church is concerned with is that people shall worship on Sunday. It is business of Christianity to make worship appeal to the consciences and hearts of the people. It is in the interest neither of morality nor religion to penalize those who wish to take innocent diversion on Sunday. We recall that it was said of old that all the people wept when they heard the law. It is not wrong to be happy and it is not religious to be bored. The laws

of Sunday keeping ought not to make Christians weep when they hear them read.

**Family Prayers**

There is one mark of a household in which God is known and loved, which is too often wanting in our day—I mean the practice of family Prayer. Depend upon it the worth of practice of that kind can only be measured by its effects during a long period of time, and family prayers, though occupying only a few minutes, do make a great difference to any household at the end of the year. How indeed can it be otherwise when each morning, and perhaps each evening, too, all the members of the family, the old and the young, the parents and the children, meet on a footing of perfect equality before the Eternal, in Whose presence each is nothing, or less than nothing, yet to Whom each is so indefinitely dear, that He has redeemed by His blood each and all of them. How must not the bad spirits that are the enemies of pre and bright family life flee away—the spirits of envy and pride and untruthfulness and sloth, and the whole tribe of evil thoughts, and make way for His gracious presence in the hearts of old and young alike, who as He brings us one by one, nearer to the true end of our existence, so does He and He alone, make us to be “of one mind in alouse.” Here within the narrow presence of each home circle, and hereafter in that countless family of all tongues, which shall dwell with Him, nations and kindreds and people and the universal Parent of all eternity.—*Canon Lidon.*

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The Rector's Notes

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Beginning This Fall

Now that vacation days are ended I hope to see all members of Christ Church regularly in their places in the House of God. I trust that each one of us is taking up his life again this fall with higher ideals and nobler purposes. The world is calling, as it never called before, for true, unselfish consecrated men and women. The source of all truth, all unselfish, consecrated service is Christ; and the Church, instituted by Christ Himself, is the means, the channel by which and through which His life and His power is conveyed. "Without me says Christ ye can do nothing."

Let us remember this, my friend, and let each one of us, resolve this fall, to be more regular in our religious duties, more faithful in our Communion, more, unselfish and more zealous in our Christian work. I most earnestly pray—yes, let all of us most earnestly pray—that God's Holy Spirit may come with power into each life in this Parish, to arouse the indifferent, to raise the fallen, to strengthen the weak, to give patience, and courage to the faithful; that all may be filled more and more with the *love of Christ*, which will be manifested in prompt, unselfish, consecrated service.

There is one thing that every member can do; that every one *should* do; and that is to be a home missionary, to in-

vite and to try to influence persons in your neighborhood to attend your Church. There is one member in this parish who has interested a score of persons in Christ Church and Sunday School. There are others to whom, it would seem, it has never occurred that they had the least responsibility of sharing their religion with their neighbor. What a blessing it would bring, both to themselves and to others, if they were alive to this responsibility!

Let every member of Christ Church resolve, this fall, to share with others their religious privileges. Let every member of Christ Church make the following resolution: "*I resolve that, for eight months, beginning now, I will make an effort each week to bring at least, one person in my neighborhood, to Church with me*"

Every member can, at least, try to do this much.

Let every one conscientiously try to do all they can this winter to bring others with them to church. By persistent effort and by prayer miracles follow!

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Strangers and Occasional Attendants

The Rector is pleased to see and to welcome the strangers and occasional worshippers who attend the Services of Christ Church. He is disappointed, however, that these strangers who attend occasionally, continue to remain "strang-

ers". He is very anxious to meet them personally and to invite them to identify themselves with the Parish.

The Parish needs the co-operation of every one and every one needs a "Church Home." No one ought to be content to remain an "outsider," without a Church which he can call his own.

There are many religious people "going through life without a home." This is a wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that all in this community, who are not settled in any Church, will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and to welcome them to Christ Church. Do not delay longer. *Do it now!*

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A Missionary Campaign

As has been previously announced in these columns, "a nation wide campaign" will be inaugurated throughout the Church to arouse the interest of all its members in the great missionary work of the Church. Every member in every parish in the land will be asked to "show their faith by their works." It is a startling fact, revealed by a survey of the Church recently made by the Central Committee in charge of the Campaign, that less than one quarter of the million and a quarter communicants of the Church are regular contributors to the work of the Church. What a reproach this is upon our Church and upon our Christianity!

Lewis B. Franklin, who as Director of the War Loan Organization of the Treasury Department had charge of the great organization which managed the four Liberty Loan campaigns of the Great War, as well as the campaign for the Victory Loan floated following the signing of the armistice, has assumed charge, in a volunteer capacity, of the Every Member Canvass of the Nation-Wide Campaign of the Episcopal Church.

Mr. Franklin's enlistment in the Nation-wide movement to muster the full resources of the Episcopal Church for national service in the after-the-war reconstruction, adds one more notable re-

cruit from the ranks of leading men of affairs in New York and elsewhere who have joined hands with the clergy in the promotion of a practical, efficient religion to meet the demands of the new era. It is a movement, Mr. Franklin declared yesterday, which, while not sacrificing any of the spiritual aims of the Church, seeks, by a co-ordination of effort, an economic business administration, and a recognition of the real fellowship of man emphasized by the war, to bring religion and the Church into the closest touch with the spirit of the times.

Mr. Franklin will direct the canvass of the eighty-seven dioceses of the Episcopal Church in the United States for the unique and unprecedented attempt on a given date, to have every person whose name is enrolled on the membership list of the Church personally visited and urged to a reawakened interest in Church work and the responsibilities of Christian citizenship in coping with the problem which the nation faces.

"Aren't we laymen tired of having our rectors always coming to us for money when their business is something else entirely?" he asked. "Don't rely on church attendance, a campaign sermon, or merely passing the collection plate, to get the campaign budget. You will miss the very people who need this campaign the most for after all this is not a campaign so much for money as it is a revival of the Church. Do not wait either until December to make your canvass. Much of the success of the Liberty Loan Campaigns was due to careful preliminary canvasses."

"It seems to me," he said, "that the work is similar to what was done in Washington in organizing for the Loan Campaigns. In those campaigns we made the Federal Reserve District the unit of organization; but in this campaign it is plain that the Diocese will have to be the unit. I believe in the utmost measure of home rule in connection with such work. The job of the central office is to help out in organizing the diocesan committees, advising and supplying speakers and information, but in each diocese the chosen leader ought to do the active directing in accordance with

local conditions. I see no reason why enthusiasm cannot be created for this splendid movement precisely as it was for the loans. The people will always respond where the cause is good and I can see nothing that is not only good but necessary to the welfare of the whole people in a Church movement which seeks to inform the mind and awaken the conscience of the people for national betterment."

Like the scores of other prominent laymen who in this movement are sacrificing business interests to promote the success of the campaign, Mr. Franklin is earnestly in favor of a large participation by business men in the work of the Church. He said yesterday:

"I think one of the greatest mistakes made in the administration of the churches is in leaving their financial affairs in the hands of the clergy. They are called to higher duties than that of raising money, and money is the last thing they ought to be compelled to think about. It is a shame to have clergymen going about constantly with hat in hand, begging for funds. The business of the Church ought to be run by business men, and I believe if it can be arranged that in every diocese and parish of the Episcopal Church throughout the land there shall be a layman, a successful business man, entrusted with the task of managing the business and finances of the Church, the Church will prosper to a degree not hitherto attained, the needed funds will be raised in a dignified way and the odium of constant begging will be lifted from it."

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The General Convention

THE GENERAL CONVENTION

The triennial Convention of the Church will assemble in Detroit on October 8th. There will be many important matters come before the Convention and all intelligent Churchmen should be well informed concerning them. The reports in the daily paper are frequently inaccurate or distorted and persons who depend upon these sources for their information concerning church matter are often seriously misled. Every Churchman

should subscribe to one of the national Church papers, especially at this time of the meeting of the General Convention. The four Church national weeklies, *The Churchman*, *The Living Church*, *The Southern Churchman* and *The Witness* are making special rates at this time.

Subscriptions may be received from these papers direct; or the Rector will be pleased to order for any parishioner desiring to subscribe, at reduced rates.

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Shall The Chimes Be Continued?

With this number closes the nineteenth volume of the "Christ Church Chimes."

For nineteen consecutive years this parish paper has been published without interruption. We are informed that the Chimes is the only parish paper in the Diocese with such a record. It has required effort, hard, persistent effort, and, at times, some sacrifice. We believe, however, that it has "paid"—not in dollars and cents, for the amount of subscriptions has never been enough to defray the expenses, but in a broader and higher sense. The people of the parish have come to look for the Chimes and to depend upon it. It would be missed if its publication were discontinued.

All subscriptions end with this issue. Shall the Chimes now be discontinued? The answer depends upon the amount received in subscriptions and contributions. It is desired that the Chimes be read by every member of the Parish. To this end, the price of subscription has not been increased, notwithstanding the greatly increased cost of paper and printing. It is necessary, therefore, in addition to amount received from subscriptions, that we receive the generous "contribution" from persons who are willing to assist in meeting the deficiency. Will every member of the Parish please remember to renew subscription at once and those, who are disposed to do so, kindly send their contribution to Robert Carmint, Sherman Street or to the Rector?

Acknowledgement will be made to subscribers and contributors in the next issue of the Chimes,—if sufficient amount

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
The Chimes will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.
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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

is realized to warrant continuance of publication. Otherwise the money will be returned to the senders.

Subscription for the year, 50 cents. Mailed, 60 cents. Contributions—unlimited in amount! Thank you!!

Mr. Gurley's Return

Mr. Richard H. Gurley has returned from two years' service in France and has taken up his work in the Parish as lay assistant to the Rector.

He is welcomed back by his host of friends in the Parish. Mr. Gurley's continuance in his work here is contingent upon the decision of the Bishop and the Standing Committee in regard to the date of his ordination. It is hoped that a definite decision may be arrived at very soon.

Every Member--Parish Meeting
October 15th

A Parish Meeting will be held in the Parish House on Wednesday evening, October 15th at eight o'clock, when every member and attendant at Christ Church is asked to be present.

This meeting will be similar in character to the very successful Parish Meeting held last year. The object of the meeting will be, first: to present the work, plans and needs of each Society in the Parish. (A five minute talk will be given by a representative of each organization.)

Second: to discuss ways and means by which the work of the Parish may be improved and extended.

Third: to afford an opportunity for the members and attendants at Christ Church to meet together in a social gathering as members of a "Parish family," whose work and interest are one in common—the spread of the Kingdom of Christ on earth.

Every member and attendant at the Church should consider this our opportunity to show an interest in the work of the Parish by attending this meeting. Refreshments will be served and both a profitable and a pleasant evening is in store for all.

Every one, remember the date and be sure to be present, —Wednesday evening, October 15th, at eight o'clock in the Parish House.

The Church Painted

During the past summer the wood-work on the exterior of the Church has been put in good condition and repainted. The appearance of the Church is much improved.

Now—how about the interior of the Church? It needs painting badly! The Carnival given last Spring by the boys of the Athletic Association netted \$250.00 for this purpose and the money is now in the Warden's hands waiting to be increased to a sufficient amount.

What person, or persons, or Parish Society will volunteer for this good work?

THE INTERIOR OF OUR CHURCH RENOVATED AND REPAINTED BY NEXT SUMMER!! This is the goal! To whom will the honor fall? The Rector will be pleased to receive the name!

Parish Societies Are Meeting

The various societies of the parish are re-assembling after the summer vacation and are entering upon the winter's work. All members should re-enlist at once and resolve to be regular and faithful in their attendance and work.

New comers into the Parish are cordially invited to identify themselves with some department of the Parish activities and will be welcomed to membership into any of the societies of the Parish.

The Rector will be glad to meet new comers into the Parish who wish to cooperate in any of the Societies of the Parish Guild.

Workers are greatly needed and there is room and a welcome for all.

Girls' Friendly Society

The "COME BACK" call to the G. F. S. Branch of Christ Church, has gone forth and we are looking forward to a big reorganization meeting on "Tuesday", (remember the good times we have

had on Tuesday nights) October the seventh, at eight o'clock.

Come Girls—This is the chance for all girls, old members and new, to show an interest in one of the *greatest organizations for girls in the world*—the Girls Friendly Society. Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, one of the most beloved women of the Parish will be our Branch Secretary, and with her will be associated several other women. Spread the good news, all you who read this announcement. Let no body be missed! Tuesday, evening October 7th!

Girl Scouts

The Girl Scouts have been meeting every other Friday evening during the summer with an average attendance of about eight or ten girls. This is quite good when the hot weather and the number of families away for the summer are taken into consideration.

Mr. Philip Thuriug drilled the girls a number of times and it was a wonderful help to have real military drill. Unfortunately for us Mr. Thuriug is away at College and so cannot continue the work. Is there anyone in our Parish who would be willing to take up this work? We would be very glad to hear from anyone who would volunteer to help us.

We are planning to have another benefit at the Rialto Theater about the third week in October. May we not count on those who helped us last year and others who are also interested in Girls to make this a most successful affair? The money earned will be used for suits and to give the girls good times they could not have otherwise.

Work has already started with a vim with the beginning of our every Friday program. We are hoping to make big strides in our work and there are lots of good times in store for the winter.

This is the society for the younger girl and any girl of ten years and over will be heartily welcomed any Friday evening at 7.45.

E. C.

A Personal Letter From the Accounting Warden to the Rector

May 29, 1919

My dear Mr. Arndt:—

The following is a list of members of Christ Church who turned in service cards at the Every Member Campaign, but none of these parties agreed to contribute through the envelopes, Viz:

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The Every Member Campaign Committee therefore are not in position to call upon these people to send in pledge cards, because they have already sent them in. The question, therefore, comes up as to just how the matter of systematic support of the Parish should be taken up with these people. It seems to me that as these pledge cards have been sent to you it is a matter that you should talk to them about.

In these strenuous times every member ought to systematically support the church through envelopes; they should also give to missions. It is clear that if they are not supporting the church through the envelopes they are not giving one penny to missions, because that is the only way that the support of missions is handled in our church. The envelope contributors number about 60 per cent of our people, and these people give about \$4,000.00 a year; the other 40 per cent, through the plate, give \$600.00 a year. It is, therefore, clear that those who are supporting the church through the envelopes are really carrying the load of those who refuse to contribute in this systematic way, and this matter should be made so plain to these people that they would join in this systematic support of the church through the envelope plan.

Yours very truly,

J. I. MORRISON

Chairman of Sub-Committee, Every Member Campaign Committee.

The United Offering

All contributions to the Offering should be sent to the Parish Treasurer Mrs. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview ave.; so that they may be sent to Mrs. North, the Diocesan Treasurer, and by her presented at the great Presentation Service in Detroit in October.

More women in the Parish are using the little Blue Box, for their offerings than ever before, and are, in consequence getting over the idea of giving a certain sum each time. There is no set amount for the offering. It is not fifty cents, nor one dollar, nor two dollars. It is a thank offering from the women of the Church for the women in the Mission Field, and it is used for salaries, for sick benefits and for a pension fund, occasionally for some much needed building.

It is a great privilege to have a share in this offering and should never be a burden. Small sums are put in the box at regular intervals or at any convenient times, always with prayer, and thanksgiving for some blessing received.

When the collection times comes, the offering is all ready in the little Blue Box, and its contribution affects neither the pocket book, nor the bank account.

Have you a Little Blue Box? If you have not please ask for one, from the treasurer.

A. M. M.

The Sunday School

With these real autumn days reminding us that summer is over, our thoughts run to the resumption of full activities by the Sunday School, which will be commenced on Rally Sunday, September 21st.

The Sunday School has held summer

sessions every Sunday during the summer, and as we look back over the season there seems to very much to be grateful for. The attendance of scholars and teachers has been most promising and compared with recent former years has been exceptional. An especially interesting feature of these sessions has been the several talks given by some of our young men and women of their experiences in this country and abroad during the Great War.

These little homely talks, not lectures, were greatly enjoyed and thoroughly appreciated by all the members of the Sunday School who were privileged to hear them, and the thanks of the School is extended to those who thus favored us, as well as our hearty congratulations upon their happy return to their home country.

As we review the summer months now passed into history, we are impressed with the great promise for the future which the summer sessions seems to indicate.

The attendance has been good, the faithfulness of some, aye many, scholars being the outstanding feature; but more hopeful than even the attendance has been the spirit which seemed to pervade the school. This has been evidenced by the splendid record maintained of offerings by the School, for while the attendance was kept well above former years, the offerings were double, triple and almost quadruple those of former times.

With all interested in the Sunday School uniting their efforts under the magnetic and persuasive influence of our Superintendent, the coming season should be a red letter one for the School.

But we still need help. Will not those who have the opportunity let us show them how they can help us.

U. S. G.

"Every Fellow Knows"

It takes a right exciting story to cause the right sort of boy to quiet down for a few minutes and curl up on mother's best counterpane or on any other equally forbidden spot—and read that story then. We won't promise anything about *this* little story but when we say its about fishing and swimming and baseball and flying and fooling with telegraph things and basketball and all kinds of games and "hikes" and cooking meals in the woods—yes—and eating 'em too—and pitching tents and everything—it looks as if most any boy would read it. Then, after he's read it—he'll want to know who's going to do all this and where he can get in on the fun. Well, before we begin our story—maybe we better say that Troop 153 of the Boy Scouts of America met in our Parish House a few nights ago and the boys of it are going to do all these things and lots more. Now, feller, if you're thinking you'd like to come in and get this fun—they want *you*—Whether you're an Episcopalian or a Presbyterian or a Baptist or a Buddhist or any other thing which you oughtn't to be at your age—that makes no difference. The one thing necessary is to be a red-blooded boy—that's what they want.

Maybe, after all, instead of writing our story we better let you come around and see for yourself what fun there is ahead of you—Come tomorrow night (Monday) at 7.30 to the Parish House of Christ Church.

Tell mother you'll be home soon after nine and she needn't worry 'cause this thing's going to make the best kind of a man out of you. Tell both your parents to make sure they don't let you forget the meeting time and place. Come and, honest, you'll have the best times ever. What do you say?

Do You Know?

The name and address in the Bible of the woman who watched all night beside the bodies of seven men two of them were her sons,—killed by a somewhat temperamental king—and alone and unaided kept the vultures and the wild beasts from eating them? You'd say right off there wasn't any such a character in the Bible wouldn't you? Well—that's what *we* said—and we were wrong—though we've read the Book until our eyes ached. All of which is to say that there's a whole lot in the Bible yet to learn and when some day soon some one of these precocious children (your own or one of your friends') says "Mister, who was—and what did he do in the Great War of 681 B. C." You'll have to say "I don't know. It isn't in my Bible." And then said p. c. will find the chapter and verse and another perfectly good hero will be cut off the child's list of Famous Men. Fortunately—there's a place and a time you can learn all these things.

The Men's Bible Class of this Church start next Sunday with a study of the Hidden Heroes of the Bible. Every Sunday, rain or shine, at 9.45 a.m. in our Parish House. And if you know of any of these Heroes whom you're found and you think we would miss in our study be sure and tell the leader so all of us can learn about him.

By the way—have you heard about our Men's Class? We're getting a good start again for the year's work and nothing would please us better than to have you come and join us. As they say so often when the fact is they don't know how to write it out in French.

R.S.V.P.

Which means, "Let's hear from you."

All men welcome—every Sunday a. m. in Parish House at 9.45 o'clock.

**Let Loose in Luxemburg**

Reminiscences by Richard H. Gurley
Written for the Chimes

Have you ever witnessed the rather elaborate ceremony that takes place when a young woman of the Duchy of Luxemburg decides that she has lived long enough by herself and goes out and gathers unto herself a husband whether he will or no and then invites all and sundry in to see how easy it is for any real woman to manage a man? Well, the chances are that this interesting as well as, from the viewpoint of an innocent bystander—really amusing sight has escaped your experience—so let me tell you about it.

About the 15th day of last December a certain section of our Good American army—having just spent the night in the village of Kohstol decided, as armies do, to take a country stroll of about 30 miles in the direction of Germany. Packing all the available luggage on the backs of the men so as to be sure that the mules would not wear out—they took to the road at the hour of 7 a.m. and by noon had 2 hills, 5 forests and one mountain to their credit. How I should like to dwell upon the incidents of such a march—the mountain trails—the mutinous mules—the colorful conversation of those who drive them—the rests by the roadside—the curious natives—the stragglers—but no—Romance is calling and the historian's pen must hurry on, satisfied with the mere mention of these things so familiar to the army pedestrian.

A short halt for dinner by the roadside—a few more hills, from the crests of which we see scenery such as one upon the heights of Pisgah saw—then valleys bright with the luxury of unscorched

soil and free from any sign of war's accursed hand—and so we come to the village of Roodt—some 15 miles to the northeast of the city of Luxemburg—and *here* Romance has established her G. H. Q.

Having spread the simple soldiers gracefully and equally around among the stables and barns and haylofts and expig-stys of the village and having quartered themselves as comfortably as very limited accommodations would permit—our officers and our army now fall into second place in our story and Romance comes into her own.

The "City Hall" of the village—with the Duchy's Coat-of-arms on every window pane and the heavy oak table and chairs each beautifully carved and decorated with the Seal of Luxemburg—with the large and ornamented book shelves whereon are resting the archives of the village of Roodt from the time of Julius Caesar with the hugh oaken chests under the window seats—chests which the simple soldiers, American, are sure contain bags of gold—the village treasury—such is the room which Intelligence—in the name of the Billeting Officer—selects as the Battalion Infirmary. Herein one stormy evening the sick were gathered again planning how to die painlessly and thus never have to march again, when there came a bold knocking upon the door. Climbing over the forms of sleeping men one, braver than the rest, essayed to open it—and there upon the threshold stood—the fairest of the fair—hungrily—she scanned the scene before her—dimly illumined by one of the Burgo-meisters best candles—more angrily she turned to that which stood beside her—a mere man—and demanded with vigorous gestures many things which nobody understood—and most angrily—she turned again to some fifteen other mere men—

Americans—by this time fully aroused—and demanded in high, low and middle German, Freich and Esperanto how in somebody's name we dared to use her Town Hall for a Public Dormitory. Fifteen heavy silences greeted her—fifteen men—mere men—were dumb—then ignorance—before the untemper tempest—Then ordering her possession down the stairs—and vowing quick vengeance upon all men in general and her man in particular—the door slammed and she was gone—down the stairs and out into the night. Few but to the point were the remarks the soldiers made—"Man that was a fright! I thought I was home again!"—this from a husky young Irishman, twice decorated in one war and anticipating another. Soon—the silence of the tomb plus the noise of fifteen saws or pigs or whatever a snore sounds the most like—and then suddenly, a noise of many feet upon the stairs—the subdued but rapidly increasing Murmur of many voices—a loud and persistent hammering upon the door—a spring to (fire) arms on the part of every man inside—the door unfastened—flung rudely open—and *there*—is a good place to stop until the next issue of the Chimes when we shall discover how out of chaos came peace—out of confusion, order—and out of one mere man the promise to love honor and obey—principally obey—until his life's end.

(To be Continued)

Half-Hearted Christianity No Longer Adequate

Jesus Christ Must Dominate the Whole of Life.

The Rev. Robert W. Patton, D. D., national director of the Nation-Wide Campaign and Bishop Reese of Georgia spoke at a two-day conference of representatives of the Dioceses of Virginia, South-

ern Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, East Carolina and Asheville, which has just opened.

"The Episcopal Church stands for the recognition of the principles that nothing short of Christian government, Christian society and a Christian economic order must be developed at any cost," declared Dr. Patton. "Never in the history of civilization has there been so universal a recognition by thoughtful people that human progress must henceforth find its security in Christianity, not in a philosophy of life based upon materialism. The world war and the issues it raised cleared the atmosphere of confusion, and the alternative stands forth in all its brutal significance.

"We cannot deceive ourselves any longer by pretending that half-hearted Christianity, which does not involve great sacrifices, is adequate. Jesus Christ must dominate the whole of life or civilization based in the last analysis on a doctrine of self-interest, will assume control everywhere. Not only must there be individual Christians wholly consecrated to the Christian life, but we have arrived at the point where nothing short of Christian government, Christian society and a Christian economic order must be developed at any cost.

"The Nation-Wide Campaign stands for the recognition of these principles. In its conception it recognizes that the whole power of the Church must be mobilized as one whole if the end is to be realized. Its purpose is to inform the mind of every member of the Church in order that the whole Church may know what the problem is with all its implications, and through the knowledge thus imparted, make an equal appeal to the conscience and to the will of the Church to measure its strength against the task at whatever cost in life and treasure.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED.

Thoughts for All Saints' Day.

Professor Foley, of the Philadelphia Divinity School, a delegate from this Diocese to the Convention of the Church, lately held in Detroit, in replying to a delegate who objected to the proposed beautiful collect for "Memorial Days," said "of course we don't believe in prayers for the dead! But we DO believe in prayers for the departed, just because they are NOT DEAD!"

The newly adopted collect is as follows:

"For Memorial Days

"O Almighty God, God of the spirits of all flesh; We give thee thanks for those who have laid down their lives for home and country; And we commend them to thy fatherly care and protection, beseeching thee that we, with them may have our portion in the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN."

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The Rector is in receipt of the following letter from one of our parishioners

My dear Mr. Arndt:

I enclosed a poem sent me by a friend in Rhode Island. The author is a Presbyterian Minister of Edinburg. It seemed to me a remarkable poem, coming from a Presbyterian and I thought you might find room in the next issue of the "Chimes" for it.

Sincerely, — — —

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

O'er land and sea love follows with you a prayer,

Its dear ones in their trouble, grief, and care.

There is no spot,

On which it does not drop its tender dew,

Except the grave, "and there it bids adieu,"

And prayeth not.

Why should that be the only place uncheered

By prayer, which to our hearts is so endeared

And sacred grown?

Living, we sought for blessing on their head;

Why should our lips be closed when they are dead

And we alone?

Idle? Their doom is fixed? Ah who can tell?

Yet, were it so, I think no ill could

Come from my prayer;

And oh, the heart, o'er burdened with its grief,

This comfort needs, and seeks therein relief
From its despair.

Shall God be wroth because we love them still,

And call upon his love to shield from ill

Our dearest, best,

And bring them home, and recompense their pain,

And cleanse their sin, (if any sin remain)

And give them rest?

Nay; I will not believe it, I will pray,
As for the living, for the dead each day.
They will not grow less meet for Heaven,
when followed by a prayer
To waft them home like summer scented air
From long ago.

Who can forbid the heart's desires to flow
Beyond the limits of the things we know?
In Heaven above
The incense that the golden censers bear,
Is the sweet perfume from the saintly prayer
Of trust and love."

in Christ
As to our friend's remark, "it seems to me a remarkable poem coming from a Presbyterian," the Rector would reply, that whilst it might seem "remarkable," yet it is, really, the most natural expression of a deeply religious soul. We pray for those we love while here on earth, and their prayers go up to heaven for us. Shall we think less of them and they of us and cease to pray, when they and we are even nearer one another than when on earth? We know not how, but love will never cease to think and pray for those dear ones who have gone before. All that we know about them is what faith accepts; and love is built on faith. The dear ones go away; they pass from our view; our hearts die down; our eyes are full of tears; and we say "they are gone." Do they yet live? It so, are they aught to us or we to them? And are we still, in any sense, as ever, one? The late Rev. Morgan Dix, Rector of Trinity Church, New York says: "The teaching is very clear and distinct. It is drawn partly from the written word of God; partly from the concurrent belief of His people; and in part it comes to us through the voice of nature, which no man can silence. God tells us—for however it comes the message is His—that the Departed live, that they are conscious, that they are happy, that they are in Christ, that they are one with us. No real separation occurs, when in the sight of man they seem to die. There is indeed a local separation, a physical and material one; but really, truly, and spiritually, we are with them and they with us. Memory and love can never fail. They remember, they love us; they think, and we are in their thoughts; they pray, and we are in their prayers. We are members of the same church, the same household, the same family. One God is fa-

ther of us all; they have, as we might say, passed out of one room into another in the same building of the Lord; one and the same roof is still over us and them; they are in a better, brighter quarter of the same great Home and House of Christ, and whatever they are doing, whatever they are beholding, whatever they are enjoying, they never forget us, nor cease to count the hours of time till we be with them.

Such is briefly the teaching of God, speaking to us of this through His Holy Scriptures and the Church and our own hearts.*** I pray you, bear in mind the contrast between the Faith of the Church and our practice. There are few things more striking than this contrast; between the elevating and consoling truth that they are all living in God, that we are with them in Christ that the whole Church, this side of the veil and beyond it, is one and the same family; and our chill, hard indifference to and neglect of them, their names, their memories as if death were annihilation, and partings here partings for ever, and the separation between us that of hollow, hopeless, voiceless silence never to be broken.

This practical separation between us and the departed in Christ, is one of the misfortunes and calamities of the times; it would be hard to estimate what we must be losing, spiritually, every day we live, in consequence. And if any ask how it has come to pass, the answer is clear. It is the result of banishing them, as has been done, from the devotional exercises of the people of God, here on earth. If they be really so very near to us, as God says they are, that close and most precious inter-communion should be mentioned; it should have its definite expression, and be kept ever before the eyes, and in the ears, of us who remain here below. This was done in the Primitive Church in the ancient use of prayers for the departed. For thousands of years such prayers have been a part of the instituted service of the Lord's people. They were in use among the Israelites hundreds of years before Christ. They form a part of the Synagogue and Temple worship, in which the Lord and His Apostles took part when they were here. They are in every Liturgy of the ancient Christian Church, known to us at this hour. They were retained in the First Reformed Prayer Book of the

Church of England, through reverence for the ancient uses of Christianity.

**** The Reformers rightly protested against the Roman doctrine concerning Purgatory, with its corollaries of masses for the delivery of suffering souls, and indulgences of time to be spent in that place of woe. All those novel inventions they rightly denounced; but in abating them they went too far, and came near utterly silencing the voice of the Church on that subject. They did not quite silence it, for they left a few words in the Prayer for Christ's Church militant to remind us that the Dead in the Lord still live; Let us make it a matter of religious duty never to forget the Holy Dead, never to let go of them, to insist that they are not really gone from us, to resolve that nothing shall divide us still farther, or widen the gap which Death has made! Until it is with us a matter of principle and religious duty to be as loyal, as faithful, as true, as loving towards our beloved ones now as we were while they were with us, we shall be losing help, comfort and grace and suffering that moral decline which comes of solitude, selfishness, and isolation.

Let the memory of those who are in Christ be a purifying motive in our actions. Let their names be uttered with joy, as the names of those who live, in a truer sense than we. Let us remember that it is we who are in the shadows and the darkness, not they; let us cling to the idea of our communion with them as a powerful aid to us in our effort to lead holy lives. And let the thought of them calm our troubled souls; for soon shall we be where they are, "where storms shall cease, and surges swell no more." So pass the shadows away! So let the veil be drawn aside! So may we who, though parted for a time, are one in Christ for ever, be also made one again, in that dear and everlasting home where the righteous shine forth as the sun, in their Heavenly Father's Realm."



HAVE FUNERALS IN THE CHURCH

There is a widespread and popular custom of having funerals in private houses that is thoroughly unchurchworthy, unedifying and undevout. It is also unrubrical. The Prayer Book provides that the Burial Office may be said either in the Church or the graveyard. "The minister meeting the body at the en-

trance of the churchyard and going before it, either into the church or towards the grave." The office may be said partly or entirely in either. The only valid reason for not having it in the church is in the case of infectious diseases, when the Board of Health will not allow the Church to be used, and in that case it is better to say the whole office in the graveyard.

The custom of "house funerals," as they are called, originated outside the church, when it was usual to have a service upon the model of a prayer meeting with eulogies, prayers and addresses by persons present, this service lasting, sometimes, several hours.

When the Burial Service is used at "house funerals" it is often far from being a solemn service.

The friends are crowded together in the various rooms of the house, from the back kitchen to the garret. They generally sit on camp chairs, or on the stairs, and not infrequently on one another's laps.

All this does not especially contribute to solemnity or reverence. The Prayer Book directs that "the minister, meeting the body at the entrance of the church-yard and going before it, either into the church or toward the grave, shall say the Order for the Burial of the Dead."

This is dignified, solemn, impressive. The Church regards death as an occasion for reverence, for praise, for worship. She, therefore, provides that those who die in the Lord shall be brought within her sacred walls.



RUBRICS AND CANNONS SOMETIMES FORGOTTEN

When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish.—Rubric in the Order for the Visitation of the Sick.

A communicant from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any), of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to admit such a person to the Holy Communion until letters be procured stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing.—Canon 12, Title 11.

Parish Notes

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Embroidery Guild—Thursday, 2 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—Second and Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Second Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
Holy Communion every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all Godly and sober conversation.—Canon 20, Title 1.

CAST-OFF CLOTHING NEEDED

Winter clothing outer or under garments, and shoes are solicited from members in the Parish. All clothing sent to the Parish House will be worthily bestowed. The Sexton is in the Parish House until five o'clock every day.

THE NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN.

As it is well known to most of our members a Nation-Wide Campaign is to be inaugurated this fall. The purpose of this Campaign is to arouse the interest, the sympathy, the generosity of EVERY MEMBER of THE CHURCH, throughout the length and breadth of this land. It is to equip more fully the Church with men and means, whereby it may more efficiently perform the duty given it to do. The time is most opportune, because we are witnessing throughout the world today the utter collapse and breakdown of every human substitute for religion. History affords no such colossal examples of failure to save the world by the gospel of culture or by an appeal to international treaties, as the late war affords. The time has come for Christians everywhere, to lift up the figure of the Crucified One who said—"Behold if I be lifted up I will draw all men unto Me."

The part, therefore, that this Church of ours is destined to play in the present and future construction of society will depend largely upon the faith and the spiritual vision and consecration of its individual members.

The Nation-Wide Campaign is inaugurated to inform our members of the pressing needs and the transcendent opportunities which are at our very doors; to arouse every member of the Church to the duty of the hour "to spend and be spent" in the great Cause to which our Master is calling us; to send out a challenge to our people, every where, into every diocese, into every parish, into every home, to every member, calling them to show forth their faith by their works and by their offerings.

But the response, which is expected and hoped for from this nation-wide Campaign will not come unless men and women of the Church are converted to the conviction that it is infinitely worth while—that the Gospel of Jesus Christ, through His Church is, after all the most fundamentally important thing in the life of the individual and of the nation; not only fundamental, and vitally important, but that IT IS THE ONLY HOPE OF THE WORLD—the only bulwark against the powers of darkness—the sheet anchor of our civilization, a thing worth working for and making sacrifice for, necessary to equip and maintain and extend.

May the Spirit of God, which at the beginning moved upon the face of the deep and brought light out of darkness and order out of chaos, so move the hearts and will of the people, at this time, that the Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ will shine out over this benighted world, that from this social chaos, which now envelopes the earth, may come a just and righteous order.

WHAT THE BISHOP SAYS ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN.

Bishop Rhinelander, in a letter addressed to the members of this Diocese, writes as follows concerning the coming Campaign:

"The campaign will have two aspects, intensive and extensive", says the Bishop.

"On the one hand it will aim to reach and lay hold of all our people. It has its ideal in part the same objective as our Every Member Campaign last spring. Every member, every one who has been baptized, every one who is in any way connected with the life of the Church, will be sought out and, if possible, brought to more active membership and service. And in each member the spiritual life is to be deepened and encouraged. Every effort will be made to build us up in prayer, in worship, in all those ways by which the Christian believer is helped to draw near to our Lord. This will be done, not only individually, but in groups. There will be classes for prayer and instruction. There will be conferences for study and counsel. This intensive work is the real foundation. Without it there can be no effective reaching out to do new work or to occupy new fields any more than a man can use his hands and fin-

gers in hard labor unless his heart is beating strongly and his lungs full of fresh air and his whole body in good condition.

On the other hand, our effort is to be extensive, facing new opportunities which are evidently set before us and striving to the utmost of our power to reach them. We shall try to take in the whole field in this extensive effort. We shall find out what is needed in the work in China and in South America just as really and definitely as in our own Diocese and in our own community. Budgets are being prepared which will itemize the most important and most reasonable needs of the Church in every district. After these have been approved by the General Convention, they will be set before and explained to our people in detail.

We have a large programme for our own Diocese. At first glance it may seem to expect too much and to ask more than our people can give or do. As a matter of fact, however, all that we shall be asked to give and do is really well within our capacity if we have the devotion and the love.

The time is ripe. The cause is pressing. We have every reason to have confidence in our leaders. We have never yet begun to put forth our whole strength. Now is the time and the call. Let no one of us fail in answering."



KALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

- November 1st—All Saints Day.
 " 2nd—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
 " 9th—Twenty first Sunday after Trinity
 " 16th—Twenty second Sunday after Trinity
 " 23rd—Twenty third Sunday after Trinity
 " 27th—Thanksgiving Day
 " 30th—St. Andrew



THE CHIMES.

September began the new Chimes year. Where is yours? This year probably one carry us through. This means every active hundred dollars will have to be gotten to carry us through. This means every active member of the church will have to subscribe at least fifty cents. The high cost of material strikes the Chimes a blow but let's have

the people stand back of us to receive it. Below are some who share it already: Mr. Baxter, Mrs. Whitby, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Woodruffe, Mr. Lening, Mr. Bains, Mrs. Top-lippe Johnson, Miss Inne, Mrs. Gerheart, Miss Fiest, Miss E. Cave, Mrs. Pinkerton, Miss E. Parker and Mrs. Ritter, Mrs. Baisbrown, Miss Shay, Mrs. and Miss Mogridge, Mrs. W. J. Crowder, Miss Kirkland, Mrs. Flower, Miss Mary Miller, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Mervin, Miss Lapp, Miss Lieler, Mrs. Lillian Armstrong.

Put your name on this Honor Roll before the next issue of the Chimes. Subscription and Contribution may be sent to Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman street, or to the Rector.



SERVICE ON ALL SAINTS' DAY

The services on All Saints' Day will be as follows: Holy Communion 7:30; Holy Communion and Address 11:00 a. m. At the eleven o'clock service the names of person who have departed this life since last All Saints' Day, will be read from the Chancel. The flowers on the Altar will be in memory of the Blessed Dead.

Person who wish to give memorial flowers are requested to send the same to the Parish House not later than Friday noon, October 31st.



A SPECIAL BROTHERHOOD SERVICE

A special service will be held in Christ Church, under the auspices of the Junior and Senior Chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, on Sunday evening, November 30th, (St. Andrew's Day) at which time reports will be given of the National Meeting of the Brotherhood, recently held in Detroit, and special speakers will be present. This Service will be of special interest to men. All are invited to be present. Further details will be announced later.



CONVOCATION OF GERMANTOWN TO MEET IN CHRIST CHURCH

The Convocation of Germantown will meet in Christ Church on the third Tuesday in January. Service will be held in the Church at 11 o'clock and the Business Meeting will be at 2:30 in the Parish House.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church is in a most flourishing condition. We have had our third meeting this Fall, and our numbers increased at each meeting. We have a basket-ball team under the direction of Miss Dorothy Gill, and a class in basketry or basket-weaving under the direction of Miss Edna Cave—both classes teeming with interest and class spirit.

Other classes will be formed later on in the Winter.

We extend a hearty welcome to every girl in the parish, and outside, over twelve years of age, and up indefinitely, to join our ranks. The dues are only sixty cents a year, and the good times we have and the friendly relations we are forming, with our motto "Bear ye one another's burdens" always before us, makes for health of mind and body—with strength of heart and soul through the spiritual uplift we all have in such an organization.

At our last meeting held Tuesday evening, October the twenty-first, an election was held to fill the office of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. By unanimous vote the following named persons were elected from the girl members:

Chairman—Miss Leonora Robinson

Secretary—Miss Grace Gerhard

Treasurer—Miss Edith Johnson

The Branch Secretary is Mrs. Topliff Johnson.

The Associates are:

Mrs. Florence D. Bland

Mrs. T. Percival Robinson

Mrs. Frederick Lenning

Mrs. U. G. Rowley

L. J.



MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary held the first meeting of the season in the Parish House on Thursday, October 16, at three o'clock. It was decided this year to hold an all day meeting on the third Wednesday of each month.

The meetings will begin at ten o'clock and the morning session will be devoted to sewing for the City Mission. The ladies are asked to bring their lunch and stay until the afternoon session which will begin at two

o'clock. At that time the regular business meeting of the Auxiliary will be held.

At three o'clock there will be an address on missionary work by one of the missionary workers of the Diocese. All women of the congregation are earnestly urged to attend these meetings.

At our last meeting we had a most interesting address by the Rev. Elliot White, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia, on his work among the Poles in this Diocese.

After this address tea was served and we all had a most enjoyable time. Our only regret is that there were not more women present to enjoy it with us.

A. F. U.



At the General Convention of the Church, recently held in Detroit, the thank offering of the women of the Church, through the Auxiliary amounted to the unprecedented sum of \$463,721.16. We are informed that since then later contributions will swell this to a larger amount. The women of Christ Church Parish who had a share in this gift to the Missionary work of the Church are justly proud in the part they have taken in it. Now let every woman in the Parish enlist in this glorious cause.



MOTHER'S MEETING

The first gathering of the Mother's Meeting for the winter of 1919-1920 was held on October 21. Twenty of us went in a body to a moving picture show, which was very enjoyable, and then returned to the Rectory for ice cream and cake and a social time. Mr. Arndt and Mr. Gurley joined us, and Mr. Gurley told us many of his interesting experience abroad. The next Meeting was held on October 28. Work of the coming winter was laid out and all entered into the plans with interest and good will. We are anticipating a happy useful winter, and in order to increase our happiness and usefulness we are hoping to largely increase our membership.

We are arranging for a "Thrift Sale" to be held the middle of November. Will not the members of the congregation remember us as they are doing their fall cleaning and send us partly worn clothing and anything which they do not need but which might prove of

use to other people? Packages may be sent to the Rectory or upon notification by postal or telephone (Gtu. 2142) will be called for.

H. F. A.



THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

As was announced in the last issue of the Chimes, the Sunday School has resumed its regular sessions in all departments, and the promise of a very successful season is exceptionally bright.

Our appeal for help has been responded to by several persons who have volunteered either as a regular substitute teachers, but we shall have a hearty welcome for others who might want to see just how interesting the School can be made with their presence and their help.

October 30th the School will hold its Hallowe'en Party for the children, when a jolly good time, such as that season always means to the children, is expected. This is the first of the social occasions to be given for the members of the School during the Fall and Winter, and it is hoped that all the members of the School, as well as other children of the parish who may not now be connected with the School will be present. As some entertainments advertise we are featuring the fact that the party is "Free."

Toward the latter part of November the School will repeat its Real Thanks Giving Party.

We emphasize the Real Thanks Giving for at this party there is real thanks and real giving. The entertainment is to the children secondary to the giving, as on this occasion the children, as an evidence of their thanks give canned goods and package cereals for the use of the poor and needy of the parish during the winter.

This party was one of the notable events of last year, when the Rector was provided with a goodly supply of canned and other goods to dispose of as he found need for such real gifts, and the School is eager to make this year's Thanks Giving party surpass that of last year. To those who were privileged to be present when the children presented their gifts it was a real inspiration to witness the real joy which they derived from real giving.

And this is probably the keynote of the Sunday School at present. We are not so large as to attract attention by our numbers

nor yet so small as not to have healthy growing facilities, but the children are doing real things in a Christian spirit, and we want others to share with us the pleasure of being a part of these real things.

Last month our appeal was for helpers, and that appeal is not out of date, but this month we want to appeal for more children to help.

Will not anyone who knows of a child who is not now connected with any Sunday School, give the name and address of the child to the Superintendent, Mr. Richard H. Morris and he will do the rest. A word, a phone call or even a postal is all that is necessary.

Can't we interest you?

V. C. R.

The basketball Season has opened and the Bible Class and Junior Brotherhood combined will try to form two good teams. Practice is every Wednesday night and anyone who has any touch of basketball in them should come and try out for the teams. The first game will be Wed. the fifth in our Gym. Be sure to come.

R. W. C.

Preaching is a means to an end. What end? To the use of the Sacraments in the Church. The Pentecostal sermon, the talk with the jailer and with the Eunuch—all led to baptism. And the Lord added to the Church daily. This was the result of Apostolic preaching.



Let Loose In Luxemburg.

Reminencies of Richard H. Gurley

(Written for the Chimes)

—Chapter 2—

There upon the threshold and grouped about the doorway, and on the stairway-landing was a throng of villagers—some thirty people of all ages and all talking at once. After a few tense moments of uncertainty the Americans concluded that whatever all the fuss was about, it was not war that was

intended and all weapons were lowered and put out of sight. In response to a very brief and sharp inquiry from the Sergeant in charge as to just what all the mob was about anyway—a tall, heavy-set, dark haired man advanced a few steps into the room and in silken tones, asked if any of our most noble company spoke French. The inquiry was made in very good English so good in fact that it was not natural in sound to the fifteen woolly citizens from Illinois. Apparently it was culled from a prehistoric edition of an English Grammar of 1775 A. D.

So the author spoke up in his very best French—and immediately was deluged with a rain of French words, one out of every forty of which he had never heard before. However being of a romantic turn of mind the gaps in an otherwise intelligent understanding were bridged and the story in brief was something after this fashion.

A certain Marie Grossen, having reached the age of discretion and hopefulness, and finding a very marked shortage of young men within range of her activities determined that the time to act was the present. She was the chief owner and principal worker of a farm of some 20 acres just outside the village. In these anxious times some ties stronger than mere contracts for labor had to be arranged to keep the men in one spot for any length of time—and Marie Goessler was wise in her generation and wiser than most of it.

In the course of time her eyes became centered upon a certain Louis Pochelin bachelor, whose ancestry was French and whose future was gloomy. Louis had lingered too long about the village and fell, apparently without a struggle, before the persistent charms of Marie. (please notice the adjective.)

All the preliminaries being arranged, imagine the chagrin of a determined woman who having come to have the knot firmly tied, finds the place on tying quite well occupied

by fifteen perfect strangers—unbidden guests who were costumed in any sort of clothes but the kind necessary for social occasions of this sort. The burgomeister, he of the silken tones, having been forced to give up his lodgings to that dear American Army had called off the civil wedding until further notice. But did Marie call it off? She did not! Did Marie flinch and cavil before "les braves soldats d'Amerique! Marie did not! Shakespeare has said. "There is a time in the affairs of men—etc" and Marie had that time labelled and all set for action—so far as the affairs of Louis were concerned. Therefore by your leave, said the Burgomeister, we will have the civil marriage here and now and tomorrow the church wedding. Well its a known fact that every man loves to go to every wedding but his own so naturally when the wedding comes to you—no objections were raised by any of the fifteen.

The oaken chests were handed out the sacred register of Roodt was opened on the table everybody signed it, (with the author's fountain pen,) first the brides father and mother then the groom's father and mother then the bride, then the groom, then all the witnesses including fifteen good men and true from Philadelphia and Hohokna, Ill. Then the Burgomeister put his chain of office around his neck—draped his shoulders with two beautiful lace towels, taken from the chest, and began the speech in German which had probably been in use since the days of the 1st burgomeister and which tied the nuptial knot in several different ways and everybody listened in silence. In the eyes of Marie for all who cared to see it, showed the proudest light of victory over every obstacle and as she turned to give Louis a careful survey every so often her whole attitude seemed to say to us. "In the rest of the world they preach of the power of women in Luxemburg, we prove it." As for Louis, gone was the conquering light from his eyes. Louis was signed, sealed and delivered—and he knew it. As

the timid sand-piper caught in the snare so was Louis—a sickly smile and profuse perspiration testified to the intense joy with which Louis was participating in this epoch-making event.

Finally when the Burgomeister had said all the words he knew and everybody had said "hoch" to the bride and groom the combat was declared over—with Louis finishing a poor second. The Luxemburgers said "hoch" because they knew what it meant. The Americans said it because it sounded suspiciously like a word in American which would be a timely suggestion to the groom. Everybody else congratulated the bride and groom but we knew better. We sure felt sorry for Louis so we kept our congratulations for Marie only. Over Louis we were prepared to shed tears of deepest sympathy only Louis was no longer alive to feelings of any sort. Louis had had a relapse just after the final word of his League of Consternation he was now in that dull, fallid conatose condition of one sentenced to death. Louis had our sympathy deeply and richly expressed.

With all sorts of appreciation wet and dry for us in that we allowed him to fulfil his official and sacred rite of watch-maker the Burgomeister and his train filed slowly out of the room—down the stairs and so into the night to drink deeply and heartily so as to be in proper condition for the second act of the Tragedy of Louis Pochelin the religious ceremony of the morrow. "The tumult and the shouting lies"—the noise of triumph is over—quiet—a heavy silence again rests upon the quarters as fifteen soldiers prepare, to resume a much interrupted rest. One feeble inquiry—"Boys, how about women's suffrage when we get home. Shall we have it?" and one feeble reply—"Why ask us what a woman wants these days she gets—ask Louis?" Out went the Burgomeister's best candle and fifteen weary souls flew back to America. The Land of Promise and about seven hours rest in happiness there. Tomorrow the church

wedding—and tomorrow—like all our troubles the story of it. (To Be Continued.)



Slackers

By Rt. Rev. Irving P. Johnson, D. D.

We are frequently reminded, in various ways that one can be just as good a Christian without being a Christian at all, paradoxical as that may seem.

Of course the whole question depends on what being a Christian consists in. Words have a curious way of eluding thought, and meaning something entirely different than they did, because we want them so to do.

In the same way, the word "Christian" has had a history, which, in spite of its convolutions, is interesting. When the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch it probably was regarded as an opprobrious epithet by those who bestowed it upon them, but because there was real worth in the thing so called, it became a title of which men became proud. Just as the word Yankee has passed through various shades of meaning, from that of one who drives a tight bargain to that of one who is a hero on the battlefield.

The truth of the matter is that whatever name you may give a thing, the name gets a reputation commensurate with the real value of the thing, and the word which one day represents an object of scorn may come to be a title of distinction.

Still, if we are going to have definite ideas, a word should have a definite meaning. Yet, if one wanted to start a riot in some interdenominational meeting called for the betterment of the Christian Church, let him merely introduce the question as follows: "Before we discuss the matter of bettering the Christian Church, let us define what we mean by the Christian Church." Yet isn't it rather foolish to attempt to better a thing which you can't define.

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RECTOR'S NOTES

THE CHIMES DELAYED

This month's issue of the Chimes has been delayed, owing to a disarrangement at the office of publication.

The delay has been unavoidable and has been no fault of the publishers themselves, who have always been most obliging and courteous in their dealing with the Chimes.

It is hoped that hereafter the delay may be avoided and that the Chimes may appear at the usual monthly intervals.

NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN

By the time that this issue of the Chimes appears, the canvass in our parish, in connection with the Nation-Wide Campaign will have been completed. The Parish Committee in charge have been doing faithful work and it is hoped in the next issue of the Chimes we may be able to report that a hearty response has been made on the part of all our parishioners.

As loyal citizens of our country, we take pride in being "100 per cent. Americans," so should we all in this parish take pride in being "100 per cent. Churchmen." The call of this Advent Season is to every lukewarm, indifferent, half hearted Christian. "Now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us, therefore, cast off the works of dark-

ness, and let us put on the armor of light." May each one of us hear their call and heroically and loyally take our place in the ranks and faithfully "do our duty in that state of life unto which it shall please God to call me."

ADVENT

Advent Sunday is the beginning of the Christian year. "Thus it happens," says Bishop Coxe, "that in the Kingdom of Heaven, we live in advance of the world; we are a whole month on our way before the civil year begins. In this way our Holy Mother, the Church, teaches us to be ever on the alert, looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Day of God."

The Christian year, beginning with the Season of Advent, is so arranged as to bring before us the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. This aim is carried out by means of special collects, Epistles and Gospel, by special Lessons, and in certain cases by special selections of psalms.

The season of Advent, so called from the Latin Adventus, a coming, is intended to prepare our minds for the celebration of the coming of our Lord, both on that first Christmas Day and also on that great last Day when we shall all appear before the judgment seat of God. It is impossible for us, as Christians, to enter into the joy of Christmas unless we realize the object for which

Christ came into the world—viz: to save not merely from the guilt and consequences but from the power of sin.

Thus, the season of Advent, in its Lessons, Epistles and Gospels, strongly mingles the most joyous with the most appalling thoughts; for while it strikes the keynote of our Christmas rejoicings, it dwells on this first Advent with special reference to its bearings on that which is yet future when "He shall come again to judge both the quick and the dead."

How helpful to the soul this annual "awakening," and setting forward towards Christ's appearing and towards immortality!

Christ tells us: "Watch, therefore, for we know not when the Master of the House cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping."

The Christian year, which, as we have said, begins with Advent is divided, for practical and doctrinal purposes, into two parts. In the first or festal part of the year—that is from Advent to Trinity—the Epistles and Gospels are selected for their appropriateness to the teachings of the doctrine of the day or season; in the second, or non-festal part of the year—that is, from Trinity to Advent—they follow a certain regularity, setting forth the practical life, which should flow out of these doctrines or teachings.

By this method of the Christian year the Church brings before her people the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. Nothing essential is lost; nothing is added. It is a well rounded teaching of the Christian faith and life.



CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means meeting with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! Wise men ever

bring gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offerings of their earthly substance, offerings of worship and adoration, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones, offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church, and offerings of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who has given to us to be our Pattern and our Guide.

That every communicant may kneel before Him on the day of His Nativity and offer unto Him "their hearts deepest devotions." Holy Communion will be celebrated in this Church at 6:30, 7:30 and 11:00 o'clock. Everyone, who is physically able, will want to come to at least one of these Services. The happiest Christmas is the one that is filled with Christ and His love.



NON-CHURCH GOING HABIT

"It is all a habit!" We wonder how often one hears that expression as an excuse, or an explanation of the neglect of the Church services! This neglect is a habit, and a bad one. It grows into a systematic neglect of all that pertains to the outward expression of religious life, and its effect on the more personal, inner, life is not less sure. A certain moral complacency grows up that makes the real conscience in the matter hard to reach. Dr. Lyman Abbott, in an open letter to the "Outlook" deals with the habit—that of church-going. He says:

"I heard the other Sunday a very excellent sermon on the advantages of church-going, and asked the preacher of the sermon, for permission to give to others one paragraph in which the advantages of church-going were summed up. The paragraph was as follows:

"But I do not say without fear of successful contradiction, that the conscientious habit of going to Church always is one of the surest promoters of human happiness and courage. It broadens the mind, it cheers the soul. It lifts men's thoughts to the skies above them. It breaks the dull routine of work; it releases the captives of toil, it makes life interesting again; it awakens new

powers of insight and sympathy. It changes the world's prose into poetry. For this is the conclusion of the matter: "They kept the feast with gladness. For they all rejoiced so that there was great joy in Jerusalem."



The Rector is pleased to commend most highly the members of the Altar Guild for the faithful manner in which they have discharged their manifold duties during the past year. The Chancel has been kept in excellent condition, the Communion vessels and altar linens have been well cared for, the services have been properly found and arranged the vestments are in perfect order. The Memorial Flowers, provided from Sunday to Sunday by members of the congregation have been carefully arranged and placed on the altar in memory of the departed. After the service these flowers are taken to the sick. On high Festivals, such as Christmas, Easter, Whitsunday, the duties of the altar Guild are most exacting and strenuous as the entire arrangement of the elaborate floral decorations of the chancel and altar on these occasions devolve upon the members. Few people in the congregation realize the many duties of this very useful Parish Guild. The faithful effort of the Altar Society should be appreciated by all. No parish has a more efficient and faithful Altar Guild.

This Guild raises no money by entertainment but all expenses are met through voluntary contributions. At present the Guild is in need funds to provide new linen for the altar. Contributions are solicited for this and other needful purposes and will be gratefully received, if placed in the box at the west door of the Church.

Persons in the Parish who desire to have flowers placed on the altar in memory of friends or as offering of thanksgiving on anniversaries associated with holy memories are invited to apply to the President of the Altar Guild, Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, 117 West Uptal street or to the Rector.

The Rector asks that when flowers are placed on the altar in memory of the departed, the friends providing the flowers shall prepare themselves and shall come to the Holy Communion on that day. Unless this is done the solemn holy significance of the memorial flowers is lost.

Remembrance of the dead should be a Sacramental service.

"This do in Remembrance of Me."

"According to Thy gracious word,

In meek humility,

This will I do, my dying Lord,

I will remember Thee."



THE BIBLE

"The Bible is the word of life. I beg that you will read it and find this out for yourselves—read, not little snatches here and there, but long passages that will really be the road to the heart of it. You will find it full of real men, and women not only, but also of things you have wondered about and been troubled about all your life, as men have been always; and the more you read the more it will become plain to you what things are worth while and what are not; what things make men happy—loyalty, right dealings, speaking the truth, readiness to give everything for what they think their duty, and most of all, the wish that they may have the real approval of the Christ, who gave everything for them—and the things that are guaranteed to make men unhappy—selfishness, cowardice, greed, and everything that is low and mean. When you have read the Bible you will know that it is the Word of God, because you will have found it the key to your own happiness and your own duty.

(Signed) Woodrow Wilson.



PARISH NOTES

Kalendar for December

December 7th. Second Sunday in Advent

December 14th. Third Sunday in Advent

December 17th, 19th, 20th. Ember Days

December 21st. Fourth Sunday in Advent

(St. Thomas)

December 25th. Christmas

December 26th. St. Stephen

December 27th. St. John the Evangelist

December 28th. Holy Innocents



KALENDAR FOR 1920

The usual Christ Church Kalendar for 1920 are on sale and may be had from the Verger.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
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Vestry of Christ Church

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Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lenning (1919)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Related Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.
FRIDAYS
Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.
BAPTISMS
Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The Services on Christmas Day will be celebration of the Holy Communion 6:30 and 7:30 a. m. Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon at 11:00. The offering on Christmas Day will be for our Parish Assessment for the Clergy Pension Fund.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

A letter has not yet been received from Santa Claus stating what date he will visit Christ Church Sunday Schools. It is absolutely certain, however that he will be present at Christ Church, probably some day following the last Sunday in December. As soon as it is definitely decided when he will arrive, announcement will be made to the school. The Primary Department will hold their entertainment in the afternoon and the upper schools in the evening. Santa Claus will be present at each of these occasions, and distribute presents to "good boys and girls," both old and young.

Parents and other "old folks" are invited to both of these entertainments. Watch for the date to be announced.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Sunday School Christmas Carol Services will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 28th at half past three o'clock. The Schools will assemble in the Parish House at three o'clock and will march into the Church singing the Christmas processional carol and carrying their banners.

An address will be given. An invitation is extended to the parents and friends of the scholars and to all members of the congregation to attend this beautiful Carol Service. The pews in front of the transverse aisle will be reserved for the members of the Schools. The congregation will occupy the seats in the rear. The usual Church Service at 7:45 will be omitted on this Sunday.

CHRISTMAS GREENS

Contributions are solicited to pay for the purchase of "Christmas greens" to decorate the Church.

The young men of the parish do all the work of hanging the greens in the chancel and nave, as a labor of love.

The members of the Altar Guild provide for the altars and arrange all decorations within the Sanctuary.

Contributions may be given to Mr. R. H. Morris or may be sent to him at his address Payne Avenue and Hortess Street.

CAST-OFF CLOTHING NEEDED

Winter clothing outer or under garments, and shoes are solicited from members in the Parish. All clothing sent to the Parish House will be worthily bestowed. The Sexton is in the Parish House until five o'clock every day.

NEW YEAR'S EVE. MINDIGHT SERVICES

The usual New Year's Eve Service will be held in Christ Church beginning at 11 o'clock. The Church will be opened all evening for Meditation and Prayer. All are invited.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE CHIMES

Since last issue the following persons have sent contributions or subscriptions to the Chimes: Mr. John Atlee Mrs. Arthur Thacher, Mrs. Gerhardt, Mrs. Mozier, Mrs. Longstreth, Mrs. Ghibe, Mrs. Ellen Wilcox, Mrs. Laura A. Wolfe.

Thanks! Will not the others who have not yet contributed please send their contribution at once? We need the money! Bis dat qui cito dat!

If anyone does not understand the meaning of the above, it will be translated by applying to Robert Carmint 6373 Sherman St. enclosing fifty cents or more.

CONFIRMATION CLASS FORMING

After the holidays the Rector will begin his instruction on Confirmation. The dates of the lecture will be announced. He will be pleased to receive now the names of those who are contemplating being Confirmed.

THE DAUGHTER OF THE KING

The Daughter of the King held their first meeting for the year on Nov. 24th. Only a few members were present but plans were

formulate for the winters work. We hope to increase the number of our members and to do more efficient work during the coming year. Our meetings will be held on the third Monday evenings of the each month at eight o'clock in the Parish House.

H. F. A.



ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild has resumed its regular monthly meetings. The attendance so far at these meetings has been very good and we hope it will continue. We were very sorry to lose one of our faithful members Miss Anne C. Woodroffe, owing to her marriage on September 24th to the Rev. James Lawrence Ware.

We are very glad to welcome to membership in the Guild, Miss Elma Strein and Miss Emma Crowder.



AUXILIARY TO THE MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

At the regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Men's Bible class, held in October, there was election of new officers. The results were as follows: Miss Esther R. Alexander was re-elected president; Mrs. Rowland Jones was re-elected vice-president; Mrs. Harry C. Thompson was elected treasurer and Miss Georgianna F. Dean was elected secretary.

We would be very glad indeed to welcome and to membership who are interested in the Bible class and would care to help. It is our duty to help especially at the monthly socials of the class and in any other way we can. We hope to have a Rummage Sale at an early date and would appreciate anyone saving articles for us for this sale.



THE JUNIOR BROTHERHOOD

The writer had the privilege and pleasure to accompany some thirty members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew from Philadelphia to Detroit, where was held the great National Meeting of the Brotherhood. Services were held on the train enroute. We also held services on the street corner in Buffalo and on the large steamer, the "City of Cleveland" that carried its human cargo

between Buffalo and Detroit, we held morning and evening prayer, conducted by the members of the Junior Brotherhood.

The Convention was an inspiration to all who had the privilege of attending it and all were filled with the spirit to do our share in obedience to the Divine command. "Go ye unto all the world and preach the Gospel."

The Junior's of Christ Church chapter are going to help on this work through the Nation-Wide Campaign which it to be undertaken the first week in December. Our Junior Chapter meets on the first and third Wednesday evening.

Frederick Lennig, Director.



WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

At this critical period of the world's history the need of Missions cannot be over-estimated. The Womans' Auxiliary, the missionary society of the Church, calls to every woman to help in this great work of spreading Christ's Kingdom on earth.

If every woman of Christ Church would only become interested in this organization, what wonderful things we could accomplish. The meetings of the Auxiliary are held in the Parish House on the third Wednesday of the month.



The morning session, starting at 10 o'clock is devoted to sewing for the City Mission. Everyone is asked to bring their lunch and stay for the business meeting and missionary address which commences at two o'clock. At the last two meetings, there has been a marked increase in the attendance and in the interest shown in the work; but we are not yet satisfied and are looking forward to greater enthusiasm and co-operation to help us in this great work.

A.F.W.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Thanksgiving party of the Sunday School was the events of the month just past, and all who helped by their presence, both children and parents, to make up the large audience which attended, were well satisfied that the party was a success.

It was well worth a good price of admission to witness the unmistakable joy written upon the faces of the little ones as they came in laden with their gifts for the needy and to hear their hearty enjoyment of the entertainment.

Those who are not part of the Sunday School, or who do not attend this party, miss a real treat. There will be another such party next year and it is not too early for anyone to begin training to be part of it.

And now we look forward to the great childrens' festival, Christmas. Already our plans are maturing and it is hoped that the coming Christmas may mean more to the children and the Sunday School than any that has gone before. But we want all the children of the neighborhood, who are not already in a Sunday School to enjoy Christmas with us. Will you not help us to have them all here, by sending your own child and with him the neighbors child who is without a Sunday School. A real welcome is waiting for them and for you too, if you care to come in and see what we are doing.

Every Sunday morning at 9:45—and there is a real pleasure in being on time.

U. G. R.



GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Just let me tell you our Girls' Friendly Society is progressing beautifully since last you heard from us. If you should come to the Gymnasium any Tuesday evening (excepting the last Tuesday of the month from 7:30 to 8:30, you would see the most excited and hard working basket ball team you ever want to see. Miss Gill is certainly improving our talent for basketball speedily. And when very warm and very worn from basketball, we turn to our basketry work which is so very much enjoyed by every one.

Miss Case is certainly a wonder with the loveliest ideas and the nice part is that she knows so well how to carry them out.

Do you remember I said we don't play basketball on the last Tuesday of the month? Well, that's because that night is sort of an extra—special night. We had a sample of it on October 28, and, believe me, we all want some more!—and we're going to get them. On that night Mrs. Robinson taught us how to make the perfect potato salad,

and then we ate it, reinforced by bread and butter and hot chocolate. Just say it wasn't good! After "supper" we had a short business meeting, and then it was time to adjourn.

We have some new plans on hand. We have decided that we are doing too much for just our own selves so we are finding ways in which to help others. We have just heard of a sale to be held at Holy Trinity Parish House on December 11th and 12th and so we have each decided to make something for this sale as well as attend it in a body.

There is also a call from 7th and Catherine streets—a settlement house which does very good work for girls. They need money very badly and of course will be very much obliged for any contributions. It is hoped that the Girls' Friendly will help this cause along.

During Lent we will also work for the City Mission box.

I must say that these several items were brought to our notice by Mrs. Robinson, who very kindly went to a meeting for us and brought a lovely report home to us. I am sure we all appreciate it very much.

So you girls, twelve years old and over, (it doesn't matter how much over) come and join us on Tuesday evenings. Don't miss the jolly good times and also the helpful times we are having.

G.M.G.



PARENTS AND LOBSTERS

A half hour instruction on Bible Truth, taught to children in our Sunday School!

What effect will this instruction have on the minds and hearts of the young unless the impression of that truth be maintained and strengthened by parental instruction and example during the week? Is it any wonder that a tender plant droops and dies when it is seldom watered?

It is as little wonderful that the children should continue unbelieving and impenitent when they but once a week come under the influence of religious instruction. There is a fable which says that it was a source of much worry to some fish to see lobsters swimming backward instead of forward. They therefore called a meeting and decided to open a school for their instruction. This

was done and a number of young lobsters came. The fish argued that if they began with the young, as they grew older they would not only learn to swim right, but would continue to do so. At first they did very well, but afterward, when they returned home, and saw their fathers and mothers swimming in the old way, they soon forgot their lessons. So may children well taught in the Sunday School, be forced backward by a bad home example.

Remember that when the blacksmith shapes a horse shoe, he does it while it is hot, for every moment's delay makes the iron less malleable. The sculptor moulding a beautiful figure in wax or clay works while the material is plastic, for it will shortly harden. And if we are to stamp the image of Christ upon a child's soul it must be done in the early, plastic and susceptible years that it may grow in wisdom and knowledge and in favor with God and man.



A NICKLE FOR THE LORD

Yesterday he wore a rose in the lapel of his coat, but when the plate was passed today he gave a nickel to the Lord. He had several bills in his pocket and sundry change, perhaps a dollar's worth but he hunted about and finding this poor little nickel, he laid it on the plate to aid in the fight against the world, the flesh and the devil. His hat was beneath the seat, and his gloves and cane were beside it, and the nickel was on the plate—a whole nickel.

On Saturday afternoon he met a friend, and together they had some refreshments. The cash register stamped seventy-five cents on the slip the boy presented to him. Peeling off a bill, he handed it to the lad, and gave him a dime when he brought back the change. A nickel for the Lord and a dime for the waiter.

And the man had his shoes polished on Saturday afternoon and handed out a dime without a murmur. He had a shave, and paid fifteen cents with equal alacrity. He took a box of candies home to his wife, and paid eighty cents for them, and the box was tied with a dainty bit of ribbon. Yes, and he also gave a nickel to the Lord.

Who is this Lord?

Who is He? Why the man worships Him, as Creator of the universe, the One who puts the stars in order, and by whose immutable decree the heavens stand. Yes he does, and he dropped a nickel in to support the cause of his Creator.

And this man knew that he was an atom in space, and he knew that the Almighty was without limitations, and knowing this, he put his hand in his pocket and picked out the nickel, and gave it to the Lord.

And the Lord, being gracious and slow to anger, and knowing our frame, did not slay the man for the meanness of his offering, but gives him this day his daily bread.

The nickel was ashamed of itself and hid beneath a quarter that was given by a poor woman who takes in washing for a living. —Selected.



TWO UNIVERSAL FACTS IN HUMAN HISTORY

Every normal human being, man, woman, or child, who has reached reflective age, is intuitively conscious of indebtedness to a higher than mortal power for the material necessities and comforts of life.

Deep down in our consciousness, we all feel that we owe to this higher power something more than can be paid in words or expressions of gratitude. We feel that we owe something definite, something tangible, something that can be weighed, measured, or counted.

All human history, going back to the most ancient clay tablet records and forward through all the intervening years up to the present hour, is uniform in its testimony, that wherever and whenever this universal consciousness of indebtedness has found expression in deeds, the proportion devoted has been the one tenth of gain in material things.

The recognition of this proportion has been just as true of people we are accustomed to regard as Heathen or Pagan as it is of Jews and Christians today.

Are not these two facts, the humanity-wide and ages-long feeling of indebtedness to a power higher than our own or any other earthly power for material blessings, and an equally universal intuition that the tenth is the proportion to be paid, immensely significant? They are hundreds, if not thousands of years older than Jewish history; they are

cighteen hundred years younger than Bible history. Can you imagine that any one but God could have put these deep-seated impressions, both of indebtedness to Him and the proper portion to be paid in recognition of that indebtedness, into the heart and conscience of the entire human race?

Can we, as Christians, do less?

Ought we, as Christians to do more?



TO CRITICS OF THE CHURCH

More than three-fourths of all the social workers in America at this moment are members of Christian Churches. The ethical societies the atheistic Socialists, the lapsed Church members, are not one-fourth of the whole, by the latest statistical account. Take away the men and women whom the Church has set aflame with her ideals of brotherhood and sacrifice, and every charitable work in America would be crippled tomorrow. In any small town where Church affiliations are well known there may be a score of "undenominational" charitable boards but almost every member on each board is also a prominent church member. The van of the Church is pushing ahead eagerly toward industrial arbitration, municipal reform, temperance legislation, improved housing for the poor, the protection of women and children industrially, old age pensions and every other reform that modern America is considering. It is an undenominational van, shoulder to shoulder, representing no one church, appealing to no ecclesiastical authority. That is why its presence is taken for granted by the public and forgotten by the critic. But it spoils his argument the moment one comes to think about it.—The Outlook.



THE CHURCH OF TODAY

The strong Church of today is planning upon four vital principles; (1) praying; (2) witnessing; (3) giving; (4) praising.

A **praying Church** is the natural result of the lives of men who are in close communion with God. It testifies to the fact that men know the needs of their fellow-men and are confident that only God can supply these needs. In the demonstrated sufficiency of prayer, by the measured progress of the

Church throughout the centuries, we know that a Church pleading before God receives the answer in priceless souls recovered.

A **witnessing Church** embodies the lives of those who appreciate the call to the militant service of Jesus Christ. It is in His name that the Church conquers. The hosts of the Church, with the sign of the Cross and the name of the King can possess all who belong unto Him. A Church that names not His name is a defeated Church.

A **giving Church** is the consummation of that sort of consecration that is genuine. The average Church, with its bills in arrears, its place of worship ill kept, the Rector insufficiently and tardily paid is but the barrier to blessings that God would bestow. A giving Church is an honest Church. Only an honest Church can have influence with the world.

A **praising Church** is one in which its members feel their gratitude to God, "the giver of every good and perfect gift." Its worship is one of praise and thanks—giving to God, "from whom all blessings flow."

Reader, is this what we are making our Church to be, by **your** praying, by **your** witnessing, by **your** giving by **your** praising?

"What kind of a Church would our Church be if every member were **just like me?**"

The Parish Leaflet.



LET LOOSE IN LUXEMBURG

Written for The Chimes

(Continued.)

But, unfortunately for us and exactly as things always happen in the army, we received orders to take the road at 6 a. m. the next morning and Louis and his troubles were quite forgotten until we had been marching three or four hours. Then it was one universal regret that we hadn't been able to wait and see Louis properly married in the local church.

Marching in Luxemburg is alright for those who love the mountains and care to frolic around and over the hills, but to this soldier, plain marching in both senses of the adjective, is by far the preferable sort. Up the hills, one has to half pult the transports so as to save the mules, and down the hills, one has to keep from under the mules feet or allow oneself to be run over by these

heavy wagons going at increased speed. It's a lovely life the soldier leads on the march anyway. "give way to the right"—every time the General wants to roll by in his limousine—and as often as not "to the right" means march in the ditch by the roadside, as Luxemburg roads are for the most part narrow and if it isn't a limousine, it is some little "second lieutenant" in a side car which is even harder to endure. We march fifty minutes and rest ten, then march fifty more and rest ten more and so on from 6 a. m. to 12 mudday. An hour for dinner, if you feel well enough to think of cold bully beef and stale bread (and perhaps, gold fish in such complimentary terms and then at one o'clock

resume the morning program until the major gets tired of travelling or you reach a village where there are sufficiently more stables than there are horses—and there we rest.

So we went from Rondt—a day's march to Fishback—and from there a day's march to Erfeldinger. Here we were stationed for three months and in our next account we will attempt a character study of some familiar sights in a Luxemburg village.

The Priest, the Bergomaster, the Village Midas, the Chief Gossip, the Lord of the Cafe, the "Horsey" and a view from the inside of a Luxemburg family and of their home.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

INCREASED ATTENDANCE

It is gratifying to note the increased attendance at the Service of the Church on the first two Sundays in January. This was especially noticeable at the Celebration of the Holy Communion. It may be that some of the members of the Parish, who have grown careless and irregular in their attendance at Divine Service have made good resolutions for the coming new year. I sincerely hope that this is true and I pray that others in the parish, who have become indifferent and negligent in their Church attendance, will make a solemn resolve that, God helping them, they will be more faithful, more conscientious during this new year, in their Communion and in the discharge of every Christian duty.



THE RECTOR'S LIST

The Rector keeps a "classified list" of the members of the Parish. The first list or group is called "Faithful and Conscientious members." This includes the names of the reliable, the dependable; the members who, to the extent of their ability, are conscientious in their Church attendance and in the support of every good work. They are the Rector's inspiration and comfort. Upon them he builds his hopes and plans. They are to him what the apostles were to the Master, out of the many who followed Jesus, his real friends. In the second list are the "occasionals." They include the names of members who may be relied upon to be present at Divine Service, "occasionally," when the weather is not "too hot," or "too cold," or

"too wet" or "too something else." They are all good people, with "good intentions," but they do not bear their Christian responsibilities and duties with any great seriousness. Their hearts are right, but they are lacking in strength of will. They go along the line of the least resistance. There is great hope for them and many are improving. Some of them, no doubt will be promoted to the first list of the "Faithful"—in time; but, will the prophet we cry, "How long, oh Lord, how long!"

In the third list are "Semi Occasional"—more "semi" than occasional. There is still hope for these people also, but as the apostle tells us, "the cares of this world (household cares, business and social cares) and the deceitfulness of riches (they own an automobile and prefer to take a ride on Sunday, or being able to afford it, they go away for a "good time (?) over week-ends) and the lusts of other things (sleep or loaf on Sundays; or dinner enjoyments and entertainment of friends) choke the word and they become unfaithful. "After a while," they say, "we are going to do better." Perhaps! but it is going to take some loss or some great sorrow or some special dispensation of Providence to save them from their blindness.

And then there is the fourth list. It is comprised of the "members," who call themselves such; who attend the services on the greater festivals, such as Christmas, Easter, etc. They do little or nothing toward the support of the work of the Church; they do not recognize that they owe the Church any duty or responsibility. If they belonged to a society of any kind or to a lodge, they

would be turned out for not paying their "dues;" but belonging to the Church of God, the great Divine organism on earth that is fighting against the sins of the world and is trying to spread the Gospel of Love to every creature and is pleading for the loyal **support and co-operation** of every member, these people, in their indifference, presume upon the goodness and forbearance of God. St. Paul must have had them in mind when he wrote: "Despisest thou the riches of His goodness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God **leadeth to repentance.**"

And the last class is the "Dead Wood Class." This consists of persons whose names still remain on the Parish Records, yet have become "dead" so far as their duty to the Church is concerned. They live near enough to the Church to attend the Services of the Church, if they would; but they won't. It has been suggested to them that they be transferred to some other parish and there start anew and for God's sake, do something; but they don't.

Of course the names in this class are not counted among the list of communicants. We are ready and willing—indeed most anxious to do all we can for these people. In time of need or trouble or sorrow we shall be glad to come to them and minister to them in every way possible. While they are, to all outward signs and appearance, spiritually "dead," yet, we do not forget that Christ can raise even the dead. And so we pray for them that the power of Christ may arouse them and raise them from the dead.

It can be only by the power of Christ's Holy Spirit that any of you can render service acceptable to Him. And so we work, and so we pray, in faith, day by day, that God may, in his own good time, bring the increase.



THE CHURCH TO HAVE AN ADMINISTRATIVE BODY

Among the most vital matters of importance to the Church disposed of by the General Convention of the Church, recently held in the city of Detroit, was the creation of a central body known as "Presiding Bishop and Council," to consist of members, elected by the General Convention, of which there shall be five Bishops, five Presbyters, five Lay-

men and eight others, representatives of the eight Provinces, one from each Province.

This Board or "Council" is to be at the head of the several specialized departments of the Church, dealing with missionary, social service and educational work, finance and publicity. The work of the whole Church is thus to be co-ordinated under the administration of the Presiding Bishop and Council. The following were selected as the Presiding Bishop and Council.

Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Frank Galor, D.D., Bishop of Tennessee.

THE COUNCIL

Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts

Bishop Lines of Newark.

Bishop Reese of Southern Ohio.

Bishop Brown of Virginia.

The Rev. Dr. Stires of New York.

The Rev. Dr. Freeman of Minnesota.

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Members of the Council Representing the

Eight Provinces

First Province—Bishop Perry of Rhode Island.

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Third Province—Bishop Murray of Maryland.

Fourth Province—Bishop Reese of Georgia.

Fifth Province—Bishop Anderson of Chicago.

Sixth Province—Mr. J. H. Pershing of Colorado.

Seventh Province—Mr. Barney Phillips of Missouri.

Eighth Province—Bishop Keator of Olympia.



THE CHURCH HAS AT LAST WAKED UP

The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Galor, D.D., who was recently elected by the General Convention, Presiding Bishop of the Council of the Church says:

"The American Episcopal Church has at last waked up to national self-consciousness. It is no longer a mere aggregation of inde-

pendent dioceses composed of more or less independent parishes.

"The Church is finding herself as a responsible and aggressive personality—responsible to her Lord for the service she is rendering to the world and pledged to aggressive warfare against all His enemies.

"Every member of the Church is enlisted in this war, as the Baptismal formula declares; and dioceses and parishes are only accidents of organization.

"The Church is one body; and weakness of inefficiency or disease in any one part or member of the Body affects the health and strength of all the other parts and members. If Tennessee is poor and weak, it hinders the work in New York; and California feels the effect of the efficiency or inefficiency of Maine.

"The Church now realizes its corporate-ness, her solidarity; and the strength of the whole is the strength of the weakest spot.

No longer can we permit one diocese to languish, while other dioceses flourish. No longer shall Church extension in one region be crippled by poverty and neglect, while other fields are generously supplied with men and means. No longer shall missionaries and Church workers be compelled to leave their homes and wander around in richer dioceses, hat in hand, begging for help, like mendicants asking alms.

"We are of one Church; and as St. Paul said, 'The strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not merely please themselves.'

"Let us gladly surrender ourselves to the call of the Holy Spirit, Who is stirring the hearts and quickening the minds of Churchmen in every diocese.

"We shall all pray for God's special blessing upon the Church; and 'more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.' The Spirit will be poured out upon us; He will baptize us; and the whole company of the baptized will be caught up in a spiritual enthusiasm, that will burst the barriers of selfishness—diocesan selfishness, parochial selfishness, individual selfishness; and we shall see the glory of the Lord, as we pour out our gifts before Him.

"Let us praise God for the new day—for the Great Vision—and let us—each one—see to it that we do our share of work for God and get the Divine blessing."

EPIPHANY

This season of the Church's year through which we are passing, is called "Epiphany." It follows immediately after, and is indeed an extension of the Christmas Season and continues up to Septuagesima Sunday. The festival of Epiphany, must be deemed of very high importance by the believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life—the visit of the three wise men to worship the "new born King"—it also asserts one of the most fundamental and vital features in Christianity; the great distinctive feature between Christianity and Judaism. The Jewish religion was the religion of a race was a merely rational religion like this a full unveiling of the mind of a common Father of the whole human race? Was His interest and love to us confined to one people alone? Was there to be no place in His heart for the races that lay east and west and north and south of the favored race? Was the love of God come to reveal the Father's love to save one set of people only, or has He come to manifest His love to save all people, everywhere?

The events set forth in the festival of the Epiphany, and the missionary teaching of this Epiphany Season are sufficient to answer that question. The Church's mission is to **all the world** and to every people, to every clime. The Epiphany season is the great missionary season of the Church. Every season, of course should be a "missionary season," but at the Epiphany, special emphasis is laid on this teaching; indeed, that is what the word "Epiphany" means—"manifestation," "shining out." The star shone out and led the Gentiles to the child of Bethlehem and "they came to worship Him." And so we pray in the collect for Mission:

O God, who hast made of one blood, all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS
Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.
FRIDAYS
Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.
BAPTISMS
Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

THE NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN

During the past month, our Church, in conjunction with all Episcopal Churches throughout this entire country, took part in the Every Member Canvass.

The purpose of this effort was the carrying out of the plans formulated at the triennial convention of the Church held at Detroit, to endeavor to bring before every member of the Church the pressing need of an awakening of interest in the work of the Church both within each Parish and the work without the Parish. It is hoped that through this awakened interest every member would rally to the support of this great work, and give more fully both of service and financially than ever before that the Episcopal Church might be enabled to take the position in the great work of reconstruction which is before us, that its membership and also its past history would warrant.

The committees having this canvass in charge, report a most gratifying response on the part of the congregation. The number of those pledging regular support to the work of the church was largely increased and many who had already pledged themselves, generously increased the amounts. There are now 386 regular contributors pledged to give through the envelopes.

The financial outlook is very encouraging but much is still to be desired. The work of the church is still to be done. This can be accomplished successfully if each and every one will do his or her part. We can at least make an effort to attend at least one of the services each Sunday, and if there is no opportunity of performing any further work—this alone would encourage the rector and add to the interest of the service.

Let each and every one do his part to make our church the power it should be in the community.

E. B.

With every evidence of enthusiasm the intensive week of the Church's Nation-Wide Campaign has drawn to a close, with the membership from coast to coast uplifted, awakened and informed. Although weeks may be required to tally the full results, early reports indicate the successful culmination of this greatest effort of the Church to expand and extend all her activities through one great drive.

The Intensive Drive is over, but the great work of the Nation-Wide Campaign is yet before the Church. The Campaign has brought an awakening to the Church—its clergy, its lay workers, its inactive communicants. All have been made to see the vision of greater opportunities, deeper responsibilities, which confront Christianity today. They have been made to hear the call to service. They stand ready to carry on the new program of the Church, opened to them by the Nation-Wide Campaign.

NECESSARY PARISH HOUSE AND RECTORY REPAIRS

Repairs on the Parish House and Rectory will be necessary to be made as soon as the weather will permit. The Vestry has authorized the Property Committee to have these repairs made. The cost will be about \$1,000.

NEW HYMNALS ADOPTED

At a meeting of the Vestry, held on Tuesday, January 6, "it was decided to adopt for use in Christ Church, the new Hymnal which has been recently published and formally approved and authorized" by the General Convention of the Church—The Vestry authorizes the Choir Committee to purchase 100 of these hymnals with musical score. It is hoped that members of the congregation will provide themselves with copies of these hymnals at once. The price of single copy is \$1.20 an edition with words only is being published and may be procured in a few weeks. It is highly desirable, however, that as many persons who can, will provide themselves with copies with music score. The Commission on the hymnal in the report rightly puts it:

"Every other Church than the Episcopal Church places in the hands of its people the hymns with the music score. Only thus can congregational singing be sustained. The older people may not know the notes, but the younger people are being trained to sing by note. If, therefore, we hope to have a singing church, we must give the younger people in the Sunday School and in the Church every encouragement to sing.

The General Convention of 1916 "approved and authorized the New Hymnal." The

General Convention of 1919 at Detroit sent this resolution to the Church:

"The House of Deputies concurring, the House of Bishops heartily commends to all parishes and missions the use of the New Hymnal with musical score, in order to take advantage of the present popular interest in singing, and to promote congregational singing throughout the whole Church."

Persons desiring copies of the New Hymnal may procure them from the Vestry of the Church.



THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Well, a year has gone and a new year has come for us, as well as for others. As to the past year, although not doing all we hoped to do, we have shown progress in every direction, we think. With the spirit of co-operation that exists among officer, teacher and scholar, we are bound to go forward during 1920. A brief report for last year is as follows: Number on roll in Primary, Intermediate and Main School 290; gain for year, 78. (Sixty new scholars brought in by old scholars;) Teachers lost, 8; teachers secured, (new) 11; average attendance during December (notwithstanding two stormy Sundays) 190, as against 147 the year before.

Our offerings have been for Mission	\$95.00
Lenten Mite-Box Mission	225.00
To Church	315.00
To Support three Orphans in France	109.50

Total	\$744.50
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The above figures do not include men and women's Bible classes, which report as follows: 2 Women's Bible Classes, 32; Men's Bible Class, 75 members. Making a total membership for all departments of the school—397.

The Sunday School presented "Thanksgiving Gifts" to the poor of the parish, 360 packages of food.

We had our usual Christmas Church Service and entertainment for the Primary and Main Schools, old Santa Claus appearing at both the latter; also the "Girl Scouts" of the school gave us a play, "The Fairy's Daughter," which was hugely enjoyed by all. We also had more fathers and mothers with us than for many years and we hope to have still more next year.

One of our faithful teachers, Miss Edna Cave, has had to leave us January 1st, but we hope to have her return at Easter.

Our motto for the year of 1920 is "He that winneth Souls is wise." Proverb 11:30.



THE WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS

During Colonel Potter's enforced absence for a year, on account of his eyes, many of the class have drifted away and what we want to do this year is to build it up again. Now there are certainly 30 or 40 young women in this church of ours, who while they may be too old to attend the Sunday School proper, are not too old to show their interest in the church to which they owe allegiance and one way they can do this is by helping to build up this class. Will you not come and bring a friend? Ten o'clock is not early even on Sunday morning. Mr. Potter's long experience as a student and teacher of the Bible, is a guarantee you will be interested if you make a start. Also the need of the Sunday School for future teachers should be met by this class.

M.



THE WOMEN'S AFTERNOON BIBLE CLASS

The Bible Class for women, which meets in the Parish House on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock is taught by Mr. Henry R. Baremore. The class has been following the teachings of the Church year and each Sunday take up the study of the Gospel and Epistle for the day.

All women who cannot attend the Bible Class, held in the morning, are cordially welcome to the afternoon class.



POSITION WANTED

Any one wishing a companion or helper in home for two or three days a week or in early evening, may inquire of The Parish Visitor, Christ Church Parish House.



ROOM AND BOARD WANTED

Inquire of Parish Visitor, Christ Church Parish House.



GERMANTOWN CONVOCATION TO MEET IN PARISH HOUSE

The Germantown Convocation will meet in Church on Tuesday Jan. 20th. The Morning

Service will be at 11:15 o'clock. The Sermon will be preached by the Rev. Robert Johnson L. D. D. Rector Church of Saviour Philadelphia.

Luncheon will be served in the Parish House at one o'clock. Business session will be held at the same place at 2:30 P. M.

Members of this congregation are invited to attend both the Services in the Church at 11:15 A. M. and the business session in the Parish House at 2:30 P. M.

Among other business to be transacted in the afternoon will be the election of a Dean of the convocation. The Rev. Jacob LeRoy the acting Dean, has served for the past nineteen years. Under his efficient administration the missionary work of the Convocation has grown and extended and it was with great regret that the Convocation at its last meeting, accepted his resignation. Mr. LeRoy has been made Rector-Emeritus of St. Martin's in the Fields. He will make his temporary residence at Atlantic City. The best wishes of their many friends go out to Rev. and Mrs. LeRoy for many years of health and happiness.



CONFIRMATION CLASS NOW FORMING

Confirmation Classes are now forming and the Rector will begin on Sunday afternoon, February 1st a course of instruction on "Confirmation and the teachings of the Church." Their Instructions will be continued every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock and on every Friday evening at eight o'clock, until the Bishop Visitation on Maundy Thursday Evening. All persons who wish to be confirmed or are thinking of Confirmation are requested to confer with the Rector at once. He will be glad to meet them in the Church after any Service or by appointment.



ATTENTION! ALL EX-SERVICE MEN

The Service for Service Men

Sunday, February 22nd

The attention of all ex-service men of and now residing in or near this Parish is called to the special service planned for the evening of Sunday, February 22nd next in Christ Church. The purpose of the service is to indicate to the men who left this Parish to serve in the Army the fact that their services have earned for them a place in the corporate life and future of the Parish that will never

be forgotten. Suggestions for some form of permanent memorial to be erected in the Church itself would be welcomed by the Rector—something in the way of a memorial tablet or memorial window upon which could be placed a fitting inscription and which would serve as a lasting tribute to the service men and add to the beauty of the Church's interior as well. "The Service Flag," with stars on it, which still hangs in the chancel, will be taken down at this Service.

Suggestions relative to the form of service on the 22nd will be welcomed from the former service men. The desire is to have them feel that this service is peculiarly theirs and every effort will be made to have one which will be helpful.

There has been a tendency on the part of the men returning from France to be restless and unsettled and especially is this noticeable in their Church life. No one excepting those who have been abroad with the Army will ever be able to understand this feeling of the returned men. But on the other hand, it is just as well for the returned man not to be unbalanced by it. He must realize that the condition of people and affairs in general as he finds them here at home are more or less those which will govern for the rest of his all-too-brief period of mortal toil and no really sane man is going to fool himself that he would willingly exchange the ways and customs of his army life in dugouts and trenches, unless he is again called to do so by his Country. And then even though there will be lots of growling and complaining the Parish House. We had the pleasure of assisting at the party which the class gave Mr. Garley on December 30th.

We expect to hold a Rummage Sale in connection with the class on Saturday January 17th and will appreciate anyone notifying any member of the class if they have any rummage and it will be called for.

G.F.D.



VESTMENT—GUILD

The choir, through The Vestment Guild take the greatest pleasure in extending thanks and appreciation to the Committee, actively represented by Mr. Banes, for the comfort that has been brought to them by the installation of a stove for the heating of the choir room.

Heretofore it has been so uncomfortable as to literally freeze up the spirits of the members of the choir. Now it is warm, genial and filled with smiles.

L. J. J

THE MOTHER'S MEETING ...

The annual dinner of the Mother's Meeting was held on January 6. We were fortunate in having a beautiful day, so that almost all the members were able to attend. The meeting was opened at 2:30 by Mr. Arndt who gave a talk on the lessons to be learned from the Epiphany Season. When the time came to adjourn to the dining-room the two directors were presented with beautiful cheese and cracker dishes, a highly valued gift, from the members of the Meeting. We then marched into the dining-room singing Onward Christian Soldiers, and took our places at the table. A delicious dinner was served, after which some selections were read by the members. We there, had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Van Oppenlander Eberle tell stories in her most delightful way. At five o'clock the afternoon was ended by the singing of the Doxology, and we all returned to our homes feeling that our afternoon had been a great success. A note of sadness was present with us, for we missed several familiar faces. During the past year three of our members have passed into the great beyond—Mrs. Kate Buckley, our oldest member; Mrs. Samuel Crowther, and Mrs. Charles L. Read. The personality of these women has meant much to our meeting, but while we miss their earthly presence we still feel their influence among us.

H. F. A.

THE DRAMATIC CLUB

The Dramatic club has been laboring under difficulties, but it hopes to be able to produce its play sometime in February before Lent. The name of the play will be "Mrs. Haywood's Help" in two acts. The admission will be fifty cents. After the play there will be dancing.

R. C.

THE CHIMES

The new year and everybody rich. How about helping the Chimes a little? We need

money! Some who have contributed lately are: Dr. Johnson, Miss M. M. Nixon, Mrs. Wisner, Miss Dietz.

Please send or give your contribution to Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman street or to the Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH CALENDAR

Only a few Christ Church Calendars for 1920 are in the hands of the Berger. Any who wish to purchase one of these Calendars are advised to apply to him at once.

I want to put the following advertisement in the Chimes:

Lost—For some weeks back, one basketball team. Reward of a basketball game if returned to the Gymnasium of the Parish House any Tuesday evening at 7:30 p. m.

Have saved the best until last. We decided that our Christmas should not be entirely thoughtless and selfish so we packed a basket full of goodies for a poor family. All of the necessities for a nice Christmas dinner were put in this basket—even sugar—as well as some toys which were kindly donated for the kiddies. If the family enjoyed receiving this basket as much as we enjoyed sending it to them—why they liked it a whole lot!

So here are best wishes for the success and good work of the Girl's Friendly for 1920!

G. M. G.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The Junior Auxiliary at Christ Church resumed its sessions in November. The meetings are held every Friday afternoon at four o'clock in the Parish House.

The value of the Junior Auxiliary is that it trains young people and children to take their part in the missionary work of the Church. To pray and to work for missions are the objects of the Junior Department.

In November and December our branch made Christmas post card boxes filled with candy and nuts and sent them to Mr. Hatcher's Sunday School out west. The children are planning this year to make articles for a box to be sent away. First they will dress dolls for the box.

The officers of Christ Church "Junior" are:
President—Margaret Courtney.
Secretary—Catherine Wertsner.
Treasurer—Helen Mellenry.

Our members are enthusiastic workers, and have attended regularly. We extend a most cordial invitation to all girls of the Parish over 8 years of age; and we hope to see many new members at the next meeting—Friday at 4 o'clock.

G. M. G.

CHURCH-GOING HABIT

How easy it is to get out of the habit of church attendance! If the devil can get you to believe that you are not well Sunday morning, or that it is threatening weather, or that company has come or is likely to come, or some member of the family is not well and needs your assistance, he will insist on your staying away just this once.

The next Sunday you may really be sick or have a good reason for not going to church. Then the next Sunday the devil will begin to find you an excuse, and he is not long at it. So you have missed three services. By this time you have lost some interest. Soon a year passes and you have attended church only a few times. Before another year passes you are criticizing the church and its workers.

You see the faults of other people more than the same boys with red blood in their veins will worry along over to where the Main Action is taking place.

But, meanwhile, the things which require our attention and support are the essential things in any real, virile, thinking man's life—his God, his Church, which stands for the things of God—and his neighbor.

After all is said and done, the things which endure the wear and tear of the ages, the things which the minds of men, destructively inclined, cannot destroy and to which, constructively inclined, the minds of the best men turn as a field for their efforts—these are the things to grasp and cling to firmly and unite in our efforts to support and the Church of God is one of these things. The men from France would do well to consider that

Let's begin by proving our loyalty to the Parish in doing all that we can to make the coming service one of real value.

RICHARD H. GURLEY,
33rd Division.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

The all day meetings of the Women's auxiliary are proving to be a great success. Every one seems to enjoy the morning session with its sewing for the City Mission and those who do not bring their lunch and stay for the afternoon meeting surely miss a very good time. This innovation has been voted a great success by every one.

At our last afternoon meeting we had two very interesting speakers: Mrs. North, president of the United Offering, spoke of the Women's United Thank Offering at the Triennial Conference in Detroit. Mrs. North's talk was followed by a most stirring address by Mr. Zocker, a converted Russian Jew, who spoke to us on the misfortune of Jewish Missions.

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday January twenty-first beginning at ten o'clock and every Wednesday thereafter. Be sure to bring your lunch and stay until the afternoon meeting, and hear the Missionary address. Every woman in the Parish will be cordially welcomed.

A. F. W.

THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church Sunday School has held only four (4) meetings but, within that time we have made house boxes, out of postal cards for the needy poor, and filled them with candy cake; nuts, and in one there was a nicely dressed doll.

New members are coming into the auxiliary all the time and we are always glad to see them, because under the management of Mrs. Gerhart and Miss Ruth we hope to become a large, useful organization. The money that we have in the treasury we are going to use for some good purpose.

Katherine Wertsner, Secretary.

THE JUNIOR BROTHERHOOD

Where's the Junior Brotherhood boys? Hasn't anyone seen any of them at work? Perhaps not as yet but on the night of November the thirtieth, eight of our boys were invited into the Brotherhood all full fledged Junior workers, they were: D. Arndt, C. Courtney, R. Carmint, F. Falkner, N. Johnson A. Raynor, R. Sutcliffe, and C. Van Dusen.

The service, after which followed our initiation, was on St. Andrew's night and Mr. Spencer came up and gave us a splendid talk and afterwards encouraged us on with our work. Mr. Leming gave the boys individually and Mr. Arndt received them assisted by Mr. Gurley. At the first meeting of the New Year to be held Wednesday night the 7th in the Parish the chapter will lay out its Winter plan. In 1920, therefore, Christ Church may look forward to a profitable work done by its Juniors. The Chapter wishes a Happy New Year to its Parish and to all in it.

R. Carmint, Secretary.



GIRLS FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly Society has felt the Christmas rush as well as others. We have been working feverishly to finish our trays to give them for Christmas presents. And I am sure each one felt duly repaid for the effort. Miss Cave has been a jewel in this "rush season"—so patient, and has always had time for everybody.

On December 9 there was a joint meeting of all the Germantown branches of the Girl's Friendly at St. Michael's Church. Supper was served, and every one agreed that it was a perfectly delightful supper; after which there were talks by special speakers. These were also universally enjoyed. Altogether a most enjoyable social as well as beneficial evening was spent.

We also had a good time at our last monthly social meeting. Since we had decided not to have the cooking class any more we had to think of some other refreshment. That other refreshment turned out to be ice cream which is "always delicious and nutritious."

Our December meeting was supposed to be held last Tuesday, December 30, but as that was the night of the Sunday School party we had to change our meeting to January 6th. Here's hoping we have an over crowded meeting that night.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Arndt for his commendation in the last issue of the "Chimes". We have been meeting regularly with very good attendance. We spent the afternoon of December 23rd decorating and getting everything in readiness for the Christmas Services. New Purificators are being embroidered by several members of the Guild and the Altar Linens and stoles have recently been marked. The Serving Committees for January will be as follows:

Jan. 2-9: Mrs. Colton, Misses Mauser and E. Thompson.
Jan. 9-16: Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien.
Jan. 16-23: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhard, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.
Jan. 23-30: Misses Dean, Falkner, M. Thompson, Crowder.

G. E. D.



AUXILIARY TO THE MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Auxiliary to the Men's Bible Class has been very glad to have several new members join us during the last month and we hope that others will follow, we meet the second Monday of each month at 8:30 in the church. If the devil can get a church member to look at the faults of some other member, it won't be long until he is out of the church. Be punctual to attend all the services possible. Come praying for the needs of your own soul, and not criticizing or finding fault with your neighbor. Make it the rule of your life to attend at least every Sunday. You owe that much to yourself; certainly you owe as much to your neighbor and to your God. Let us all unite to make this year the best year. May we expect you at service next Sunday?

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A LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Christ Church Rectory,

Lent. 1920

My Dear Friends:

Once again the call of Lent is sounding in our ears, bringing with it its message of unspeakable solemnity to every soul which will hearken. Lent succeeds Lent with a rapidity which almost startles us as the years fly by, and each one brings us nearer to the long ages of that eternity which is so very near to us,—so much nearer than we are yet able to realize.

Let us begin this Lent in the most earnest prayer to the Holy Spirit for His guidance and blessing upon what we are going to undertake. So much depends upon prayerful preparation. The great Sower will sow His seed now, as always, with the most liberal hand; but its fruitfulness will depend upon the preparation of the ground of the heart. Are we convinced that prayer is the one power which can command the graces of God, and that nothing good and lasting can be done without it? No matter if at the present moment you feel cold and lifeless, and disinclined for the necessary effort; it is prayer that will remedy this. Go to God and tell Him exactly how you feel. Put all your trust, not in yourself, but in what you know that He is able to give you. This very disinclination is often a sign that He means to do great things for you, and that He wants you to recognize that it is He Who has done it. Have you not found that the most blessed

Lents in your past life have been those in which you have been most conscious of your weakness at the beginning, but about which you have prayed very earnestly? Let us begin this Lent and continue and end it in the spirit of more earnest prayer.

There is something indescribable about this season of Lent, something which cannot be explained by the mere fact of the extra services and our own penitential discipline, something which I have recognized and wondered at and rejoiced in for very many years; it is like the touch of another world upon the darkness and worldliness of our present lives. It is a wilderness, but the wilderness has blossomed like the rose. It is often a hard and wearisome way, but there are visions of the Heavenly country. What can this mean but the "unction of the Holy One," and the magnet power of the cross? There is nothing more certain than this to all who have experienced this atmosphere of Lent. God is always near us, but then He makes His nearness felt, because He sees us really trying to draw near to Him.

But this drawing nigh unto God is not merely the effect of prayer; it is also brought about by strictness of life, and the voluntary acceptance of the cross. There can be no blessing upon a Lent in which self-discipline does not hold a very foremost place. The ordinary means are fasting and works of mortification; all earnest Churchmen will want to use these means, but, for those who cannot for reasons of health practise these, there must, at least, be a real renunciation of

the world, and of the luxuries of life, however harmless in themselves. It is impossible to exaggerate the spiritual effect of this voluntary treading the way of the cross. Its influence is felt at once; the scales of worldliness drop from our eyes, the heavenly vision becomes clearer, the interior life is invigorated and new possibilities of holiness open out before the soul. **Can we afford to throw away one of life's great opportunities** for the sake of a little self-indulgence and personal ease? Has not long experience taught us that these have never brought us real happiness or satisfaction? God is the only true end and joy of the soul. When shall we learn this, and give ourselves up without reserve to seek Him? I pray that the hearts of the men and women—and the children, too—of Christ Church will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to make this Lenten Season an occasion of **real sacrifice, of unselfish devotion, of a deepening** of the spiritual life of the soul. This we can do only by using the Divine Means of Grace which our Saviour has oesueathed unto us,—fasting, prayer and Sacrament.

Affectionately, your friend and Rector,
CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR LENT

1. Be present as far as possible, at every service of the Church. The benefit will be to others as well as to yourself.
2. Make your Communion more frequently and with a more definite purpose and preparation.
3. Read the Scriptures regularly and meditate upon what you read. Too many treat the Bible as a book of the past.
4. Pray until prayer becomes a habit, turning to God at all times as naturally as the flower turns to the sun.
5. Keep a strict watch over the door of your lips this Lent. If you cannot speak well of others, say nothing.
6. Deny yourself every luxury and add the cost of it to your Easter offering. The cost of self-denial should be **given**, not saved.
7. Refrain from entertainments and places of public amusement. "Love dissipated upon many objects concentrates itself upon none."
8. Let self-examination be a daily duty. It is not a question of where you stand, but **whither** you are moving.

9. Be regular in your attendance to whatever guild or society you belong. Nominal membership counts for nothing save a discouragement to others and a discredit to yourself.

10. Make your **Lent positive**, not merely negative. Undertake some practical work for good, and carry it through.

YOU OUGHT TO BE CONFIRMED

A number of persons in the congregation, who ought to be confirmed, have not, as yet, given their names to the Rector. They ought not to put it off. They owe a solemn allegiance to Jesus Christ and His Church. It is their duty to their family, to themselves, their Church and their God. They have been hesitating—putting it off for years. Each year it becomes more difficult to say "I will." Some day it will be "too late."

Will not every man and woman in this vicinity, who is desirous of leading a better life, who would seek "those things which are above" who would be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, come to the Rector and talk the matter over with him? The Rector is most anxious to help any one who wants to come. Now is the time. "Whosoever will—let him come!"

HIS GIFT TO THE DEAD—AN EASTER SUGGESTION

A friend has sent to the Rector the following touching account of a gift of love to the dead. It is an example worthy of imitation. It is an appropriate Easter suggestion. The account is as follows: "An old man came to the home of a certain clergyman the other day and laid down \$150.00 "to help out some needy family." Then he told this story:

"Years ago, when all of my folks were living, I couldn't afford to give presents. Things are different now, but most of my folks have gone. I went shopping, just as if my folks were alive. I picked out a shawl for an aunt of mine. She's dead and so I didn't buy it, but I put down the amount of money I would have spent. Then I went and got some things for my dead brother and for my father and mother and for a few old friends of mine. I didn't really get them, you know, but I priced the things, I thought they would like. When I added up all the money I would have spent it came to almost \$150, so I added a little to it, and here it is."

THE BIBLE

"Within that awful volume lies
The mystery of mysteries!
Happiest they of human race
To whom God has granted grace
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,
To lift the latch and force the way;
And better had they ne'er been born,
Who read to doubt, or read to scorn."
—Sir Walter Scott

The Church of the First Century had no Bible, as we have now, and was dependent upon the Ministry of the Church. But it had its organic life,—its Creed, its Sacraments, its Ministry.

These are the essentials in teaching and administering the Faith.

SUNDAY EVENING ADDRESSES ON THE BIBLE

The Rector wishes to call the attention of **all persons in this community** to the very exceptional opportunity and privilege that will be afforded to them to hear a special course of masterful addresses on the Bible, which will be delivered by the Rev. James Alan Montgomery, Ph.D., in Christ Church on the first five Sunday evenings in Lent. The title of the course of addresses will be "The Land, The People and The Book." This course will deal with the history of the various books of the Bible, their contents and purpose.

Dr. Montgomery is well known as one of the foremost scholars of the Bible in America and is an acknowledged authority on Old Testament subjects. He spent much time in study in the Holy Land and the East and is the author of several prominent works, among which is his noted book: "The Samaritans, their Theology, History and Literature."

The announcement of this course of addresses, to be delivered by Dr. Montgomery in Christ Church, will, no doubt be of great interest to a large number of people in Germantown who will wish to hear this noted scholar on the absorbing subject—"The Land, The People and the Book." Evening service is at 7:45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Seats free.

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The Accounting Warden has given to the Rector the names of a number of subscribers to the Envelope System who are in arrears—some of them for several months. There are a few who made pledges and have not given anything through the envelopes. Some of these persons, the Rector knows, have been absent from the city, or have been ill. These persons, of course, will remit in full as soon as they are able to return to the services of the Church. There are others on the list who have overlooked this duty, possibly through forgetfulness or it may be carelessness. As all pledges are entirely voluntary, any who wish to withdraw their pledges may do so at any time, by notifying the Rector or the Warden. But, until this is done, the Warden takes it for granted that the subscriber intends to fulfill his or her pledge.

There is needed about \$1,000.00 for the urgent repair to the rectory roof which must be attended to at once. It will, therefore, be a great relief to the Warden, if all who are in arrears, will kindly send to him the amount due, as soon as possible.

WHY OUGHT WE TO ATTEND SUNDAY SERVICES?

Christ founded the Church in order to perpetuate His gospel from generation to generation.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector. The Chimes will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7:30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7:30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2:30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7:30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7:30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7:45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7:30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11:00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9:30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9:45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3:00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5:00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

One of the methods by which the Church perpetuates itself is by regular weekly assemblies.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is," says the apostle.

The man who goes to Church regularly on Sunday, preaches to all men that he believes in the gospel and his responsibility thereto. The man who stays at home proclaims to the world that his public duty to Christ and the Church is not a matter of primary importance.

It is this living testimony to the gospel that makes for the effectiveness of the Church or against it.

The duty of Church going is not one of personal interest, but one of a permanent obligation, in which we do a thing whether it is interesting to us or not because we believe in the importance of doing it.

As good soldiers we do not ask what we like but rather what we ought to do for Christ and the Church."



CALENDAR FOR LENT

February 18th—Ash Wednesday
February 22nd—First Sunday in Lent
February 24th—St. Matthias
February 25th, 27th, 28th—Ember Days
February 29th—Second Sunday in Lent
March 7th—Third Sunday in Lent
March 14th—Fourth Sunday in Lent
March 21st—Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 25th—Annunciation B. V. M.
March 28th—Sixth (Palm) Sunday in Lent (Confirmation)
April 1st—Maundy Thursday
April 2nd—Good Friday
April 4th—Easter Day



THE WEEK-DAY LENTEN SERVICES

The Services on week days during Lent will be held in the side Chapel, with the exception of the Wednesday night Services, which will be as usual, in the nave of the Church.

Attendants at the afternoon Services are requested to sit together in the South transept, instead of being scattered throughout the main body of the Church. This will add to the heartiness of the singing and interest in the service.

SERVICES IN LENT

Ash Wednesday
Holy Communion 7:30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office, Address 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service Address 8:00 P. M.
Every Afternoon (except Wednesday and Saturday)
Evening Prayer, Short Address 4:45 P. M.
Every Wednesday.
Litany, Holy Communion 9:30 A. M.
Evening Service, Address (see below)* 8:00 P. M.

Sundays

Holy Communion, Every Sunday 7:30 A. M.
First Sunday 11:00 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon (see below)* 7:45 P. M.
*Subjects for Wednesday Evening Addresses: "Reasons for our Belief," February 18th, "In a Personal God," February 25th, "In Jesus Christ, the Son of God," March 3rd, "In the Holy Spirit," March 10th, "The Holy Catholic Church," March 17th, "The Communion of the Saints," March 24th, "The Life Everlasting."

*Subject for Sunday Evening Addresses: "The Land, the People and the Book," by the Rev. James Alan Montgomery, Ph.D., Professor at the Divinity School in Philadelphia. Confirmation Instruction, in Parish House, Friday evening, 8:00 o'clock (for adults.) Sunday afternoon (for Juniors) four o'clock.



Why not make it a Lenten object to bring one child to Holy Baptism, or so to interest some halting neighbor, some weak brother for whom Christ died, that he might take upon him the responsibilities of his Christian Life? In other words, very briefly: Find candidates for Holy Baptism and Confirmation. You will be then doing some definite work in building up the Kingdom.



MR. GURLEY'S ORDINATION

The many friends of Dr. Richard H. Gurley of our Parish will be pleased to learn that he is to be ordained Deacon on Sunday morning, February 29th. The Service will be held in the Diocesan Church of St. Mary's corner Broad and South Streets, Philadelphia. The Bishop has asked the Rector of Christ Church to preach the Ordination ser-

mon. There will be others ordained at the same time, some to the Diaconate and others to the Priesthood. Members of the Parish are invited to attend this service, which will be at ten o'clock.

DR. MONTGOMERY'S ADDRESSES ON THE BIBLE

No one should fail to attend the course of Sunday evening addresses on the Bible, which will be given during Lent by the Rev. James Allan Montgomery, Ph.D. This course, entitled "The Land, The People and The Book" will be of intelligent interest to every one who wishes to have a clearer and better understanding of the Bible.

Service will be at 7:45 P. M. All are invited. Seats free.

One thing I do believe—more surely than the evidence of the senses, for they may be imposed upon;—more surely than those self-evident axioms upon which mathematical truth is built, for these axioms are only spun out of the human mind, and not external to it. I do believe that God is true. I do believe that whenever God makes a promise, He will assuredly fulfill it. I do believe that if you or I come under the terms of the promise, He will fulfill it to us.—Goulburn.

LENT'S THREE-FOLD APPEAL

Every duty to be performed, every responsibility to be met, every privilege to be enjoyed, requires three steps—each step the result of an appeal to man's nobler nature; a proper response to which brings success in life, while refusal to heed its voice spells failure.

The first appeal is made to your Conscience—to rouse the sense of duty—to make you take the first step and say: **I ought** to do it.

The second appeal is made to your Ambition—to give you confidence—to make you feel equal to the task—to make you take the second step and say: **I can** do it.

The third appeal is made to your Manliness—to lead you to consecrate your talents, your time, your thought, your money, to your task—to make you take the third and all-important step and resolve: **I will** do it.

This three-fold Appeal gives Lent its meaning—a season devoted to "making things

right"—to giving your life "a new start"—to the application to your religious nature of general principles, recognized as valuable in every sphere of life. Without this appeal, Lent has no meaning.

Apply this principle to Lenten duties:

PRAYER. Did any man ever succeed in any enterprise whatever, who did not keep it in his mind and make it the burden of his expressed desires? It is the first element in success. The spiritual life is no exception. You must strengthen your desires for spiritual things, and for a nobler life by prayer. Lent makes the Appeal, and your response must be: **I ought** to pray, **I can** pray, **I will** pray.

FASTING. The companion of prayer—the evidence of sorrow for sin. To fast for a purpose always strengthens that purpose. If you would follow in the footsteps of your Saviour, you will say: **"I ought** to fast, **I can** fast, **I will** fast.

REPENTANCE. It is the tendency of everything to drift. Rules and regulations control mercantile houses, and govern homes, but it is only by "eternal vigilance" that the "standard is maintained." Your life drifts into habits that need correction. Therefore it is necessary to repent—to turn back—to make a better start. Lent bids you Repent. It is for you to say: **I ought** to repent, **I can** repent, **I will** repent.

SELF-EXAMINATION. "Taking stock" is a familiar phrase. It is the annual drawing of balances—the study of the condition of business—of profit and loss—the determination of methods for future success. Every person needs to take account of gains and losses to character through the contact with the world—to make a careful reckoning of present conditions, with a view to better results in the future. Lent emphasizes self-examination; and realizing its value you say **I ought, I can, I will** examine myself.

ALMS GIVING. Every one gives money for that which interests him and in proportion to the interest, even to the last dollar. You are interested, all Christians are deeply interested, in the progress of the Kingdom of Christ. Therefore, your response to the Lenten admonition to give must be this: **I ought, I can, I will,**

If the appeal were made to the conscience alone, success would be easy; for in the bottom of your heart you know **you ought**. Nor would success be difficult, if an appeal to ambition; for you know **you can** if **you want to**. But the third appeal—to your manhood, by which you govern, direct, control your actions—here rests the difficulty. Until you say, **I will**, the voice of conscience will not be heeded, the ambition of your love to excell will be stifled, and you will plead all sorts of foolish excuses for failure in your Lenten Purpose.

I OUGHT

"Herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offense toward God and toward man."

I CAN

"I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me."

I WILL

"My meat and drink is to do the will of Him that sent me."

I OUGHT

O LORD, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people who call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I CAN

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and to do all such things as are right; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I WILL

STIR UP, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people; that they, plentifully bring'ng forth the fruit of good works may be Thee be plentifully rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FAST

1. Spiritually:

By real sorrow for sin and an earnest struggle against it.

2. Mentally:

By abandoning light reading and taking up the study of the Bible, and reading such works as aid devotion and give you a better

knowledge of the Church and of the Christian Faith.

3. Socially:

By withdrawing entirely from ordinary amusements and gaieties.

4. Bodily:

By acts of self-denial, "to keep the body under."

Remember, the Holy Communion is your spiritual food. Don't starve your soul, but feed it, that it may be strong.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

The C. P. C. of Christ Church, and in fact, all over the Diocese, has fallen back painfully since and during the war, all of which we can thoroughly understand, but now there is no reason for it not to get back to its original, old time standard—bringing back the cheer and diverting news to those who have been, for various reasons deprived of one of the great essentials of life—reading matter, both sacred and fictitious.

The longing and hungering after knowledge has gone on just the same among these poor people from whom we withdrew our contributions of books and magazines. Now the call has gone forth to get together and give of our literature and money to continue this splendid and much appreciated work.

Will you help? All who are willing to do so, please apply to Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Librarian, 51 Rex avenue, Chestnut Hill. Tel. 1620.

HOW SHE KNEW

Miss Blunt—"There was a man in church this morning who looked exactly like you."

Mr. Close—"How do you know it wasn't I?"

Miss Blunt—"Oh, I saw him put a dollar bill in the contribution box."—Boston Transcript.

CONFIRMATION LECTURES

The Rector will begin a course of lectures on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church" on Friday evening, February 13 at eight o'clock, (for adults), and on Sunday afternoon, February 8th, at four o'clock.

These lectures will be held in the Parish House weekly on the above evenings and af-

ternoons, until the Bishop's Visitation, Maundy Thursday evening, April 1st.

All persons, both confirmed and unconfirmed, are invited to attend these lectures.

Persons, who wish to be confirmed, are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to confer with any on the subject after Sunday service, or by appointment.



WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary will hold its regular all-day meeting on Ash Wednesday, February 18th, beginning at ten o'clock A. M. At this meeting the Lenten work will be discussed. We feel sure that there are many women in Christ Church who will be willing to come once a week during Lent to sew for some charitable object. We have been promised a very interesting speaker for this meeting and hope for a large attendance. At our last meeting Mrs. Ansel gave us a most interesting account of her missionary work in Yang Chow, China. We wish more women had been there to hear it. The business meeting is at two o'clock and at three there will be a missionary address. We hope that many women who as yet, have not come to the Auxiliary meetings, will make it their Lenten duty to do so. We need your help and co-operation in this great work. A.F.W.



GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Girls! were you there the other night? Yes! Well, I'm sure you had a most beautiful time. And if you weren't there you missed it! You want to know what I am talking about? Well, I mean our party which we had on January 27th, following our business meeting. It was perfectly lovely of Mrs. Johnson to come to see us, and to bring with her Mrs. Corielle who read some perfectly screaming selections for us. She was perfectly lovely, and I do hope we didn't seem too piggish always asking for more.

And we had such a nice crowd out. We were glad to welcome quite a few guests—among whom was a Southern relative of Leonore Robinson. She delighted us immensely with her perfectly lovely musical abilities. We also had dancing to the lively strains of our victrola.

Last but not least, come the ice cream and delicious cakes—also a result of Mrs. John-

son's presence among us. Wasn't it sweet of her to do that?

And now we are ready for some work before our next party. I think it will come along pretty soon. For I heard it rumored, that we ought to have a party before Lent comes, and we start our serious work in dead earnest. Come around, girls and join us in the G. F. S.! We want all girls to share our pleasure with us. G.M.G.



ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild held its annual supper on Thursday January 29th in The Parish House, all but three of our members were present. We were very glad to have several guests with us. After the supper Mr. Arndt spoke to us for a few minutes and then Mr. Gurley gave us a very interesting and instructive account of his experiences abroad, explaining especially The Meuse-Argonne campaign. Altogether we spent a very enjoyable evening.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

February 6th-13th: Misses Chase, Alexander, Strein.

February 13th-20th: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhard, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

February 20th-27th: Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

February 27th-March 5th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson.

Georgeanna F. Dean
Secretary.

AUXILIARY TO THE MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Auxiliary wishes to express its appreciation and thanks to all who contributed so generously to our Rummage Sale, held January 24th, thereby making it a success. In spite of the bad weather we cleared seventy dollars.

Our next regular meeting will be February 9th and we would be very glad to have any interested person join us at that time.

Georgeanna F. Dean
Secretary



ALONE WITH GOD.

There are no times in life when blessings descend so richly upon the soul as in the quiet, meditative, hours of self-examination, when alone with God the soul learns more of duty, and finds ways to fulfil it—of privileges, and enters upon their enjoyment.

You will realize the awful character of sin, and will shun it as you would a drink of deadly poison.

You will have learned how "to keep the body under," how to break every evil habit, that has gained control over you; and will rejoice over the "conquest of self."

You will have gained a deeper insight into truth, and a better knowledge of God and your relation to Him.

Your character will be purified; your spiritual power will be increased; your Christian life will be filled with richer experiences of prayer and devotion.

Looking upon the Cross, you will realize that you have been bought "with a price," and that your talents of mind and body belong to Christ—your time, influence, money life—all are Christ's and you will more fully consecrate them to His service.

Your heart will be touched with sympathy for your Redeemer; and you will love Him with an intenser love, and give Him the allegiance of your life.

You will love the Church better than ever before—

"Her sweet communions, solemn vows,
Her hymns of prayer and praise."

Are not these results worthy of your effort this Lent?



AN ORGANIZED HISTORIC CHURCH— THE DIVINE PLAN

The religion of Christ is essentially and primarily a brotherhood, a Church. The Mohammedans venerate a Book, a Bible, the Koran. The Buddhists believe in a method. But Christians are primarily and essentially members of a family, united in Christ, in a visible kingdom, a Church; and the Christian Bible is not a fetich, to be worshipped for itself—but chiefly valuable as the charter and constitution of the Church "The Church to teach, the Bible to prove"—that is the rule of faith.

Thus Christianity is a social system, the family of God, and this corresponds with the law of nature, with the revealed method of Christ, and with the principle of the Incarnation.

(1) It is a law of nature that man is a member of a community. He realizes his individuality only by and through his relations to society. The isolated individual is not moral. It is only when he comes into relation with others—in a family, a community,

a city, a nation, that he becomes a moral being. St. Paul tells (Ephes. 4:13), that the "perfect man" is to be realized, not by the individual, but by the whole Church. This is a truth most important for our time.

(2) The method of Christ in the Gospels is to create first of all a new and distinctive society in the world, to be the nucleus of His Kingdom. We can see the beginnings of its organized form, as when we read (Luke 6:13), "He called unto Him disciples, and of them He chose twelve, whom He also named Apostles." Thus Christ approved of the distinction between Clergy and Laity in the Church. So He declares the building of His Church (Matt. 16:17), and its permanence; and describes it in His parables. It was to be like a net cast into the sea, and like a field sown with tares and wheat, containing both good and bad in this world.

This Church idea is the theme of St. Paul's great Epistle to the Ephesians; the Epistles to Timothy and Titus are full of it; and the First Epistle to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 5:12), takes for granted the distinction between "those within" and "those without" the Church, just as St. Paul said (1 Cor. 12:12; Gal. 3:27) to be baptized "into Christ" is to be baptized "into the Body," i. e., the Church. The testimony of all early Christian writers is practically unanimous in favor of this conception of Christianity as primarily a Church and not as the worship of a book, or the observance of a method, or a summary of doctrine. That kind of individualism, which says that the Church exists only as a union of believers, as if it could be constituted by individuals coming together and uniting themselves into a society, does grave injustice to the New Testament. The Church originated not in the will of man, but in the will of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Church has a reality of its own independent of the individual members, for

(3) The principle of the Incarnation is that Christianity is not merely a moral standard, it is not a mere revelation of truth. It is both of these, but it is more. It is the bringing in of new life, the communication of power. "I came," He said, "that ye might have life; and that ye might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). That is the justification of the Church, the Sacraments, the Ministry, aye, of the architecture, the music, the liturgical beauty and richness of the historical services of the Church. They all contribute to the fulness of the life in Christ.—Bishop Gailor.

UP OR DOWN?

We do not know who said it but it was well said. "People who are down on missions are usually those who are not up on missions." There is a world of truth in this simple statement which lies at the bottom of all the modern movement toward missionary education. Again and again it has been demonstrated that opposition to missions, as such, has its foundation only in ignorance. How many times have we heard of persons who had "no use for missions," yet after a trip through foreign lands, with seeing eyes and an open mind, have become enthusiastic advocates of that which they once condemned?

PAYING AND GIVING

We ought to make a distinction between paying and giving. Then the paying of money would go in general for our Parish needs and expenses, such as the support of the clergy, the sexton and the choir, the provision of a suitable church building, and the heat and light and equipment necessary to make our church home clean and comfortable and reverent. The giving of money would be so left for charities and benevolences and missions. The paying would be done for our own spiritual health and growth, as paying to schools is done for intellectual health and growth, and to grocers and butchers for our physical health and growth. And, as no self-respecting person wants another to pay gratuitously for the schooling of his children or for the table supplies of himself and family, so each and every one in the Church or Parish should have the self-respect and honest pride to want to bear his or her own share of the parish expenses. The provision for these expenses should be arranged for in a plain, business way, either by pew renting or by subscriptions carefully secured. The income so provided should be collected in a business way and put into and paid out from the parish treasury. When all this paying is provided for in a business way, then giving begins. If the paying is done cheerfully and honorably and to the full, all the offerings in church can go for charities, benevolences, and missions.

BISHOP THOMPSON ON CONFIRMATION

The Rector commends the following words of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, late Bishop of Mississippi, on the subject of Confirmation. They are strong words. God

grant that they may touch the hearts and stir the wills of some who have been putting off, from year to year, their Christian duty of Confirmation.

"The great mass of people in Christian lands are baptized in infancy. It has been the purpose of the Christian Church, from the first, to take into her arms the children, following herein the Master's example. She learned her lesson at His blessed feet, and forbids them not, because she accepts His words, that 'of such is the kingdom of heaven.' She is a training-school to teach His love and faith, to watch over and educate and train, by precept upon precept, the children whom He has committed to her charge.

Therefore, she makes them Christians to begin with. All Christian duties, all Christian obligations are upon them by election, because by God's good pleasure and the sovereign council of His own will, they have been born into a Christian land, and so elected for Christian duty and a Christian life.

These baptized children are members of Christ's Church, in the full, unlimited meaning of the term. They are the Church's most sacred charge. Above all, she is bound to guard and watch for them. As the State guards, sacredly, the rights of its children, as it recognizes their full citizenship, and protects them most zealously by courts and judges. Just because they are helpless, although it does not yet demand all a citizen's duties, nor admit them to exercise all a citizen's privileges; so the Church guards the rights of her minor members, and brings them to full growth in the Christian life, guards them the more sacredly because they are so helpless.

Her plan is, when they have come to the years of discretion, when they know good and evil, when they have learned where they stand, and what is the issue of their choice, to gather them about her, with the dew of youth and hope yet fresh upon them, with the world on which they soon must enter lying yet untried before them; to gather them about her and ask them now once more, as once the act was done in love and faith by others for them, to renew it for themselves: to conform is grace and goodness here, at the dawning, before the toiling and the fighting begin.

It is thus that Confirmation—or the laying one of hands—becomes the central fact in his Christian history

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

CLOSING DAYS OF LENT

May these closing days of Lent bring every Christian heart nearer to the Cross—nearer to Christ.

May we follow so close to Him in these solemn days of His suffering, His crucifixion and His death that we "may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made comfortable unto His death."

Then, indeed will Easter be a joyous day to us, "risen with Christ"—and seeking those things which are above.

EASTER COMMUNION

Every one, of course,—every one who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to do so, will of course, attend Divine Service on Easter Day! It would be worse than foolish even to suggest that any Christian will remain away from His Father's House on Easter Day. Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book which says, "Every Parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian soul, who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with Jesus on that great Day, joining in the triumphal song "Christ is Risen from the Dead and become the first fruits of them that slept!"

Every member of the Church will devote these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.

HOLY WEEK—This last week of the Lenten fast is everywhere observed with severer

discipline than any other fast. Services are held more frequently and all loyal Christians give themselves to more earnest prayer and effort. Our meditation, our prayers, our Communion, will be the most earnest concern of every good Churchman. It is inconceivable that any one Christian desecrate this Holy Week with any social or frivolous affair. We watch with our Lord in His passion and follow Him in His suffering to the Cross.

GOOD FRIDAY—The most solemn, serious day of all the year, of all the ages. It is a day of strict fasting, repentance and prayer. It is the day of the Cross! This will be uppermost in the mind and heart of every Christian. "It is nothing to you, all ye that pass by?" "What! Could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation!"

EASTER EVEN—This day has been universally observed as commemorating our Lord's descent into the "place of departed spirits." It has always been the day of the Christian year for baptism. The service of vigil was kept until the dawn of the resurrection morn. Churches and houses were illuminated and the Paschal candle was lighted.

EASTER DAY—"The queen of festivals," the great day of the Christian Year, commemorating the triumph of our Lord over sin, death and hell. On this day in the Eastern Church, the Christians salute each other with the words, "He is risen" and the reply is, "He is risen, indeed!" This custom

should be adopted by all Christians. Let it be so with us, "He is risen; He is risen, indeed!" This is one of the Church's "solemn days of oblation," when every Christian should draw nigh to his Saviour in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion.



OCTAVE OF EASTER—Following the custom of the Jews in prolonging their great festivals, the early Christian kept their greater festival for seven or eight days; hence the "octave of Easter." In the American Church we have collect, epistle and gospel for Monday and Tuesday of Easter Week.



ST. MARK'S DAY—Is the first Parish Day after Easter, falling this year on April 25th. St. Mark was converted by St. Peter, who speaks of him in one of his epistles on "Marcus my son." Although he forsook St. Paul when confronted by hardships and danger, afterwards proved steadfast and brave in the service of the Church and regained the confidence of St. Paul. He was with the great apostle during his first imprisonment at Rome. He became the first bishop of Alexandria and is honored as a martyr. Because of his success in winning converts he incurred the bitter hostility of the devotees of Jupiter Serapis and whilst celebrating Holy Communion on Easter Day he was dragged from the altar and through the streets of the city and beaten to death. His symbol is the lion, the ecclesiastical color for his festival is red. The beautiful church of St. Mark's Venice, commemorates this saintly bishop.



LOW SUNDAY—The first Sunday after Easter is known in the English Church as Low Sunday, probably so called in contrast with the great festival of Easter Day beginning the octave. The Eastern Church calls it "New Sunday" alluding to the renewal vows of the neophytes.



DAY OF ST. PHILLIP AND ST. JAMES—The St. James here commemorated is St. James, the Less Gal I; 19. He bore the title of "the Just," probably because of his zeal and strength of character. He was the first bishop of Jerusalem and presided over the first Council of the church. He was thrown from a pinnacle of the temple and clubbed to death.

ST. PHILLIP—it was his remark "Lord, show us the Father and it sufficeth us" that suggested our Lord's words which have brought hope and comfort to very many 'In my Father's house are many mansions' St. John, XIV. He is said to have been crucified at Hierapolis.



OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our Offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him, might have Life Eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him, whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in the Old Testament times, the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall chose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee" (Deut. 16:16.)



ONE TENTH was the tithe in the Old Testament times. Should not this proportion be the least that each follower of Jesus Christ will want to give? There are a number of the poorest members of the Parish who will give five dollars each, as a thank offering, on Easter Day. Will not every member of the Parish strive to make this amount (\$5.00) the minimum of their Lenten sacrifice? For the forty days in Lent, this will represent only a little more than ten cents a day.

Are there any in the Parish, actuated by any real love and zeal for the Church of Christ, who will not willingly make this small Lenten sacrifice—ten cents a day? This amount should not represent the "family giving," but each individual in every family; children as well as adults should make this personal offering. Our religion is a personal, an individual responsibility. There-

fore, the offering on Easter Day should represent the **personal, individual** gift and sacrifice of every man, woman and child. Then the gift will carry with it a **personal** meaning and a **personal** blessing.



Of course, many in the parish will want to give, and will gladly give, much more than this; for God has blessed them more abundantly with this world's goods. They will feel that an average of ten cents a day for an Easter offering would be an insult to their honor and to God. These persons will present on the altar as an Easter Offering many times more than this—some twenty-five, some fifty, some a hundred dollars and more. They are conscientious and recognize their many blessings and privileges which God has given to them; therefore, their larger responsibilities. "Every man," says the Bible, "shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which he hath given thee."

What real joy it is to a Christian heart to be true and just and honorable in the discharge of every duty both to God and man!



Whilst I am anxious that the full amount asked for by the vestry shall be realized, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from **all**; that **every man, woman and child** may share in it and **give conscientiously**; that their offering presented on the altar on Easter Day, may be an expression of deep, true Christian **sacrifice and devotion** from **every loyal Christian heart**.

I earnestly pray that this may be the Easter gift. Then, indeed, will their joyous Easter bring to each heart a personal, Easter blessing!

EASTER

"The strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won—
Alleluia!"

Out from the darkness into light; from the sadness of Gethsemane and Calvary into the joys of Easter; away from thoughts of suffering to hymns of victory; from the dark tragedy of Good Friday to the empty tomb—such is the great transition today in Christian thought, voiced in anthems and flowers, in carols and hymns, and emphasized in the message of joy proclaimed from Christian pulpits. The news that encircles the globe today, and visits each hamlet and village and

city, and makes hearts beat the quicker for joy, is the announcement made to the disciples of old, and repeated through all the Christian centuries; "The Lord is risen indeed."

How strong a hold the fact of the Resurrection has gained upon the hearts of men! As the centuries multiply, the thought grows stronger and stronger. The world itself keeps Easter Day. Men and women are studying the fact from every point of view. Sentiment has laid hold of it. Reason has grasped the idea. The man of science finds the law of the Resurrection capable of demonstration. The Spiritual truth beneath the fact itself far outweighs the seeming physical difficulties.

And who can find words to tell of the comfort which this thought gives to those who grieve over the loss of loved ones, gone before us? Who can express in language the hope with which it cheers and inspires the heart of one called to suffering and pain.

There is power in this central fact of Christian history. There is inspiration in this keystone in the arch of Christian truth.

Let us rejoice, then, as we look this day into the empty sepulchre. Let us weave the truth and the fact into our lives. Let it give courage to the struggles, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy in every heart because Christ has brought life and immortality to light in His Gospel.

—Selected.



REVISION OF PARISH REGISTER

It is very important that the Parish Register of Christ Church shall contain the names and correct addresses of all members of the Parish.

Will all persons, who have recently moved into the Parish and have not yet presented their letters of transfer from their former Rector, please do so at once? And will all who have moved away from Germantown, and cannot longer attend the services of Christ Church, please secure from the Rector their letter, so that he may transfer them to the Rector of the Church where they are attending?

The canons of the Church require every Rector report annually to the Bishop the communicant membership of his Parish.

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
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Vestry of Christ Church

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J. I. Morrison (1913) Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lening (1919)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

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CALENDAR FOR APRIL

April 1st. Maundy Thursday
April 2nd. Good Friday
April 3rd. Easter Even.
April 4th. Easter Day.
April 11th. First Sunday after Easter
April 18th. Second Sunday after Easter
April 25th. Sunday after Easter (St. Mark)

BURIALS

Feb. 7. Benjamin Potts McCarty
Feb. 11. Nicholina Hearst
Feb. 12. Anna Watts Wunder
Feb. 19. Sarah J. Hearst
Feb. 23. Margaret de Haas Hyslop
Feb. 23. Sarah Amerling
Feb. 23. Sarah Bainford
Feb. 28. Elizabeth Kribs' Kirk
Mar. 6. Bessie Thornton Dowling
Mar. 9. Mary Emma Steinmetz

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF THE CROSS

O CHRIST JESUS, pour Thy grace upon us; grant us love, purity, lowliness and patience in all trouble and distress; feed us with thy heavenly Bread; make us strong by Thy suffering; make us to love Thee with all our hearts, and so truly and without all deceit or guile to glory in Thee, our only Saviour, that we may draw all our power and blessedness from Thee alone, to whom be rendered all praise and thanksgiving in Thy Church, world without end. Amen.

O MOST Holy Jesus, Good Shepherd, who didst lay down Thy life for Thy sheep, save and preserve the righteous, call home the wicked, justify the penitent, have mercy upon all true believers, and upon me a miserable sinner. Amen.

O GOD, who desirest not the death of sinners, but their repentance, most mercifully regard the weakness of our mortal nature, and strengthen us by Thy goodness; that of Thy Infinite mercy we may obtain pardon for our sins, steadfastness in Thy service, and finally enjoy the rewards promised to those who persevere unto the end; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Resurrection of Christ proclaims the victory of right over wrong; of truth over error; of life over death. Right cannot be overturned, truth cannot be crushed, life cannot be destroyed. The religion of Jesus Christ has illustrated these facts in all Christian centuries.

A LIVING CHRIST

The strongest proof of the resurrection of Christ is the existence of the Church, the observance of the Lord's Day in the place of the Jewish Sabbath, and the results of the labors of a weak band of helpless disciples, who forsook Him and fled, and then suddenly became the most heroic and enthusiastic teachers and preachers that the world has known, and no power could scope with them. All this is unaccountable without the fact of the Resurrection and the power of the Holy Spirit.

A living Christ is the truth that Easter proclaims. May this holy Eastertide so fill our hearts with hope and joy in this glorious truth that everything dead, formal and indifferent in our lives may be cast out; that we may live in Him, and His spirit animate our hearts with the same missionary impulse that moved the disciples at Jerusalem in the first days. If only a small part of the professing Christians of today could be roused up to possess something of this same spirit, and to live the Christian life in sincerity, purity and love, nothing could withstand their power and His Kingdom would soon come in righteousness.

SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Holy Communion—Daily (except Good Friday and Saturday) 7.30 A. M.

Meditation on "Sacred Events of Each Day" 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday—

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Meditation 4.45 P. M.

Litany, Penitential Office, Address

8:00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday—Confirmation and Communicants' Preparatory Service for Easter Communion, by the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, Bishop of Pennsylvania, 7:45 P. M.

GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer, Penitential Office

Address 10:30 A. M.

Three Hour Meditation "On the Seven Words from the Cross" 12 M. to 3 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6:30, 7:30 A. M.

Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy

Communion, Sermon 11:00 A. M.

Church Schools' Easter Carol Service 7:30 P. M.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the Chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the Blessed Dead. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions in money to Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, 6439 Jefferson street, as soon as possible. The ladies of the Guild will personally attend to the selection and purchase of the flowers and will see to it that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. By sending contributions in money the Guild will be enabled to make a choicer and more harmonious selection. Those who prefer to contribute blooming plants or flowers are requested to send them to the Parish House on Saturday morning in time for them to be arranged in the Chancel on the same day. All persons are invited to contribute to the Easter Memorial, and any contribution, however small, will be cordially received.

THREE HOUR SERVICE ON GOOD FRIDAY

The Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross.

It is requested that persons shall be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering at this service is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms may be placed in the basins at the doors of the Church.

Your Easter offering! Have you begun to prepare for it and to make it, as was the sacrifice at the Hebrew passover a thing to be prepared for and an oblation of great joy?

THE CRUCIFIXION TO BE SUNG PALM SUNDAY EVENING

"The Crucifixion," by John Stainer, will be sung by an augmented choir in Christ Church on Palm Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock. The soloists will be, tenor, Dr. John B. Becker; baritone, Wm. R. Wister Burns; bass, Mr. Henry L. Booth. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance on the part of the members of the parish.

MUSIC ON EASTER DAY

The music on Easter morning will include the following:

Processional Hymn—109. "Welcome Happy Morning."

"Christ our Passover" Fairland
Te Deum in C Eaton
Communion Service in B flat Steane
Office Hymn 121. "The Strife is o'er, the battle done."

Anthem—"They have taken away my Lord." John Stainer

Retrocessional Hymn 115—"The Day of Resurrection."

In the evening the Sunday Schools will sing their Easter carols.

NEW ENVELOPES FOR ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter, will be furnished to all, to subscribe through the Envelope System. Former subscribers, who are pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews; others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order, on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign name

and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information, please apply, after any service to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, or by addressing the Warden at 328 South Third street.

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6:30, 7:30 A. M.

Morning Prayer (shortened form)

Holy Communion, 11:00 A. M.

Sunday School Carol Service, 7:30 P. M.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, Holy Communion, 9:30 A. M.

It is earnestly hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church will remain away from the Holy Communion on Easter Day, unless Providentially hindered. Everyone should so thoroughly prepare himself during the remaining days of Lent that he may come worthily to meet his Risen Saviour, 'reckoning himself to be dead indeed unto sin; but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.'

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

The Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 17th. The Confirmation Service will be held at 7:45 o'clock.

Immediately after the Confirmation, the Bishop will conduct a Preparatory Service for the Easter Communion. All are cordially invited to this service.

WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts viii, xix and Heb. vi) has ever been continued by the Church as 1st, the renewal of the Baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite prac-

ticed from the time of the Apostles endorsed by the fathers of the Church

A. D. 180. Tertullian:—"After Baptism,—then the Imposition of Hands."

A. D. 250. Cyprian:—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome:—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The Prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from this period. From this time on to the present there can not be any doubt concerning Confirmation or The Laying on of Hands by the Bishop being a Ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and therefore went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptism Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substituted unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, eSpt. 25, 1742.

Congregational Testimony.—The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."—Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years—shows clearly that the Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a Mother over her baptized children."—Committee of Gen. Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. "Such imposition, I highly approve, and wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition."—John Calvin.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Rector will be pleased to meet any one who has not given his or her name to him to be confirmed.

The Rector may be seen after any service or by appointment by anyone who wishes to speak to him on the subject of Confirmation. It is not yet too late. It soon will be!



Easter Day is always the first Sunday after the full moon, which happens upon or next after the twenty-first day of March; and if the full moon happens upon a Sunday, Easter is the Sunday after.



A MEMORIAL PRAYER DESK TO MRS. FALKNER

The members of the afternoon Bible Class have presented to the Church, a Prayer Desk to be used in the chapel in memory of Mrs. John B. Falkner. Mrs. Falkner was a teacher of the class for many years and her faithful services to the poor of the parish is still held in sacred memory by those who came under this wonderful Christian woman's spiritual influence.

The memorial was consecrated by the Rector at a service of the class on Sunday afternoon, March 14th.

The inscription on the desk reads:

"To the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Helen Butler Falkner. Lent 1920. Presented by the Women's Bible Class." C.H.A.



Jesus has lighted up the grave. In the resurrection from the dead Jesus has put a light in every grave, an angel in every tomb and a hope in every breast. Because that tomb is empty and Christ is risen there need be no blight without a blessing, no sorrow without a joy, no loss without a gain, no parting without a meeting. The same spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead and dark can raise up dead souls. That spirit can put a light, an angel of blessing, in every chamber of your soul. This is the true power of His resurrection. Are we risen with Christ? —N. Y. Observer.



TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Diocese of Pennsylvania

A letter from the Diocese Executive Committee

The Diocesan Executive Committee of the Nation-Wide Campaign has had several re-

quests from Parishes and individuals that it would indicate some adequate basis for pledges of money which would produce sufficient to enable the entire program of advance, including Parochial, Diocesan and General work, to be carried into effect.

The Committee has been reluctant to answer this question, not only because of the difficulties in the determination of such a basis, but also because it is the purpose of this Campaign to stimulate the interest of communicants in the work of the Church, leaving the question of gifts to the individual conscience. As an evidence of this purpose, no parish apportionments have been made.

In view of the requests, however, we think it right to depart from our usual policy and to offer the following suggestion:

It may fairly be asked of every communicant that they will set apart at least one-tenth of their income for the Lord's work. It is also not unreasonable to ask that at least one-half of this amount shall be given to the Church, leaving the other half to cover donations to general charity and to undenominational or inter-denominational activities. With the best statistics we are able to secure, we believe that if every communicant will pledge at least five per cent of his annual income to the Church, all of the financial needs of the Nation-wide Campaign will be fulfilled. Of course, those who are able will give more, but we suggest the above apportionment, merely as a help to those who desire a suggestion from us.



Let us reduce life to its first principles. Which is our chief concern—the body or the soul? this world or the next? gain or godliness? gold or character? pleasure or duty? bread or God? The subject is not debatable. Life is worth just the truth and honor and faith and valor it holds for God's service and man's—nothing more



ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

The annual election of Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, Monday, April 5th, between the hours of five and six P. M.

The terms of the following members of the Vestry expire this year: Sheldon Potter, Mr. R. Pugh, Mr. N. Johnson, F. B. Falkner.

Four Vestrymen are to be elected for a term of three years.

The following excerpt is from the By-laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8. "Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person so nominated shall be a candidate."

(Charter of Incorporation, Article 6.)

"The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Such elections shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year, between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide, and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of this Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next proceeding any such election, annual subscription of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period.



"A vestry is a body corporate, legally entrusted with the property of a parish, and the management of all its temporal affairs. The value of an active and efficient vestry cannot be over-estimated. An idle or an incapable vestry is a burden."

BISHOP LAWRENCE.



VESTRYMEN AS GUIDES IN SPIRITUALITY.

As indicating that vestrymen need not necessarily confine their influence within a parish to purely material matters, the following circular letters recently addressed by the members of the vestry to the parishioners of St. John's Church, Knoxville, Tenn., bears witness:

"In an address recently made to the congregation of our church, the Rector incidentally called attention to the fact that the average number of persons partaking of the Holy Communion at the regular service on the first Sunday of the month is only about one-sixth of the number of the confirmed persons on the record of the parish.

"While neither as vestrymen nor individually do we wish to be considered as dictating to others their duty as Churchmen we do, in the most fraternal spirit possible invite your attention to the fact that our people are not as mindful as they should be of the privilege which is theirs, of heeding the Master's injunction: Do this in remembrance of Me.' It is the one way in which we, as Christian men and women, can show our loyalty to Christ our Saviour, manifest the faith we profess, and prove that we are not ashamed of that profession of our religion.

"We beg you to consider this matter not as a duty, but as the exercise of the spirit of true worship, as an aid to personal religious strength, as the real source of a quiet mind and a calm temper in the midst of this changing and transitory life, as the means of reviving our faith in our Lord if it has been neglected, forgotten, or denied, and as the guide into the way of truth and in righteousness of life.

"We also wish it known that as vestrymen and your chosen stewards, we most heartily commend and endorse the present plans for the support of missions, both foreign and diocesan, and every good work which is being carried on in our parish life the upbuild of Christ's Kingdom and the good of our fellow men."

The letter was signed by twelve vestrymen.



THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The "weather man" has been our foe during the last two months, and with the help of "The Doctors" has kept many of us away, particularly in the Primary Dept., but we still have our enthusiasm with us and we are going to work the harder from now till Summer to make up for lost time. Nevertheless the following have been "Star Classes" (every member present) **twice**: Miss Gill's, Miss Gray's, Mrs. Morris', Mrs. Schafer's, Miss Gerhard's, Miss Omes', Mrs.

Adamus-Gu's; also we have had as high as 48 attending a church service.

We are very sorry to have lost Mrs. Adamson, who has moved to Washington, D. C., but we are glad to have the good news that Miss Cave and Miss Alexander are coming back to us at Easter and we welcome Miss Aldrich, who has come to assist in the Primary Dept.

We have received 18 new members since January 1st and several more have promised to come as soon as good weather comes. Now officers, teachers, boys and girls "get Busy." We want that new 1920 Star Roll on the wall to touch the floor by July 1st. We have two new artists who will paint names as fast as we give them in.

We have just started to reorganize the Women's Bible class and Mrs. Wurtz has kindly taken it for the present. Let us all help to build it up.

We are now at work filling up our Lenten Mite Boxes for our Easter offering for Missions. Last year we gave \$203.52. Let us make it \$250 this year. Earn what we can, get our parents to help and above all, "Do without something we want," "movies," "candy," and put it in the box instead. Already one of the primary Dept. has her box full and wants another, and then on Easter Day come to our Service in Church at half past seven "Daylight Saving Time," when it will be light enough for even our youngest member. **BRING** your parents and let us fill the church **FULL**, and we will be filled with the spirit of Easter, which is **JOY**.

R. H. M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary has been most fortunate in securing interesting speakers for its meetings this winter. We have heard of the Missionary work done among our foreign population the Poles, Roumanians and Jews. We have had Mrs. Ansel tell us about her work in China. Last month Miss Embler of

the Church Mission of Help, spoke to us of the work done among young girls, friendless and alone in this great city. Our next speaker will be from the Philippines.

Those who have attended these meetings, have felt well repaid for the effort. The meetings are held in the Parish House every third Wednesday of the month. The morning session starts at ten o'clock and is devoted to sewing for the City Mission. At our last meeting a letter was read from Dr. Jeffry's, thanking us for the generous box sent to the Mission last Spring. We hope to send a better one this year. At two o'clock the business meeting is held and at three, there is a Missionary address. I neglected to mention the lunch which is a most enjoyable feature of the day.

A. F. W.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild is very busy looking after the Lenten Services. We expect to spend the day before Palm Sunday and the day before Easter decorating. We hope that anyone who wishes to contribute memorial flowers to be placed on the altars at Easter, will do so by sending the flowers to the Church on Saturday, April 3rd.

Several members have recently finished nine new purificators and we are making some new linen Veils. We are also putting new yokes on Mr. Arndt's surplices.

The Serving Committee for the coming months will be as follows:

March 26th—April 2: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson.

April 2—9: Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien.

April 9—16: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhard, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

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The Rector's Notes

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THE EASTER COMMUNION

Four hundred and forty-three persons received Holy Communion on Easter morning. This is a large percentage of the communicant list of the parish. Some were not privileged to be present on account of illness; a few were out of the city on that day; but where were the others?

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AFTER LENT, WHAT?

For us all, let me utter this Eastertide prayer. May we this Easter-tide pass from the past tenses of our creeds to their present, no longer merely carrying spices and ointments to embalm the body of our Historic Christ and perhaps finding only an empty tomb but may we hear His voice and see His face in the living present. Let us recognize Him as with us in the daily Providence that guides our lives, with us in the daily call of duty, with us in the daily cup whether of blessing or of trial, with us in the daily admonitions and consolations of the Divine Whisper in our hearts. Let us act upon His word as a fact: "Lo, I am with you always." And we shall realize it as a truth, our Sun and our Shield, for grace and for glory even unto the end of the world. Let not our hearts be poor in the comfort and peace of His indwelling life. For he is
No fable old nor mythic lore,
No dream of bards and serfs,
No dead fact stranded on the shores,
Of the oblivious years.
But warm sweet, tender ever yet

A present help is He
And faith has still its Olivet
And love its Galilee.
The healing of His Seamless robe
Is by our beds of pain.
We touch Him in life's throng and press
And we are whole again.

BISHOP WILLIAMS

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There is no time in the Christian Year in which the faithful need to be so jealously on their guard against sin as now. There is great danger of a re-action from the strain of a self-denying, dutiful and devout Lent. There is danger of forgetting amidst the Easter jubilation, the bitter waters and the barren sand of the desert before the soul. There is danger even of being tempted to make the duty done and service rendered in supposed abundance, compensate for new neglect and renewed worldliness. The petition in the Litany is not only, "In all time of our tribulation—Good Lord, deliver us," but it is also, and as if in an ascending scale of importance: "In all time of our prosperity." And this applies to a supposed spiritual prosperity, no less than to that which is temporal.

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WHAT IS THE MATTER?

The following is from the pen of the Rt. Rev. Irving P. Johnson, D. D., Bishop Co-Adjutor of Colorado. There are people outside of Colorado to whom these words apply:

The difficulty nowadays is the fact that everybody wants to profit by the glorious

history of the Christian Church, but few want to assume the definite responsibilities attached to the membership therein.

Of course the Christian religion has suffered from those who have used their Christianity as a cloak for their own meanness. So has every other institution similarly suffered.

Religious people are prone to certain sins. Naturally a man who refuses to sing will never be known as a poor singer. The man who never attempts anything doesn't make any mistakes.

That is a mighty poor reason, however, for not attempting anything. Better a poor soldier than a slacker; yet the slacker will tell you how poor the poor soldier is.

So, if one can be a soldier without being a soldier; that is, if he can get a job in which he may wear the uniform without ever hearing a gun, he is well within his rights. He escapes all danger of being called a coward. And yet the coward has made his attempt to be a soldier.

I fancy there are no non-combatants in Christ's army. Yet the man who passes as a Christian citizen, and yet never took the oath of enlistment in Christ's army, is in a position in which he fancies he gets all the benefits of Christ's life without assuming any risk of being called a hypocrite.

He is like the man who joins the National Guard in times of peace, and withdraws from service in times of war. To be a Christian, one must be willing to bear the odium of being a Christian; for the enemy makes a man uncomfortable at times with ridicule and contempt.

Better attempt to live the life of Christ and fail, than to boast of your willingness to accept Him as your Master. A Christian is at least one who has definitely enlisted in the service of Christ and serves, even though imperfectly under His banner.

And such enlistment should be on the basis which Christ established; that a man shall be baptized, thus assuming the full responsibility of such service with all of its odium as well as all of its privileges. He should also later be confirmed.

To hold off from enlistment because some soldiers are deserters and traitors is as treacherous as it would be to refuse service under the Stars and Stripes because some American soldiers are unworthy of their cause. Christianity has had its Judases and

the U. S. A. its Benedict Arnold's; but neither the one nor the other is typical.

It is sometimes asked why so many men fail to attend church and do their duty as Christians. And in the majority of cases the blame is laid upon the Church. That is not where the blame belongs. The Church on earth is what by the Grace of God men make it and the man who holds off from the service of Christ because his brother is weak is not himself strong, but weaker than his weak brother.

Men evade the service of Christ because they do not want to assume the spiritual responsibility and duty which such service demands. They do not want to make the spiritual exertion which such responsibility places upon them, so they say they are as good Christians themselves, when they are not Christians at all. Neither will Christ so regard them."



"LEST WE FORGET"

Our country is passing through, at present, one of the greatest crises of its history. It is a time when the worst passions of men—anger, hatred, malice, envy, evil speaking, lying, slandering—are bursting forth in all their venomous forms and are being used by unprincipled, evil-minded politicians and charlatans, for their own selfish, nefarious ends. This is the day of America's shame before the world and at the bar of history. This evil spirit, to a more or less extent always precedes our national elections, but at this crisis in our national life, the Devil seems more active than usual and "as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."

Every Churchman who indulges in this spirit or encourages it, every Christian who helps develop a spirit of hard partisanship, who assumes evil motives without the most convincing evidence, who does not seek peace among the evil condition of these times nor ensue it, who does not by thought and word and act, endeavor in every possible way, to thwart the evil designs of evil-minded men, is a menace to society, an enemy to his country, at a time when the country is calling for true men, true women, true patriots, is a Judas, a betrayer of the Son Righteousness and Truth and is helping to crucify again our Lord upon the Cross.

These are days, between now and November next, at which time the citizens of this country will choose their rulers, these are days when Christian men and women, when the whole Church should earnestly pray that the Holy Spirit may rule in the hearts of men and guide our people in the ways of righteousness and truth and peace! In these portentous days, let every Christian heart be filled with God's Holy Spirit and earnestly pray to the Ruler of Nations that He may give to the American people, grace seriously to lay to heart the great danger we are in by our unhappy divisions; that He may take away all hatred and prejudices and whatsoever He may hinder us from Godly union and concord; that He may be pleased to direct and prosper all our thoughts, our discussions, our efforts to the advancement of His glory, the good of His cause; the safety, honor and welfare of His people; that all things may be so ordered and settled by our endeavors, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among us for all generations.



Surely it was with Divine prescience that Washington understood the great danger our country would be called upon to meet. His words apply to us and to our time, with singular and telling force. This is his warning. Let us read his words and lay them deeply to heart. Let us read, work, learn and inwardly digest them.

"Let us," says Washington in his farewell address, "Let us take a more comprehensive view and warn you in the most solemn manner against the baneful effects of the Spirit of Party, generally.

"This Spirit, unfortunately, is inseparable from our nature, having its root in the strongest passions of the human mind * * * It exists under different shapes in all Governments, more or less stifled, controlled or repressed; but, in those of the popular form, it is seen in its greatest rankness and is truly their worst enemy. * * *

"The alternate domination of one faction over another, sharpened by the spirit of revenge, natural to party dissension, which in different ages and countries has perpetrated the most horrid enormities, is itself a frightful despotism. * * * But this leads at length to a more formal and permanent despotism.

* * * The disorders and miseries, which result, gradually incline the minds of men to seek security and repose in the absolute power of an individual; and sooner or later the chief of some prevailing faction, more able or more fortunate than his competitors, turns this disposition to the purposes of his own elevation, on the ruins of Public Liberty.

"Without looking forward to an extremity of this kind (which nevertheless, ought not to be entirely out of sight,) the common and continual mischiefs of the Spirit of Party are sufficient to make it the interest and duty of a wise people to discourage and restrain it. * * *

"It serves always to distract the Public Councils, and enfeeble the Public Administration. It agitates the community with ill-founded jealousies and false alarms, kindles the animosity of one part against another, forms occasional riot and insurrection. * * * It opens the door to foreign influence and corruption, which find a facilitated access to the Government itself through the channels of party passions. Thus the policy and the will of one country are subjected to the policy and will of another.

"There is an opinion, that parties in free countries are useful checks upon the Administration of the Government, and serve to keep alive the Spirit of Liberty. * * * This, within certain limits is probably true, * * * and in Governments of a monarchical cast, Patriotism may look with indulgence, if not with favor, upon the Spirit of the Party. * * * But in those of the popular character, in Governments purely elective, it is a spirit not to be encouraged. * * * From their natural tendency, it is certain there will always be enough of that spirit for every salutary purpose, * * * and there being constant danger of excess, the effort ought to be, by force of public opinion, to mitigate and assuage it. * * * A fire not to be quenched it demands a uniform vigilance to prevent its bursting into a flame, lest, instead of warning, it should consume."



RELIGION AND THEOLOGY

Many persons confuse theology with religion. They are by no means the same. Each has its part to play in Christianity, but the roles are not identical. When religion tells us to love God, for instance, theology comes in and helps us to the conclusion that

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroffe, (1901) Rector's Warden
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Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D., (1893)
Francis B. Falkner Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1904)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lening (1919)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

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Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

God is worthy of our love. Theology, with necessary limitations, shows to us the nature of God. That is, theology tells us in terms understandable to man, necessarily going not beyond the comprehension of the finite, what man has conceived God to be from the time man has had any conception of God. And "The Spirit shall lead you into all truth." of course theology is not a fix or exact science.

Theology defines; religion refines. Theology teaches; religion works. Theology is a matter of science; religion is a matter of conscience. Theology contemplates; religion loves. Theology thinks; religion acts. Theology is a matter of the mind; religion is a matter of the heart. Theology is a theoretical hypothesis; religion is a working principle. Theology erects seminaries for the study of God; religion builds churches for the worship of God. Theology is for a few; religion is for everybody. Theology differentiates; religion unifies.

It will be seen, then, that religion has its field and work and theology its realm. Both are important. Let no man despise theology. Religion is doubtless the better servant of mankind, still theology is necessary. But for theology, religion would be but a blind leader of men! Theology necessarily changes with man's conception and appreciation of God. It must progress. But it must not progress through mere philosophy or mental operation. It must not be too dogmatic in its new conclusions. Experience, spiritual perception, even religious conviction, should act as a governor to theology, else we flounder in the deep waters of mental confusion and aberration! We must not depend too much on our mental conclusions, upon cold logic, or upon bald reason. "The heart has reasons which the reason can not know!" Theology should be the hand-maiden of religion; its servant, not its master; its co-partner, not its arbitrary leader or dictator. To know God is good theology. To love God is good religion. And to know God aright is to love him!

CHURCH KALENDAR FOR APRIL

April 4. Easter Day.
April 11. First Sunday after Easter
April 18. Second Sunday after Easter
April 25. Third Sunday after Easter (St. Mark.)

ANNUAL ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

At the annual election of Vestrymen of Christ Church, held Easter Monday, April 5th, the following were elected for a term of three years: Colonel Sheldon Potter, Dr. William W. Johnson, William R. Pugh, James M. Woodroffe, Francis B. Falkner, Henry R. Baremore was elected to fill the unexpired term of Jonas Hertling, resigned.

At the first meeting of the Vestry, held on Easter Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected: J. L. Morrison, accounting warden; Francis B. Falkner, secretary; the Rector re-appointed James M. Woodroffe, Rector's warden. Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe and Richard H. Morris were elected delegates to the Diocesan Convention.

The judges of the election were Charles H. Jackson, Charles W. Sutcliffe, Jr., and Samuel J. Gerhardt.

A LETTER FROM THE ACCOUNTING WARDEN

To the Congregation of Christ Church:

The Vestry is not in position, as the Chimes goes to press, to state the final amount of the Easter offering, but they can say that more than the sum asked for will be realized and this has been accomplished by the very generous response from the loyal members of the parish, some of whom have given amounts which have meant real sacrifice. A final report in full will be given in the next issue of the Chimes.

J. L. MORRISON,
Accounting Warden.

REPAIRS MADE TO PARISH BUILDING

Within the past month an entire new slate roof has been put on the Rectory, at a cost of over one thousand dollars. The exterior woodwork of the Church has recently been repaired and painted at an expense of over six hundred dollars. Over seventeen hundred dollars have been expended on the Parish Building within the past eight months, all of which has been paid in full.

Attention of the members of the congregation is now called to the need of repainting and decorating the interior of the Church. Everyone will agree that this is greatly needed!

About \$2000.00 will be required for this purpose. Shall it be undertaken this summer? If so, the money should be forthcoming at once. Who will volunteer? The Rector will be glad to hear from anyone on this subject.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

On Maundy Thursday evening the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D.D., visited this Parish and confirmed a class of twenty-three persons, ten females and thirteen males. After Confirmation the Bishop conducted a Preparatory service for the Easter Communion, to which most of the large congregation present remained. These "Preparatory Services," which the Bishop is so kind to give on his visitation to this Parish, are greatly appreciated by all our people. There are few men in the American Church as well qualified to conduct such a deeply spiritual service, as is our own Bishop Rhinelander and the members of Christ Church esteem it a rare privilege to be present at these annual visitations.

The names of the persons confirmed are as follows:

Harry Boorman Alloway
Robert Norton Downs Arndt
Marian Margarette Bolay
Philip Frederick Bolay
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Mary Elizabeth Dapp
Hilda Gray Ellis
Harry Hershey Erisman
Sarah Goldie Erisman
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Frederick Hocker
Margaret Hocker
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Henry Stokes Kemerly
Rosa Ellen Lamb
William Henry Maxwell, 3rd.
Francis Amelia Newbaker
Evalyn Nicholson Parker
Henry Warner Parker
Elizabeth Longstreth Plucker
Florence Elizabeth Rudolph
Earl M. Sibson

BAPTISM

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Mar. 28. Margaret Hocker
28. Richard Mantle Fielding
Mar. 29. Nelson West Wunder, Jr.
Apr. 3. Elizabeth Bolton Baxter
3. Emma Linn
3. Herbert Steven Hickey
3. William Henry Jordan
3. Marjorie Eileen Mooney
3. Richard Tiers Taylor
3. Robert Cummings Taylor

BURIALS

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Mar. 6. Bessie Thorton Dowling
9. Mary Emma Steinmetz
21. Annie E. Shermer
28. Josephine Groff Ewing
29. Jessie Irene Miller Dougherty
31. Nelson West Wunder, Jr.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

At our last meeting we had the great privilege of hearing Mr. Sibley, a missionary who has spent eight years among the Igorrot natives of Manila. It was most interesting to hear of these primitive people and to learn what the Church is doing to help them.

The Wednesday Afternoon Sewing class, held during Lent, has been discontinued, but there is still work to be done for the box, to be sent to the City Mission and we hope for a large attendance at the regular monthly meeting. Don't forget the third Wednesday of the month. Sewing in the morning and missionary meeting in the afternoon. All women in the Parish are asked to come and help.
A.L.W.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SERVICE

Attention of members of the Congregation is called to the service of Evening Prayer in the Church every Friday afternoon, at five o'clock.

This is a quiet, helpful service and should be attended by more of our people. Will not the members of our parish bear this service in mind and be more regular in their attendance? Every Friday afternoon at five o'clock.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our attendance during Lent was not as large as usual on account of the bad weather each Sunday brought forth, and when on Easter morning we saw clouds and rain, instead of sunshine, we surely felt disheartened, as we had all worked faithfully for our Easter Carol Service. But when we gathered in the Parish House at 7:15 that evening we were all surprised to find how many of us, even the "littlest" ones, had made up our minds to come, no matter how hard it was raining, and we marched into the Church, a larger army than last year, and then our spirits rose some more as we found there as many of our parents and friends as last year, if not more.

The service was inspiring, everybody sang the carols with all their might and did credit to Mr. Vernon, who kindly drilled us during Lent, and we give him our thanks. Mr. Gurley's address and his flowerpots and seeds, we will remember a long time and we do not want to forget that he told us that we always were to be the "good ground" in which Christ's seeds were to grow.

The Superintendent then gave a remembrance to the five scholars with longest record of attendance without missing a Sunday. They were:

Mrs. Elizabeth Baisbrown 5 years, 14 weeks
Gladys Lapworth 3 years, 27 weeks
Margaret Robinson 2 years, 40 weeks
Charles Buchenhorst 2 years, 32 weeks
Beatrice Spooner 1 year, 19 weeks

A remembrance was also given to the following for faithful attendance at Church service from Christmas to Easter, without missing: Helen McHenry, Hilda Spooner, Elizabeth Haas, William Blank, Margaret Courtney, Verna Rayner, Beatrice Spooner, May Matthews and Mrs. Schaefer's entire class, Helen Cowell, Virginia Raymond, Alice Robertson and Barney Robinson.

Nineteen of the Primary Department were given diplomas showing promotion to the Main School. They were Mary Atherton, Gertrude Allen, Margaret Brush, Florence Eggleston, Lillian Glazier, Doris Hance, Howard Logan, Dorothy Waldman, Frank Stryke, Edward Wilcox, William Osborne, Charles Smith, Conrad Lauer and also the following who were given a prayer book and Hymnal for almost perfect attendance for the year: Margaret Boyer, Marjorie Hagauer,

Josephine Wright, Robert Allen, Alfred Rittenhouse and Carl Windmiller.

Our Lenten note box offering for Missions last year was \$203.52 and as this article is being written we have already for this year over \$220, with many who were away last Sunday to hear from, so it looks as if we would reach the \$250 mark we set for ourselves.

One word more! Nearly every Sunday School in the city has had the "Envelope System" in use for weekly offerings, and not to be behind every other school, we are going to introduce it next Sunday in order to encourage the habit of systematic GIVING to the Lord's work and this is a seed that it is hoped will fall on "good ground." And Fathers and Mothers, will you not help by seeing that envelopes are not forgotten Sunday mornings.
R.H.M.

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

Will all persons in the Parish who have not as yet subscribed through the envelope system, please take a pledge card which will be found in the racks in the vestibule of the Church and subscribe the amount they are willing to give weekly to the support of the work of the Church! A large majority of the attendants at the services are already registered on the books of this Parish, as regular subscribers. It is desired that every one shall be included in this list. Let this honor roll consist of 100 per cent. of the membership. All supporters, no slackers!

THE MOTHER'S MEETING

The Mother's Meeting held its sessions as usual, with a large attendance in spite of the inclement weather. During Lent we have made garments which will be given to missionary objects. We regret that the time for closing the meeting is near, but we are anticipating one more "party" before we separate for the summer.
H.F.A.

"THE RELIGIOUS TRAMP" PROBLEM

The following article is taken from the "Literary Digest," a secular paper:

The pest of religious society, agree *The American* (New York) and *The Christian Century* (Chicago) is the "church tramp." This class of undesirables and the sensa-

tionalists who have helped to create it are thus described and denounced by **The Christian Century**:

"The religious tramp is a phenomenon of a serious nature for the churches. He is not a foe to religion. He is, indeed, a believer in a way, although he asserts with a pseudo-liberality that 'one church is as good as another.' He travels around to the 'special services' which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and they are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. He does not want to give regularly, though he drops a chance nickel into the plate. His attitude is one of unconcern with regard to the welfare of the churches. He gets his amusement and his sociability from the churches at the minimum of expense. He asks for no more. Just now in many communities the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church-builder.

"Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life-and-death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church."



THE BIBLE CLASS AND THE BOY

"Not an accessory, but a necessity." This is the slogan of a certain business house which is using every effort to make it a reality. When we who call ourselves Christians can say this about the thing which we call religion, then it is that the social-educational political and labor questions that are causing so much unrest today will be done

away. To "bear the name of Christians" is a simple matter. To live up to our "slogan" and make good in the market of the world is quite another proposition. It is there that most of us fall down when we come face to face with the stern realities of life.

The most important problem before the Church today is that of the boy. When he arrives at that period in life where he feels too big for the Sunday School and yet the future is vague and distant what is to be done with him? What preparation has been or is being made to tide him over this uncertainty? The boy cannot, as a rule, jump from the Sunday school into active church work, because the gap is too great. Those parents who regularly attend the services and bring their children with them may possibly bridge this space to a certain degree, but unfortunately those persons are in the minority.

Practically the only method to bring the boy in this state of adolescence safely through the journey as regards the church is by the Men's Bible class. When he graduates from the simpler lessons of the school and feels in himself that desire to associate with older men, then it is that the Bible Class should be there to satisfy this craving while he is struggling to break away from things past and looking with uncertainty toward those of the future.

When we stop and consider the number of boys who formerly attended Sunday School and note, here and there, only a few who remained, it is time to wake up and ask "where are they?" The only answer we can make is that given so long ago but ever real today—"while I was busy, here and there, lo, he was gone" or in more familiar terms they have 'folded their tents like the Arab and stolen away in the night.' We simply did not realize the importance of the trust given us to carry out.

Christ Church has a Men's Bible Class, under the capable leadership of the Rev. Richard H. Gurley. Unfortunately it has been looked upon by many of the men of our Parish as an "accessory" instead of a "necessity" and therefore has not been able to reach the highest degree of success. It is hoped that this mistaken idea may be eliminated and that every man interested in Christ Church will feel that he has a personal responsibility in its welfare—not for the sake of the Class but for the boys who need your

help and for the men, outside the Church, whom we are able to reach but not hold, because they feel that the men do not have any interest in them.

One way in which every man can assist, including those who for good reasons are not able to attend the Sunday morning class, is by coming to the class social on the 3rd Thursday evening of each month. Here is the opportunity for all—Clergy, Vestry and others—to meet and become personally acquainted with one another; welcome the strangers; let the boys know that you are thinking about them and also encourage those who have been toiling for years to find some point of contact between the man and the Church, and so often without success. One evening a month is very little to give but what the results may be cannot be calculated. Will you do "your bit" toward making the Men's Bible Class of Christ Church "Not an accessory, but a Necessity?"



THE JUNIOR BROTHERHOOD

The annual election of the chapter resulted in R. Cormint being elected vice-director; C. Courtney, secretary; F. Falkner treasurer. The Rector re-appointed Mr. Frederick Lennig, director. The meeting had the best attendance for a long time. The ushering by the fellows will be started again on Sunday the 18th.

A "social" will be given by the chapter to raise funds to send delegates to the Convention next fall to be held in St. Louis. It is desired that everyone interested will kindly give this project its fullest support. The date, however, has not been decided on or the place. Therefore, keep your eyes and ears open for the announcement and everyone try his or her best to support and encourage its success. R.C.



GIRL SCOUTS

Plans are being laid for a very active summer, with hikes, trips to the country, etc. If you are over ten years of age, think about it, ask about it, and come and join us. By studying hard you will be able to accomplish all the work required to pass the Tenderfoot test by the time summer is really here and you will be a real Girl Scout in a uniform.

To be sure the pleasure part of it is attractive, but this is not all that membership in the Scouts means. We work hard to help others and to do our duty to God and our country. This is plenty to keep you busy. Then besides we learn how to sew, how to give first aid to the injured, how to be good hostesses, how to cook and take care of invalids. The time is coming when women will be given the vote and our aim is to make the girls better women, with a desire to help their country.

Come and join. Friday evenings at 7:45 in the Parish House.



ALTAR GUILD

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The Altar Guild has had many duties during the past month and especially in Holy Week. We were all at Church on March 27, decorating and stripping palms and the day before Easter we took our lunch and spent the day arranging the memorial flowers on the altars; cleaning and polishing the brasses.

Mrs. Charles Cotton has given a very beautiful new white Pulpit fall, which was used for the first time on Easter Day.

The Serving Committees for the coming month will be as follows:

April 23-30: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson. May 1-7: Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien. May 7-14: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Gerhardt, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge. May 14-21: Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder. G.F.D.



THE CATHEDRAL LEAGUE

The following is inserted in the Chimes at the request of the Secretary of the Cathedral League of this diocese:

"The first annual meeting of the Cathedral League of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, was held in the Diocesan Church of St. Mary, Broad and South streets, Thursday, March 25th. The Feast of the Annunciation, at 4 o'clock. This seemed a proper time to draw the attention of the members of this Parish to the object of the League.

It has been felt for some time that the Church in our Diocese should have a center from which greater activities might radiate and it would be in a position thus to serve greater numbers of people than can be

reached through the separate parishes, for there is a very large floating population in our city, such as students, salesmen, etc., who do not identify themselves with any special parish. So the Cathedral idea took form and at present the Diocesan Church of St. Mary is doing the pioneer work which will later on be housed in a noble building more worthy of the great opportunities which lie at our door.

"A year ago Bishop Rhinelander in speaking of the Diocesan Church said: 'What I do stress is our present work. I think it is worth stressing, for it is, and will be more, and more genuine Cathedral work. The soul is far more precious than the body. The work is more important than the building. Our chief present care is to nourish the soul of the Cathedral into such a vigorous and useful life that it may be found worthy in due time for glorious embodiment.'"

The League was formed by some women nearly a year ago to get members who would contribute \$5.00 yearly, which, small sum as it is individually, can grow to large amounts for the permanent endowment of the Cathedral activities now and in the future.

At this meeting held on March 25th, what the League has accomplished in the various convocations was reported and all members of this parish, men as well as women, whether already members of the League or not, are urged to identify themselves with the League."

Easter Day is a day of joy and praise. Easter Day brings to us a sense of satisfied longings. Have we solid ground for hope? Is death the end? Can we be made what we ought to be? Is there living power in Prayer, in Sacraments, in the Church? Shall we live again? Shall we meet again with those we love after the sad partings of the grave? Has love been a mere torture? A wild, wasting, baseless delusion? The answer comes: "Christ loves us." "He is the same yesterday, today and forever." Jesus Christ is risen from the dead."—Knox Little.



It seems to me a most evident fact that wherever faith in the resurrection of Christ has disappeared, the idealistic arguments for immortality have begun at once to lose their convincing power. The nerve of their life has been cut.—W. Douglas MacKenzie.



Never lose an opportunity of seeing anything beautiful . . . Welcome it in every face, every fair sky, every fair flower, and thank Him for it who is the fountain of loveliness; and drink it simply and earnestly with all your eyes. It is a charmed draught, a cup of blessing.—Charles Kingsley.



This world in which we live is a sifting world, a testing, trying, proving world—tempting that it may educate, select and better the growth of the spiritual man. Those who stand the moral test survive—those who fail, suffer destruction.

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THE ASCENSION

The great festival of the Church year fall this year in May, the Feast of the Ascension May 13th, and ten days later, the Feast of Whit-sunday. The feast of Trinity falls on the first Sunday in June.

On the fortieth day after Easter, the Feast of the Resurrection, occurs the Feast of the Ascension. Our Lord meets His chosen and leads them out beyond Bethany to the Mount of Olivet. For the last time the Master and His disciples walk along those familiar paths. He gives them final instructions concerning the things which pertain to the kingdom of God.

When He assembles them upon the mount, and overflowing with love for those whom He had chosen out of the world and for all who should believe on Him through them. He raised those precious hands in Divine blessing. Then the Son of Man and the Son of God rises by His own power up into the vault of heaven. Awe-struck, dumb with amazement, even the impulsive Peter finds no words to say. With outstretched hands in benediction upon the world that had rejected Him, a cloud receives Him out of their sight; and still they gaze entranced in heart felt worship and lofty contemplation. Then angels sent back by the Triumphant King, announce to them that He who had promised to be with them to the end of the world and had bade them wait at Jerusalem for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, would Himself come again in like manner, that it with clouds and the angelic hosts,

And then the disciples, no longer doubting, but full of joy, knowing Christ no more after the flesh, but after the Spirit, returned to Jerusalem with the gentle and holy Mary to wait for the coming of the Paraclete.

Shall those who profess and call themselves Christians, on such a day, the day of our Lord's exaltation, fail to render Him His due worship? When angels, fall down and worship Him, shall we be unmindful of our holy obligation and privilege to adore Him, on this great festival, which the Church appoints in commemoration of His return to His throne of Glory?



WHITSUN DAY

Ten days after the feast of the Ascension comes Whitsun-day.

In this feast of the Holy Spirit, which is the birthday of the church, the culmination of our Lord's Incarnation is attained. He ascended that the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity might come and abide in His Church, uniting its members one with another, and all to the Great Head that we might be led into all knowledge, truth and holiness forever. For ten days after the Ascension the little company of believers, with the Holy Mother, waited in that upper room, inobedience to their Lord's command, spending the hours in prayer and supplication for the Promised Comforter. "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting." And then the cloven tongues, the supernatural utterances vouch-

saled to all the amazement of the holders. St. Peter's sermon, the conviction of the hearers, the Baptism of the three thousand all followed in quick succession. "The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice."

The Apostles are "endued with power from on high." What a contrast the betrayal the cowardly denial and the forsaking of our Lord present when placed side by side with the intrepid conduct of the newly inspired Apostles! From that time they went forth, endued with supernatural power, to convert the world and through them we have been brought from darkness and error into the true light.

Loving, persuasive and tender is the ministry of the Spirit.

"His that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breath of heaven,
That checks each thought, that calms each fear,
And speaks of Heaven."

Sunday next after Whitsunday occurs the feast of the Holy Trinity.

HOLY TRINITY

On Trinity Sunday culminates the doctrinal half of the Church Year. The remainder of the year from now to Advent, the Church lays chief emphasis on the practical side of life. "Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God," are the opening words of the Epistle for the First Sunday after Trinity.

Hitherto the emphasis from Advent on has been on the "fundamentals of the faith,"—the Incarnation, the Resurrection, the Ascension, the coming of the Holy Spirit. On Trinity Sunday the Church's services mount up to the throne of the Godhead. In the word "Trinity" she simply sums up what is revealed concerning God—that in substance He is one, but in Person, three.

The reception of truth must be gradual. The Church leads us step by step from Advent to Trinity Sunday. In Advent is heralded the coming of the Son of God and we are taught to prepare for Him, "to make His ways straight;" at Christmas the heavenly host proclaims from the starry firmament the "good tidings of great joy;" on Epiphany the wise men came from afar, and the Christ is manifested to the Gentiles; through Lent

we enter into our Saviour's Temptation; in Gethsemane we witness the Agony; on Good Friday we follow our Saviour to the Cross and see the Son of God suffer and die for us; on the glorious Feast of Easter we see Him rise triumphant from the grave; then for forty days after the Resurrection we follow Him as He teaches His disciples "things pertaining to the Kingdom of God;" then on Holy Thursday we are with the Apostles and behold His glorious Ascension into Heaven, there to sit on the right hand of the Father; while on Whitsunday we are taught that the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth, has come to guide us into all Truth and to dwell in the Church and in our hearts forever!

Thus does the Church prepare us, step by step, for the glorious culmination of her teaching, enabling us to grasp by faith the mystery of the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity.

COMFORT FROM THE CHIMES

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter written by a gentleman not far from the Church. The letter is so appreciative that the Rector is constrained to make it public by the permission of the writer:

Germantown, April 23.

My dear Mr. Arndt:

Though am I not a member of Christ Church Parish, being connected with another body of Christians, it is a joy to know that we are all members of Christ's Parish and that through Him we can be drawn together. I desire to express to you the great comfort and pleasure I received in listening to the Chimes as they have been played during the last weeks. Being confined to the house for over a month, the larger portion of which I was in bed, I eagerly awaited Sunday morning and evening, especially on Easter when they told that "Christ the Lord is risen today, and again one calm beautiful evening when they sounded the notes of a hymn, the words I have known being "Softly now the light of day." It is set to a tune called "Seymour," taken from a composition by "Weber"—and also the same evening "Abide with me," that hymn of so much comfort.

Possibly it will never be known what comfort the Chimes have been and how many beds of pain have been eased through their speaking a message from God.

May Christ Church continue to be the power it has been these years for the building of the Kingdom of our Blessed Lord and Master, Jesus Christ and may the Chimes continue to ring the glad news of the Saviour's Birth, Life and glorious Resurrection.

Sincerely yours,

NOTICE TO ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

It would be a great favor to the Warden and a great benefit to the church if the subscribers through the envelope system, who intend to be away during the summer, will kindly pay in advance before they leave Germantown, the amount of their subscription for the Sundays they expect to be absent. The expenses of the parish have to be met regularly and promptly during the summer months as well as during the winter, and when parishioners leave their weekly subscriptions unpaid for a length of time the Warden who depends upon these payments to meet the expenses of the parish, is compelled to borrow money from bank and pay interest thereon. Through the thoughtful consideration of many of the envelope subscribers, who paid in advance, the Warden has been saved this embarrassment and expense, and it is earnestly hoped that all who subscribe through the envelopes will do the same this summer.

A SERVICE OF SILENCE

The Rector wishes to call attention to a unique and impressive service which will be held in Christ Church on Whitsunday evening, May 23rd. It will be a Service of Silence a Service to the Holy Spirit. The Service will open with hymns to the Holy Spirit, followed by a period of silence and meditation on certain portions of Scripture, with silent prayer.

There will be no sermon or announcements, the congregation following a program which will be distributed to those present.

The Rector believes that this service of silence, especially appropriate for Whitsunday, the feast of the Holy Spirit, will be impressive and helpful to all who attend.

The service will begin promptly at 7:45 and will last one hour. An invitation is extended to all to attend this service of silence.

THERAPEUTIC VALUE OF PRAYER.

Several years ago Professor William James, the celebrated psychologist of Harvard, declared, in one of his books, that the man who prays for help to do his daily work will so compose his own mind thereby and free his thoughts from care and worry that he will actually do his work better; irrespective of any supernatural aid that may be sent in answer to his petition. The Rector quotes this statement to show how scientists, irrespective of any religious conviction, admit the great power for good there is in prayer. If this must be admitted on purely scientific grounds, how much stronger and more convincing is the Christian's belief in prayer, who bases his faith on the authority and the examination of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Now another celebrated scientist, Dr. Theodore B. Hyslop, superintendent of Bethlem Royal Hospital in London, comes forward with the declaration that prayer is the best remedy for mental distress of all sorts.

He said at the recent annual meeting of the British Medical Association:

"As an alienist and one whose whole life has been concerned with the sufferings of the mind, I would state that of all hygienic measures to counteract disturbed sleep, depressed spirits, and all the miserable sequels of a distressed mind, I would undoubtedly give the first place to the simple habit of prayer—Let there but be a habit of nightly communion, not as a mendicant or repeater of words more adapted to the tongue of a sage, but as a humble individual who submerges or asserts his individuality as an integral part of a greater whole. Such a habit does more to clean the spirit and strengthen the soul to overcome mere incidental emotionalism than any other therapeutic agent ever known to me."

Dr. Hyslop's competence to speak in the name of science is unquestionable, and what he affirms as a discovery of medical science is identical with the immemorial faith of religions, that there is a place for prayer in the very nature of things. Not only does he find this place to be foremost among restorative agents; he also affirms that it "embodies the most healthy and preservative development of our social forces."

Among the many notable utterances in which science is now evincing herself to be the handmaid of religion, these, the most recent, are as memorable as any.

Parish Notes

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Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.

Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.

Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

EARLY COMMUNION.

A letter from one of the Laity to Another.

Since you told me that you have never been present at an early celebration of the Holy Communion, the thought has been ever present of you and certain other dear friends whom I do not meet there.

If it were possible to set before your eyes the picture that arises before mine!—the quiet of the early preparations in a house not yet astir—the issuing into the streets, silent, except for other worshippers moving to and fro; the rare beauty of the new day, fresh from the hand of God, undefiled as yet and unspoiled by the deeds of men;—a wonderful revelation in this world of serenity and peace,—a revelation new every morning of this early pilgrimage to the house of God.

And the arrival,—the same, or rather a yet holier, calm brooding over all things; no presence save that of those who are like-minded; no intrusion of curiosity or frivolity; no pang of regret at the departure of those who turn their backs on the altar and the command "This do,"—nothing to come between the disciple and the Master. About you are those who are weary and heavy laden,—those who have climbed up hither out of a life so immersed in worldly cares or concerns that only this constant return to the mount of vision can keep in sight that which is invisible: the man of business and affairs,—the over-taxed professional worker; the woman whose daily cares and anxieties would dry up the springs of her life but for the never-failing fountain which fills and refreshes her soul.

Here, too, are those who are under the shadow of bereavement. In the first anguish of parting they have come to meet at the altar that dear soul who is nearer to-day than ever in the flesh.

Here, too, are those whose hearts overflow with joy at the great deliverance that has been granted them, or the new happiness that crowns their lives; their feet have been turned hither to join in the sacrifice of thanksgiving that can best express their gladness.

Those also are about you whose pathway is tangled, perplexed and dark; what lies before them, what course to choose, they cannot tell; they have come to inquire of the Lord,—where else should they seek light and guidance but here?

Here are those who are struggling in the net of a habit that has bound them so fast that by themselves they cannot get forth, and who seek the touch of the Divine Hand to break their bonds asunder; those who are fainting in the glow of a fierce temptation, and know that out of that furnace their souls can never come alive unless the Son of God walk with them in the midst of the fire.

And here also are those whose hearts bear the burdens of others,—the need, the sorrow or the sin of some dear one—the unbelief of some noble soul whose strength is coveted for the Masters' service,—the darkness and wretchedness and guilt of a city, a nation, a world redeemed, but not yet made perfect in holiness.

Such is the group that kneel in their sacred quiet to confess their unworthiness, emptiness, helplessness and need. To them the word of absolution and peace is spoken; for them the feast is spread and the sacrifice set forth in the Holy mysteries.

Here they find all that they seek in the Sacrament that assures them of their oneness with the Lord; here is strength for the weak, comfort for the sorrowful, light for the perplexed, shelter and peace for the storm tossed.

To those who go hence, thus refreshed and strengthened by the Body and Blood of their Divine Lord, how strange would seem the uncompromising cry: "Oh, I do not feel good enough to make those frequent communings—I shouldn't dare to go,—one cannot expect to live on this high plane."

As well might one say, "I am weak and run down, I should not take food frequently." Such an utterance is that of a soul too near spiritual starvation to have left in it any wholesome longing for the Bread of life or the Cup of Salvation.

Let it rather draw near, eat and live and gather strength and grace for every need.

"Oh taste and see that the Lord is good." So shall renewed divine for the blessed comfort of those gracious Mysteries be ours.

C. P. D.



A LETTER FROM MR. GURLEY.

257 Harvey Street,
Germantown, Phila.

Dear Mr. Arndt:—

Owing to circumstances which will require my absence from Germantown for the greater part of the coming summer, I hereby request

the termination of my contract with Christ Church as of June 1st, 1920.

I take this occasion to express to you and thru you to the Vestry and Congregation my very deep appreciation of the interest and friendship proven towards me by you all throughout the time and privilege of my service there. Wherever the Will of God shall direct my efforts in the future, these will be encouraged and strengthened by the memory of the associations and friendships of Christ Church.

With sincerest personal regard and best wishes, believe me,

Faithfully your friend,
Richard H. Gurley.

April 11th, 1920.



The Rev. Mr. Gurley will be ordained (D. V.) to the Priesthood on the third Sunday in September. It is expected that Mr. Stanley V. Wilcox, another member of our Parish will be ordained to the Diaconate on the same day. It is probable that the ordination Service will be held in Christ Church. Mr. Wilcox will continue his studies at the Philadelphia Divinity School and will be ordained to the Priesthood one year hence. Mr. Gudley expects to go to Japan soon after his ordination and devote his ministry in that important missionary field. Christ Church, their mother Parish, feels justly proud of these two young men!



CALENDAR FOR JUNE.

June 6th. First Sunday after Trinity.
11th. St. Barnabas.
13th. Second Sunday after Trinity.
20th. Third Sunday after Trinity.
24th. Nativity St. John Baptist.
27th. Fourth Sunday after Trinity.
29th. St. Peter.



THE RECTOR'S PARISH COMMITTEE.

At the call of the Rector, a meeting was held on May 10th, of representatives from each society of the parish. The following societies were represented:

ALTAR GUILD: The Misses B. L. Chase Emma Morgridge, Emma Crowder, Elma Strien and Mrs. R. P. Morgridge.

SR. BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW: Mr. Chas. H. Jackson.

JR. BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW: Messrs. Frederick Lennig, Robert Carmint, Jr., and George Bland.

CHOIR: The Misses Beatrice Spooner and Frances W. O'Brien.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Miss Gertrude B. Feist and Mr. Edward Bains.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING: Mrs. Chas. Henry Arndt and Miss Caroline Parker.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY: Miss Georgeanna Dean, Mrs. Frederick Lennig and Mrs. Lillian J. Johnson.

MOTHERS' MEETING: Mrs. Baisbrown, Mrs. Reckard and Mrs. R. Rudolph.

VESTRY: Messrs. J. I. Morrison, Frederick Lennig and U. G. Rowley.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS: Dr. Courtney, Messrs. H. Thomas Spooner, A. W. Cupitt, J. Archer Vernon, Frederick Lennig and Charles H. Jackson.

WOMEN'S AUX. TO MEN'S BIBLE CLASS: The Misses Esther R. Alexander and Mary G. Cave.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY: Mrs. H. R. Baremore, Mrs. Frank Wells and Mrs. T. P. Robinson.

THE CLERGY: The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt and Rev. Richard H. Gurley.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY: Mrs. S. S. Gerhard. The total number present being thirty-six members.

The Girls' and Boys' Scouts were not represented owing to another meeting, but hope both will be at the next meeting.

The object of the meeting was to co-ordinate all societies of the Parish into a standing committee for SERVICE. This Committee is to be known as The Rector's Parish Committee.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. J. I. Morrison, Secretary, Miss Gertrude B. Feist and Treasurer, Mrs. Frederick Lennig.

Several objects were considered by the members present and it has been decided that a Carnival is to be held in June and a Rummage Sale next October.

The following Committee appointed: For the Carnival: Chairman, Mr. U. G. Rowley, Misses Edna Cave, Emily Dean, Beatrice Spooner, Grace Gerhard, Harriet Jacoby, Mrs. Frederick Lennig, and the Messrs. Chas. Jackson and Robert Carmint, Jr.

The Rummage Sale Committee: Dr. Courtney, Chairman; Misses Esther Alexander and Georgeanna Dean, Messrs. J. Archer Vernon and A. W. Cupitt.

The members of the congregation are asked to bear in mind the Rummage Sale during the spring cleaning, and to save all articles, especially wearing apparel;

The Rector's Parish Committee is anticipating a great deal of work in other lines in the fall.

G. B. F.



ATTENTION HOUSEWIVES! RUMMAGE SALE

At a meeting of a committee composed of the various societies of the church, held on Monday May 10, 1920. It was decided to hold a rummage sale in October, the purpose of which is to accumulate a fund which is to be used toward painting the interior of the Church.

The Committee especially requests the hearty cooperation of all the members of the parish to join in this worthy and needy cause and hunt up all the articles possible now for this sale wearing apparel of every and all kinds is especially needed. Send a postal with address on to Dr. J. C. Courtney, 6622 Germantown Ave. and goods will be called for. This should be attended to during this spring's house cleaning. Do it now!

Dr. J. C. Courtney,
Chairman



"COME ONE—COME ALL!"

What would you say if your home had not been painted for forty years? It would cause some comment from your neighbor anyway. Well that's what has happened to the interior of Christ Church. Every time you enter the door you see the walls and rafters with the same decorations that were there before many of us were born and it has caused complaint from our people and comment from our neighbors. Then, too, aside from the artistic viewpoint it has become a matter of necessity that the interior be repainted and the entire group of societies and the Sunday School have joined forces to see that it is done within one year.

Of course it will need money to accomplish the object but it is felt that every member of Christ Church will be only too glad to do

something to aid in raising the necessary amount and so the first means is presented in a lawn Carnival to be held about the middle of June.

Just what form the Carnival will take has not been definitely decided as yet but very likely will consist of booths on the lawn for dancing and the various other rooms in the Parish House given over to "side shows" and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable main etc. Refreshments will also be served and every one should find something of interest and have no reason to feel that they are giving something for nothing.

Admission to all forms of entertainment and refreshment stands will be by ticket and the charge will probably be only 10 cents for each. Owing to the high cost of living an opportunity will be given to save money by purchasing tickets in-advance when they may be secured at 6 for 50 cents. On the night (or nights) of the Carnival they will be sold at 10 cents straight so buy early.

Mr. U. G. Rowley is chairman of the Committee in charge and cakes candies fancy goods, novelties and other saleable articles are solicited. We also want you to attend the Carnival and help the Committee to realize that you have a personal interest in its success. If this is done by all our people a good start will be made toward attaining the object in view.

C. H. J.



THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

It does not always storm—and storms do not always come on Sundays—which means that with the fair weather of the past few Sundays our Sunday School has had a chance to see what it could really do toward filling the School room. The result has been very promising indeed, for each Sunday sees the room nearer to being fully occupied.

Those who come to the School know this, but do our Church members and friends know what the School is doing.

We are endeavoring to so interest the members of the School that there is evidence of a desire of more and more children to come and be a part of the School—and of those who have established their membership their interest is well illustrated in the effect of the recent introduction of the envelope system of contributions in the School. This

system, which every member of the Church thoroughly understands through personal experience, (or should have such experience) was adopted by consent of the members of the School and almost at the beginning the supply of envelopes was exhausted and an additional supply is being called for.

The children have taken hold quite heartily of the idea of personal responsibility and are showing real zeal in their efforts to be considered as much a regular contributor to the work of Christ's Kingdom as their elders.

These are just some of the evidences which justify our hopes in the growing power of the School, but there are other evidences and these we would want those who do not know the School to see.

To those who could be, but are not now members we say, come sit with us during session and see if we cannot make you care to come often. To those who cannot for good reasons, become members we say, help us with an occasional visit and see what we are doing.

The Summer season is now in the near future and with it will come thoughts and plans for the annual picnic and the Summer school. The plans are not all matured as yet, but from what little advance information has been let out on these matters we are predicting a summer season which will be to the liking of all the members.

We shall have room for more members. How can we get them! Won't you be willing to contribute one or more scholars by inviting, or better bringing some child who does not attend any Sunday School. This won't cost much and may be the means of giving the child a lasting pleasure.

U. G. R.



MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

While the usual time for election of officers is at the January meeting it was necessary to postpone the election for 1920 until the April business meeting and upon this first opportunity we take pleasure in presenting the new officers of the Class to the people of Christ Church, with the hope that their efforts will be appreciated and all assistance possible be rendered—President, J. Archer Vernon; 1st Vice President, James Carmint, Jr; 2nd Vice President, Warren Cupitt; Secretary, Herbert Feist; Treasurer, J. Lynwood

Heald. The President has approved the following chairman of various Committees: Relief, Frederick Lenning; Social, Charles J. Cotton; Publicity, Charles H. Jackson. Two chairman are yet to be appointed and will be announced later.

The retiring officers desire publicity to express their appreciation of the valuable assistance given them by the Ladies Auxiliary. On the third Thursday evening of each month the Class holds a social meeting to which all men of the parish are welcome and upon these occasions the members of the Auxiliary very kindly prepare and serve refreshments. They have also aided the Class financially through various means undertaken by them and have always most heartily cooperated with the Class whenever called upon.

One cause for regret is the fact that after June 1st, we lose our teacher and friend the Rev. Richard H. Gurley who severs his connection with our Parish preparatory to taking up work in mission fields. Mr. Gurley was largely instrumental in organizing the Men's Class and has been our leader throughout with the exception of the period of his service in the army abroad. The best wishes of all the men of the Class go with Mr. Gurley that his new work may be successful and we trust that he may look back with pleasure upon the association with the Class and the many friendships formed therein.

C. H. J.



THE DRAMATIC CLUB

A new play has been obtained and the participants expect to have it ready by the carnival.

R. C.

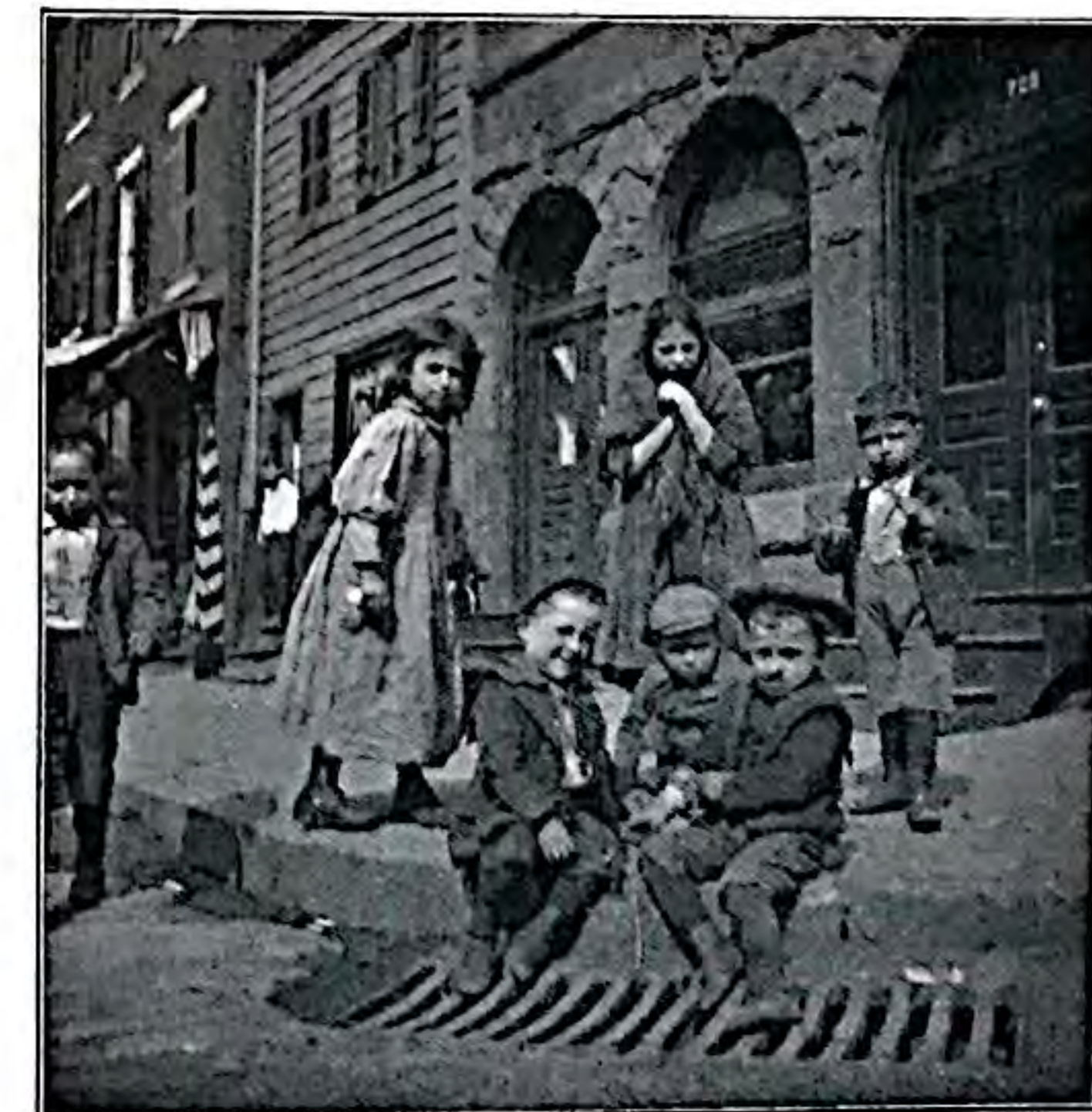


A SERVICE OF SILENCE

A unique and impressive service will be held in Christ Church on the evening of Whitsunday, May 23rd. It will be a **Service of Silence**—a service to the Holy Spirit. There will be no Sermon. The Service will begin at 7:45 sharp. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this **Service of Silence**. All seats free.



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POOR CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 20th. It will cost about \$4.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of

time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give, such as fortune, telling, comedian, legarde-homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

Persons wishing to give to this most worthy charity—if they are absent from Church on Sunday morning, June 20th may send their contributions either to the Rector or the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview street Germantown.

THE JUNIOR BROTHERHOOD

The chapter's chief aim lately has been to get the fellows to come to Sunday School and church. Through this effort many were brought back to Sunday School but a lot of more urging will need to be done still.

The next big meeting of all the chapter's will be June the 5th. When all will go by auto to Valley Forge and have a meeting there on the lawn. This is the most inspiring and beautiful service of the year. The men and their wives or whoever else they bring, sit on the lawn singing and praying while the sun sets beside that beautiful new chapel. An appeal to the men of the church:

PEW RENTS DUE

Why not begin now and build up a strong Senior chapter. You have a start now build on it. The Juniors want your cooperation. Anyone interested can speak to Mr. Jackson.

The semi-annual payments of pew rents are now due and checks may be sent to the Warden.

Persons who wish to rent pews or sittings in Christ Church may apply after Church Service to Mr. R. H. Morris or to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison in person or by address, 635 Westview avenue, Germantown.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING

IMPORTANT

Change of the Hour, Morning Service
During the months of July and August the hour of the noon-day service will be at half past ten, instead of at eleven o'clock. This change to half past ten will bring the Morning Service at a cooler part of the day. The Service will be over before twelve o'clock noon. It will also afford the scholars of the Church School the opportunity of attending the Service in the Church.

Please remember the hour of Morning Service 10:30 o'clock beginning on the first Sunday in July.

COMMUNION

The hour of the early Communion will remain the same—Holy Communion every Sunday morning at 7.30 o'clock. Shortened form of Evening Prayer, with address, every Sunday evening at 7.45.

The service during July will be in charge of the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector Emmanuel Church, Holmesburgh. In August the Rev. Theodore Stroak, Church of the Redeemer, Torresdale, will be in charge.

The Services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time if word is left at the Rectory.

The summer months suggest a release from any forms of Christian duty. But to a conscientious Christian and faithful Church member regular attendance at Divine Service is as important in summer as in winter. Wherever he may be, at home or abroad, in summer or in winter wherever and whenever the opportunity offers to worship God in His Holy Temple, the words of the true

Christian heart are the words of the Psalmist, "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord."

LETTERS OF TRANSFER

It is very important that new comers moving into the Parish should bring with them letters demissory. Note the following Canon of the Church: "A communicant moving from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish, of late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing."

It often occurs that communicants moving into a Parish, neglect for so long a time to comply with this Canon, drift about from place to place, or what is worse, neglect altogether their Church duties, that finally they get into a very dangerous habit of religious indolence and indifference—which soon brings with it hardness and callousness to spiritual influences which result in spiritual death.

There are many good people, who were once earnest and faithful attendants at the services of the Church—whose lives were once "strengthened and refreshed by the Bread of Life"—who are now wanderers from the Fold, prodigals from their Father's House. They have become so, not by any wilful desire not to believe or intentional denial of allegiance to their Christ and His Church; but by the insidious force of habit which almost unconsciously has wrapped itself about them fast—bound like the serpents about Laocoon and his sons.

If we love our friends, it is our happiness to be with them. Our Lord has said, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them (St. Matt 18:20). He is awaiting Sunday by Sunday, to meet you in His House—to be with you at His altar. He looks for you! Me thanks and praise, he honoureth Me" (Ps. 50, 23). He expects it. He looks for it. But now some one may say, "All these things which you have mentioned—worship and thanksgiving and the rest—may be done at home." Yes, they may be, and they must be done at home, too. But it is necessary that God should be acknowledged publicly in Church before the world, which does not obey Him, as well as privately in our own houses. And there is a special blessing offered to public prayer—"where two or three are gathered together"—over and above the promises to private prayer.

We are bound to acknowledge this fact. We are gathered together—"over and above the promises to private prayer. But it is our duty to go to Church for another reason Our Lord has set over His Household, which is the Church Stewards (that is, His Priests), who are to give to the members of the Household their portion of meat in due season. That is to say, Christ's ministers are to teach the people Christian truth, and to convey them grace in the Christian Sacraments. If it is the duty of God's ministers to offer to His people these things, it must be equally the duty of the people to come to receive them. The Sacraments are means to salvation (St. John 6, 53). Our souls cannot live without them, just as our bodies cannot live without food. Therefore, it is our duty to come to Church to receive the Sacraments.

So, then, what we have to do is to realize that it is a duty to go to Church. It ought to be a happiness, too; but it is always a duty. It follows that we should go to Church even though we don't feel inclined, just as an honest man pays his debts when he wants the money very badly for something else. But some will say, "I work hard all the week and very late on Saturday night, and often I don't go to Church on Sunday. Do you mean to say that I shan't be saved?" Let us put it another way. No one will be saved who doesn't love God. You will allow that. But if you have only a very feeble desire to go to God's House, can you persuade yourself that your love for Him is very great?

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY
The past season was a most successful one and a year of promise for the Girls' Friendly Society. There were classes in dancing and arts and crafts Miss Edna Cave, an artist in this class proved a most efficient instructor. Many beautiful things were made which were sold at the Carnival the proceeds of which are to be used for the redecoration of the Church.
A party was given once a month which all thoroughly enjoyed. During Lent the work was confined exclusively to sewing for the mission school at Vera Cruz, North Carolina. There is a branch of the society for married members also. Come girls and women join us in the Fall—the Season begins October 11th, 1920.

MOTHERS' MEETING
The closing "Party" of the Mothers' Meeting was held on Tuesday, June 13th. The Mothers met at the Parish House and were taken for an automobile ride, visiting the Aquarium, Memorial Hall and other places of interest in Fairmount Park. The "Party" held a picnic supper on the beautiful veranda at "Strawberry Mansion." On account of approaching storm, we had to return home earlier in the evening than we expected. But we all had a beautiful time. The Mothers wish to express their thanks to Mrs. Arndt and to Mrs. Rowley, who had charge of the picnic and to Mrs. Pinkerton, Mrs. Blood, Miss Margaret Hamilton, Miss Logan Starr, and Mr. Albert Rayner for taking the Mothers out in their automobiles.
C.

POOR CHILDREN'S OUTING FUND
The usual offering for that most worthy charity—the Poor Children's Outing Fund was taken in Christ Church on Sunday June

If these words are read by any who are drifting from place to place, without a Church that they can call their Home—the Rector affectionately urges that they let themselves be known to him that he may call upon them and welcome them to this Parish as their Church Home.
A letter or a card sent to the Rector will receive prompt attention.

AMERICA—AND THE

AMERICAN CHURCH

The annual recurrence of our National Birthday on July 4th recalls to mind the interesting fact that the men who took the most prominent part in the political and military affairs attending the founding of our country were for the most part Episcopalians. Old Christ Church in this city is the shrine most sacred to patriots and Churchmen alike and for more reasons than one this Church of ours deserves the name so frequently given to it, the "American Church." The following is a noteworthy list of some of the prominent founders of our country who were members of this Church.
George Washington, first President, leader of Independence.
Thomas Jefferson, author of Virginia Rights Bill 1776.
John Marshall, interpreter of Constitution.
Chief Justice.
Alexander Hamilton, great Federalist.
Richard Henry Lee, who proposed in Congress the resolution of Independence.
Peyton Randolph, President of First Congress.
Robert Livingston, who in 1764 organized opposition to Stamp Act.
C. C. Pickney, who cried "Millions for defence; but not one cent for tribute."
John Morton, whose vote committed Pennsylvania to the Revolution.
Caesar Rodney, whose vote committed Delaware to the Revolution.
Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution.
The following (Generals of the Revolution were Episcopalians:
Washington, Muhlenburg (Nelson, Howard

United States;
Twenty-five were Episcopalians; five were Congregationalists; five were Presbyterians; two were Roman Catholics; one was a Quaker; one was a Methodist.
Of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence there were:
Thirty-four Episcopalians; thirteen Congregationalists; five Presbyterians; two Quakers; one Romanist; one Baptist.

WHY OUGHT I TO GO TO CHURCH

When the question is put, Why ought I to go to Church? it is taken for granted that it is a duty to go to Church, or else there would be no "ought" in the matter. But some one who reads this may perhaps be not at all clear in his mind on the point. He may say, Is it a duty at all? So let us take another question first. Why do I go to Church? There are several answers.
One says, "I go to pass an hour." Well, it is clear that you don't look upon it as a duty. You think it is a matter of choice.
"I go to Church because I like it," says another. Well I am glad that you like it. But liking doesn't constitute duty. Duty is one thing, liking is another.
"I go to get some good for my soul," replies a third. Isn't this rather selfish? You only go to your Father when you want to get something out of Him.
"I go to Church because it is right." Ah! here is the idea of duty coming out for the first time. St. Paul teaches us the same thing: "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together, as the manner of some is" (Heb. 10, 25). Yes, it is right, certainly. But why?

By coming to Church we acknowledge our Creator. He has given us our existence. We depend upon him. He keeps us alive every moment. We belong to Him. "It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves."

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

James M. Woodroff, (1901) Rector's Warden
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Sheldon Potter (1885)
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Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lening (1919)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

2nd. The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania two thousand dollars for the endowment of a pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

20th. As the Chimes goes to press the amount of the offering has not been received. It is hoped that it will be a generous one, as the Rector has received from several charitable organizations, a large number of names of poor children living in the hot courts and alleys in our city, all of which, it is hoped, may be sent into the country for a week or ten days.

Persons who wish to give to this worthy charity may send their contributions to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

THE CARNIVAL

As the Chimes goes to press a Carnival is being held on the Parish Grounds for the benefit of the Church Decoration Fund. The Committees in charge have made elaborate preparations for this Carnival and they deserve high praise for the great success which the event promises to be. A report will be announced in the next issue of the Chimes.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild will be very glad to have contributions of flowers, during the Summer from any who have gardens.

At our last meeting held June 14th we adjourned our regular monthly meetings until October.

The Altar Guild regrets losing a good friend through the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Gurley but we wish him a great deal of success in his new work.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

July 2-9: Misses Mogridge, Cooley
Gerhard, Wismen, Mrs. Mogridge
July 9-16: Misses Dean, M. Thompson,
Crowder.
July 16-23: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser,
E. Thompson.
July 23-30: Misses Chase, Alexander,
Strien, Parker

G. F. D.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

As a general report of progress since Easter, the attendance has been good, and the following have been, STAR Classes (Every member present Mrs. Morris' and Mr. Feists (5 times); Miss Johnson's (4 times) Miss Gill's (3 times); Mrs. Schaefer's, Miss Morris, Miss Hamilton's, Miss Sarah Booz (Twice) and Miss Richards' Miss Ruth Ger-

hardt's, Miss Grace Gerhardt's and Mr. Bains' (once)).

Several new scholars have come in but we have still to fill the empty chairs in our Primary Department, which were left when the twenty scholars were promoted to the Main School at Easter time. Now a word to each one of these scholars. You promised to bring a new scholar to take your old place by September 1st. Do not forget it.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Our school has always been open during the summer for a short session but no class session, as so many teachers are away. This year it has been decided by the Rector to have the Church Service at 10:30 and have us attend this service instead of our own in the Parish House. We will all sit together and after the service the Minister will give us a short talk and then those of us who wish can leave before the sermon.

Now remember, starting Sunday, July 4th, Sunday School will be in the Church at 10:30. Everyone who is at home should come, and let us all try to bring our Mothers and Fathers with us, now one thing more. BE PUNCTUAL.

ENVELOPES

If you are going to be away part or all the summer, either fill your envelopes for the Sundays you will be away and bring them in before you go or take them with you and fill them each week and bring them the first Sunday after you return. This is a good deal easier than forgetting all about them until you return. Ask your parents if this is not so.

PICNIC

On account of many good reasons, it has been decided not to go a long way off for a picnic this year but to have it on the Parish House Lawn, Wednesday Evening, June 30th, at 7:00 o'clock, and we expect to have a lot of fun, and after it gets dark to have an OPEN AIR MOVIE, the first one in Germantown. We want everyone to be there and bring Fathers and Mothers.

The Primary Department will hold its picnic on the lawn Saturday June 26th from 3 to 5 p. m., and Miss Feist wants Mothers to come to this picnic also. The Primary Department are also invited to the picnic of the Main School June 30th.

If you have read carefully all that has been written above, you will see that this summer we want to make Fathers and Mothers a part of the Sunday School and we can't do this unless you will help.

R. H. M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary will discontinue its meetings during the summer months. We hope to start again in September with a larger attendance and to double the work we have done for missions during the past year. The Woman's Auxiliary is the Missionary society of the Church and its work is to raise money for missions to help in Missionary work. The meetings are held once a month in the Parish House. We need more women to help us in this work.

A. F. W.

JUST ITS INTENTION

It is related on good authority that an elderly man from Western Pennsylvania, whose family were Presbyterians and whose only experience in a religious way came from attending a country church with them, was once on a visit to a brother who was a Churchman and a Warden in a certain Philadelphia Parish. Sunday morning came, and he was invited to go to church with his brother. He professed his willingness to do so if his brother would only post him as to what to do, for he had heard that "Episcopalians" were dreadfully formal. In Church they sat right together. The service began with the sentences, then the Warden whispered "kneel down." This seemed to be hard work. After the Lord's Prayer, on admonition, he "got up." Then "sit down," and so it went until after the Creed. When the "kneel down" then came it seemed too much for the visitor's patience, for as he was getting down he grunted in an undertone, "Well this does beat the Devil." "Just its intention," quietly whispered the Warden, and after this the service went on without any further comment.

THE KINDERGARTEN

The Kindergarten First and Second Grade which meets week-days under the direction of Miss Dietz in Christ Church Parish House will be in session again Sept. 8th 1920. Phone Germantown 1477 J. Parish House 4606.

THE SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE



Seamen's Church Institute

Building to be erected at Second and Walnut streets for sailors of the merchant marine and all seafaring men of this port. Ground obtained.

The institute is not a charity—it is a civic project. It provides a self-supporting hotel, a navigation school, auditorium, bank, recreation rooms, restaurant and chapel for sailors. It gives them a home when in port.

I agree to enroll as:

.... Founder membership	\$1000
.... Life membership	500
.... Guarantor (yearly)	100
.... Annual membership (yearly)	10
.... Contributor	
.... Subscriber "Crows Nest"	50

Payment to be made before

Signed

Address

Check should be sent to Seamen's Church Institute, C. S. W. PACKARD, Treasurer, 517 Chestnut st., Phila.

Hon. president, Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D.; president, Alexander Van Rensselaer; secretary, Sydney P. Clark, 321 Chestnut street.

It is a privilege to bring to the attention of the readers of the Chimes a very worthy object that has been recently undertaken with vigor in the interest of Seamen.

With the marked increase in shipping that has come to Philadelphia since the war, the need for an institution to properly look after the welfare of the seamen visiting this port has become vital. For many years the conditions surrounding seamen coming to this port have been disgraceful and every influence has combined to debauch and degrade them. The effect has been demoralizing to the crews of visiting vessels.

The plans of the Seamen's Church Institute to erect at the corner of Second and Walnut a hotel and institute for the proper care of all classes of sea-faring men when

they are in the port of Philadelphia should not meet only with the cordial support of those interested in the promotion of welfare work, but should have the hearty endorsement of all who are desirous of seeing the business of this port developed.

The Building Committee of the Institute consists of Mr. W. W. Frazier, Jr., Chairman; Mr. Thomas E. Baird, Jr., and Mr. W. P. Barba. The Honorary President of the Institute is the Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D. D., and the President is Mr. Alexander Van Rensselaer.

The plans for the building of the Institute call for completion in three units, the first to be erected as provided for by the photograph printed in this issue, and to include accommodations for about 200 able-bodied seamen, besides rooms for 50 officers.

This building will be erected on ground secured by contribution of the charter members and the building will be largely made up of memorials, according to the enclosed plans of designating each feature of the building in some particular way. Already some parts of the building have been promised as memorials and gifts.

The total cost of the first unit of the structure, not including cost of the property, will amount to about \$491,000, and building will be undertaken as soon as the necessary funds are in hand.

The other units of construction planned for adjacent property will include a large auditorium and permanent chapel and additional rooms and dormitories over each. The plans are so made that the first unit herewith shown can be erected at once and the others built in with it later.



TWO IDEAS OF THE CHURCH

There is a difference between the Episcopal Church and some other Christian bodies. The mode of worship, the methods of work, the ways of thinking and doing are different. The difference is not only great, but it is radical. It goes to the very root of matters. It is to be traced to what the idea of the Church of Christ actually is. Out of this real root difference grows all the rest.

What is the Church? Let us define it, and call one definition "The Church Idea," and the other "The Sectarian Idea."

The Church Idea.

1. It is a Divine institution with a human mission.
2. It is an organism for dispensing Christianity.
3. It is the Kingdom of Heaven seeking men on earth.

Sectarian Idea

1. It is a human institution with a divine mission.
2. It is an organization for the attainment of Christianity.
3. It is a society on earth seeking the kingdom of Heaven.

These are two entirely distinct and totally opposite conceptions of the nature and the purposes of the Church. Very naturally the idea held influences every doctrine and practice of the church and determines its government. Hence the difference.

Let us emphasize the three points in each definition. "The Church Idea" recognizes that the Church is a Divine Institution, founded by Christ Himself, organized, officered and sent forth by Him, under the influence and guidance of the Divine Spirit, to do His work. It is the visible manifestation to the world of Christ; the Church is "His Body." It claims that no other man can make a Church, because he wants to emphasize certain doctrines or practices. The Episcopal Church claims that it is far better to let men hold their "views"—to look at the great truths from which ever side they please—but be loyal to the great Body that Christ sent forth into the world. "The Church Idea" believes in Christian unity.

The "Church Idea" also claims that the Church is an organism, Christ founded His Church not on any particular ideas or "opinions" of men, but on Himself. The Church is Christ "Body" as it is called in the New Testament. It is the Incarnation extended on earth through the Sacraments to the end of time. It is an Organism with a life of its own, having the power of vitality within itself, communicated to it by its Head, preserved in it by the Holy Spirit, so that the promise remains true to-day: "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Inspired men wrote the Bible, and in the course of time gathered its several books together and established the "Canon of

Scripture," that future generations might know what the Apostles did. It is the written story of the Gospel and its conquests in the first Christian century, as human lips told it and enforced it. The Episcopal Church, which holds "The Church Idea," honors the Bible as much as any Christian body. Its utterances settle her questions of belief and practice, but she does not say "The Bible and the Bible only," for the Church of Christ is an organism, dependent upon an order of living men; and before they had any Bible in the form of the "New Testament," they went forth and accomplished the noblest conquests over the heathen world. And every Bible might be burned, and yet the Church of Christ would live, and men would tell brother men "the faith once delivered to the saints."

The Episcopal Church also claims the Church is a Kingdom—the Kingdom of God on earth, and partaking of a Kingdom with its King, and its governors appointed by the King, and by their successors, every officer holding his authority by virtue of a delegated authority, and every act of the duly appointed officers reaching down through all time to every citizen of that Kingdom. The hands of Jesus were lifted up over the apostles, and they received their commission: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature and baptize them." The apostles laid their hands on their successors, and so until they rest on Christians to-day—practically the hands of Jesus stretching down through the ages, and pouring the water upon the head of the last baptized child, and giving the bread and the wine to the person who to-day kneels before the altar. This is Apostolic Succession. And that Kingdom should be one—united—not "divided against itself," as has been the case since men have undertaken "to make churches," to perpetuate opinions, and to teach doctrines.

This is the idea of the Church we find recorded in the Bible, as it tells us what Jesus and the apostles did. "The very first act of Christ's ministry," as an able writer puts it, "was to gather a few persons around him and form a society. We know the names and number of that society—the twelve disciples. At first they were only disciples—learners. He kept them near Him; He taught them by word and example. His parables He

explained privately to them only. He trained them for their work by sending them out two and two, to preach and heal. There were evidently three ranks among these; Himself, the Head; the twelve next, and the third the seventy. Just before his Ascension Christ raised the twelve to the first rank, saying "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

The first act of the apostles after this was to choose one to take the place of Judas, showing thereby that the society, or organization was to be kept up. At that time the disciples in Jerusalem had increased to one hundred and twenty. Acts 1, 15. The organization was complete, but it had not received the breath of life. On the Day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit was breathed into this organism, and it became active and aggressive. This was the baptism, the new birth, of the Church.

Soon after this we find the Church choosing deacons, and the apostles ordaining them by laying on of hands. Next we read of elders, or presbyters, or priests, evidently differing in office from apostles and deacons. The apostles go forth to the cities of the world, preaching and ordaining elders in every city. Thus the living society is enlarged and has in it all the germs for continuance. It shows that Christ's first and great method for saving souls was not to write a book or propound a philosophy which might have been done by some prophet, but was to found a Church, in living connection with Himself, its Head."

Which "Idea" is the better one depends on the fact whether Christ organized a church or not.

According to the laws of nature, there must be more real vitality, a fuller, richer life in a Divine Body, than in a human society—in the Kingdom of God seeking men, than in a lot of men seeking the Kingdom of God.

Such a conception of the Church of God is grand, inspiring, helpful. It is calculated to secure the devotion and allegiance of men as something worthy of their love. It makes Churchmen who act from principle as well as from choice. It rises far above that we go to church where and when we like the minister, and work and worship when things suit us, and feel no sense of duty or obligation when other conditions exist.—Selected.

The Spirit of the Churchman is the spirit of the psalmist, "Lord I have loved the habitation of thy house and the place where thine honor dwelleth."



OUR OBLIGATIONS

The average man lives for what he can get out of life. To him the riches of the world are spread out before him, and in striving to acquire them he puts forth every energy, uses up the natural forces with which he has been endowed and recklessly dissipates the highest qualities of his manhood in the acquisition of them. To this man Christ asks, "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul."

The Christ set the world the very opposite method of action. To Him every opportunity in which He could be of service to others was the opportunity He seized. He came to give Himself and all that He had to the service of His fellowmen. He gave so freely that He gave all; and after Him the apostles, following His example, giving all to the service in which He had enlisted them—the service of their fellowmen. In this service they were misunderstood, and like their Divine Master, were put to death by the very ones whom they were trying to save. Yet they accounted the love of Christ greater riches than all the treasures of this world, and died happy that they were accounted worthy to suffer for His sake. They died poor and misunderstood of many, yet they not only preserved the noblest qualities of manhood, but they developed them so that in their death they were spiritual princes and rich in heavenly treasure.

To the man of the world and to the man of God death comes alike; but from the one death takes all that he has, from the other death can take nothing for he has nothing that death can destroy. "The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God. In the sight of men they seem to die, but they are in everlasting life and peace."



HAVE WEDDINGS IN THE CHURCH

It is a strange misapprehension of the fitness of things which so frequently suggests to the minds of devout people that it is "lovely to have the wedding at home." There are sentimental reasons for it we know.

But these are trifling in comparison with the reasons why the marriage should be solemnized at the Church.

What is marriage? It is the union of a Christian man and a Christian woman, which St. Paul tells us is a type of the union between Christ and His Church. It is a service in which the father of the bride, with his own hand, gives his daughter to God (Who is represented by the Priest), and by the Priest she is given to the groom, who receives her from the hand of the Priest as "a gift from God." If the union does symbolize the divine union between Christ and His Church; if the bride is God's gift to the groom, what place is so fit for its solemnization as the House of God? what place so fit as the Church to receive God's gift?

Besides all this, we ask God to give His fullest blessing to the two souls who have just made their solemn and indissoluble vows each to the other. While it is true that God will give His blessing to one who seeks it earnestly, wherever he may be, if we are free to go where it may most naturally be sought, where will we be drawn so strongly as to His temple?

The Prayer Book service is designed only to be used in the Church. The third rubric at the beginning of the service reads: "At the day and time appointed for solemnization of Matrimony, the persons to be married shall come into the body of the church, or shall be ready in some proper house, with their friends and neighbors." The "proper house" would mean that in the case of struggling missions, or other places where there is no church, the "house" where the services are customarily said, would be used for the marriage. In all other places, the church is the proper place.

We commend this subject most earnestly and prayerfully to our readers. And while we fully enter into the sentimental reasons which cluster about the family hearth and which love to associate the sacred ties of life with the earthly home, we are very sure that when we consider the solemnization of Holy Matrimony and all that it means, it is much more to the mind of the Church that this be done in the House of God. We believe, too, that marriage vows taken before the altar of God will not so lightly be set aside by attempted divorces as those made

elsewhere. Do you not think, too, that the argument for the sentiment of "home weddings" loses all of its weight in communities such as ours, in cities where we do not have a permanent home, but flit about from flat to flat, with no permanent abiding place. Our only real home is God's house, where He loves to have us meet with Him, and pours out upon our opening and yearning hearts His most abundant blessings.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST ANDREW

In writing an article for publication regarding the activities of this society it is very difficult to find material—not particularly because there is nothing to write about but as the entire work of the order is personal it would necessitate stating that so many men were called upon and invited to come to Church, the Holy Communion or the Bible Class. For this reason an article about our Chapter is seldom seen in the "Chimes" and quite often causes comment from those not familiar with the work of the Brotherhood.

One very important need at the present time is a few men who are willing to help in this work which is simple and only that which every man promised to do when he received the Laying on of Hands in Confirmation. It is unfortunate that so many of us forget, as it were that we are pledged to "fight against sin, the world and the Devil and to remain Christ's faithful soldier and servant until our life's end." If this were not so there would be no need for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to "spread Christ's Kingdom among men" for every man would be doing it voluntarily but so long as it remains a fact it is necessary for organizations of this character to be formed and certain men pledged to carry on as best they can what every member of The Church of Christ should be doing.

The work in This Parish is very great—too much for the few men in This Chapter to do in any satisfactory manner and it is earnestly hoped that five men of Christ Church will heed this appeal and talk the matter over with the Rector or any member of The Chapter. The dues are practically nothing!—one dollar per year which includes a subscription to "St. Andrew's Cross" and is one of the best Church papers published in this country.

For those who feel that they cannot un-

dertake the active work and yet desire to assist, a new avenue has been opened in the formation of an "Associate Membership." This includes no obligations other than a fee of three dollars per year of which two dollars is for a subscription to the "Cross" and one dollar to forward the work of the Brotherhood. Any men desiring to avail themselves of this privilege may receive information from the Director of The Chapter, Chas. H. Jackson.

A PRECIOUS LEGACY

Persons who have not had the advantage of the beautiful service of our Church in their earlier years often become in their later years, when this privilege is enjoyed by them, the most enthusiastic admirers of our service and the most devoted and loyal members of the Church. They are able from their experience to contrast the barrenness and emptiness of other forms with the richness and fulness of the grand historic liturgy of the Church. The following extract from the memoirs of Prof. Austin Phelps, the scholarly Congregational preacher is a case at point.

"The Liturgy of the Episcopal Church has become very precious to me. The depth of its meaning it seems to me nobody can fathom who has not experienced some sorrow. We have lost much in parting with the prayers of Old Mother Church, and what have we gained in their places? I do not feel in extemporaneous prayer the deep undertone of devotion which rings out from the old collects of the Church like the sounds of ancient bells. I longed for and prayed for, and, worst of all, waited for, some sublime and revolutionary change of heart; and when that was, as a fact of a child's experience, I have not the remotest idea. If I had been trained in the Episcopal Church, I should at the time have been confirmed and entered upon a consciously religious life and grown up into Christian living of the Episcopal type."

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M. A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY AT HOME SATURDAY EVENING
6.00 to 8.00 P. M.

BEGINNING THIS FALL.

Now that vacation days are ended I hope to see all members of Christ Church regularly in their places in the House of God. I trust that each one of us is taking up his life again this fall with higher ideals and nobler purposes. The world is calling, as it never called before, for true, unselfish consecrated men and women. The source of all truth, all unselfish, consecrated service in Christ, and the Church, instituted by Christ, is the means, the channel by which and through which His life and His power is conveyed. "Without me says Christ ye can do nothing."

Let us remember this, my friend, and let each one of us, resolve this fall, to be more regular in our religious duties, more faithful in our Communion, more unselfish and more zealous in our Christian work. Most earnestly pray—yes, let all of us most earnestly pray—that God's Holy Spirit may come with power into each life in this Parish, to arouse the indifferent, to raise the fallen, to strengthen the weak, to give patience and courage to the faithful; that all may be filled more and more with the love of Christ, which will be manifested in prompt, unselfish, consecrated service.

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There is one thing that every member can do; that every one should do; and that is to be a home missionary, to invite and to try to influence persons in your neighborhood to attend your Church. There is one member in this parish who has interested a score of persons in Christ Church and Sunday School.

There are others to whom, it would seem, it has never occurred that they had the least responsibility of sharing their religion with their neighbor. What a blessing it would bring, both to themselves and to others, if they were alive to this responsibility!

Let every member of Christ Church resolve, this fall, to share with others their religious privileges. Let every member of Christ Church make the following resolution: "I resolve that, for eight months, beginning now, I will make an effort each week to bring at least, one person in my neighborhood, to Church with me."

Every member can, at least, try to do this much.

Let every one conscientiously try to do all he or she can to bring others to church. By persistent effort and by prayer miracles follow!

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A very dear friend of the Rectors, in announcing the beginning of the fall and winter's schedule of services in his parish, in one of the largest cities of the East, addressed his people, through his parish paper, in the following words. They are so strong and express so fully the Rector's sentiments that he has adopted these words as his own and addresses them, through the Chimes to the people of this parish, as we, Rector and people together, take up the beginning of another winter's work in our Master's service.

"Today we resume our usual work together. We have no new programme to announce, no new gospel to preach, no new sensations to spring. Nor have we any-

thing startling to say about what we are going to do. It is better to do it than to talk about doing it. A high-sounding manifesto is often followed by a weak campaign. It is not improper, however, to recall some elementary facts. This church tries to represent certain ideas. It stands for a certain distinct type of Christianity. We are very much dissatisfied with ourselves, but we are very much satisfied with our ideal. For instance, we believe in the spiritualization of religion as distinguished from the secularization of it. Our creed neither begins nor ends with philanthropy. It simply includes that. Our business is with hopes and inspirations rather than with buns and sops. Our Alpha and Omega is God in Christ. Then again we prefer to take things quietly, not noisily. We are not easily carried away. We have no disposition to be 'up-to-date,' because for one reason there are a great many 'dates' and many of them are not worth being 'up to.' An old truth is better than a modern humbug. 'Vox populi vox Dei' is a proverb, but it is also a lie. Popularity is no sign either of divinity or sanity. We are rather old-fashioned as a church—and enjoy being so—and we welcome everyone of any creed, of any condition, of any need. We are trying to be coworkers and also coworkers with God. There is a plenty of work to be done and we invite your help, your prayer and your good will."

STRANGERS AND OCCASIONAL ATTENDANTS

The Rector is pleased to see and to welcome the strangers and occasional worshippers who attend the Services of Christ Church. He is disappointed, however, that these strangers who attend occasionally, continue to remain "strangers." He is very anxious to meet them personally and to invite them to identify themselves with the Parish.

The Parish needs the co-operation of every one and every one needs a "Church Home." No one ought to be content to remain an "outsider," without a Church which he can call his own.

There are many religious people "going through life without a home." This is a wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that in all this community, who are not settled in any

Church, will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and to welcome them to Christ Church. Do not delay longer. Do it now!

THE RECTOR'S COUNCIL.

Last spring, there was organized in this Parish the Rector's Parish Council, consisting of representatives of each society of the Parish Guild. The object of this Council is to co-operate with the Rector in the management of the various activities in the Parish. It will be remembered that last June a very successful Carnival was given, which netted a substantial sum for the painting of the church. A meeting of the Council, to lay plans for the coming year is called to meet in the Parish House on Wednesday evening, October 13th at eight o'clock. It is requested that all members of the Council be present at this meeting.

A LETTER TO THE RECTOR FROM BISHOP RHINELANDER.

A letter received by the Rector from the Bishop of the Diocese, shows the interest he takes in the plan of the Rector's Council. The Bishop's letter is as follows:

Bishop's House,
251 South 22nd St.,
Philadelphia.
May 28, 1920.

Dear Mr. Arndt:

I am much interested in the last number of your Parish paper, especially in what you say of the formation of your Guild of Parish Council. I am very sure that this is the true method of Parish organization. It brings the workers in a Parish in close touch with one another and also with the Vestry. I think it is possible to work up these occasions so that a large number of people will attend and get information about what is really going on in the Parish and there is nothing which increases interest so much as knowledge. I wish you every success in your endeavor.

I shall pray earnestly for the success of your experiment.

Faithfully yours,

P. M. RHINELANDER.

SERVICES ON ALL SAINTS' DAY.

The services on All Saints' Day, Monday, November 1st, will be as follows: Holy Com-

munion, 7:30 a. m. Holy Communion and Sermon 11:00 a. m. At the latter service, the names of parishioners who have entered into Life Eternal since last All Saints' Day, will be read from the Chancel and prayers will be said for the departed. The offering will be for Missions—the extension of the Kingdom of Christ upon earth.

The flowers on the altar will be in memory of those who rest in Paradise. Persons who wish to give flowers in memory of departed friends are invited to send them to the Parish House on Saturday afternoon, October 30th, so that they may be placed on the altar in time for the early service the following Monday—All Saints' Day.

After the services, these flowers will be sent to the sick in the Parish.

ALL SAINTS.

The dead in Christ are not very far from us. But this is not meant any false spiritualism, any physical nearness of sound, or sight or touch. That would be only to restore what is most imperfect, and what death was meant to end. The nearness is that of the deeper, hidden bands which bind the souls of them that love Him together, in the Lord Jesus Christ. The body is resting in the grave under the care of God's holy angels till the glory of the resurrection morning, but the soul is somewhere with Christ. He knows it, cares for it, watches it, loves it, has drawn it to Himself in a closer union, has poured fuller graces upon it, has washed it in His own blood. It is one with Him in a fuller, deeper sense than ever before. The soul, too, must be gaining in all spiritual powers; it must be growing in love, in humility, in charity, in every grace.

It is surely right to think that it remembers those it loved on earth; that it prays for them; that it is fuller of abounding grace, and worships the eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, as it never worshipped here. And therefore, in proportion as one left behind grows nearer to Christ he must be growing nearer to his loved one.

Both in Christ, they must also be very near to one another in Him; He is their meeting place. The departed is on one side the veil, the living on the other—that is all. Just as when two who love one another here are parted, and hear that they can meet, they hurry as quickly as possible to the place appointed, even so will the mourner try to

draw near to the one taken away, by prayer, by good works, by patience, by gentle cheerfulness, and, above all, by the faithful reception of the Holy Communion. Where-so ever Christ is, there the dead in Christ must be. Going nearer to Christ must lead one of them, and thus it seems that there must be deep and invisible bonds binding the holy living to the holy dead in Him.

They are awaiting us in Paradise. The reason of man teaches, and Holy Scriptures confirm it, that we shall know one another in that blessed land. We must believe that the dearest ties we have on earth, the things that most lead us unto God, have their fruition in heaven—not in any earthly way, but divested of all that is weak and poor and frail in them, in a transfigured glory. All our heart, and thought and feeling will indeed center in Christ, but these blessed ties will be the steps to the throne on which He sits. In loving any member in His mystical body, we shall only love Him the more who is the Head of it. Thus father and son, mother and daughter, husband and wife, one in Christ, will still be one with each other. Somehow in this world, family ties, if they bind the members of the family closely together, serve also to separate the family in that degree, from the rest of the world. In the other life, there will be all the union and none of the separation. The one family of Christ, however much all earthly bonds may find in it their blessed fulfilment, will know no separation, and yet each earthly tie on which God has set the seal of His blessing, will have its distinct place in the eternal oneness.

Thus as the mourner here on earth seeks to draw near to God, each step will bring him closer to the soul at rest with God, until at last the veil shall be lifted, and, hand in hand, in the glad company of the Redeemed, they will see the vision of God's glory, and at the Resurrection wake up after God's likeness, and "be satisfied with it."—James De-Koven.

Lord, where Thou art, our Holy Dead must be,

Unpierced as yet, the Sacramental mist;
But we are nearest them and nearest Thee
At solemn Eucharist.

Parish Notes

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

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Vestry of Christ Church

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter, and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service; or address: 635 Westview Ave., Germantown.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday—7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary) Third Wednesday 10 A. M. 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boy's Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girl's Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION—every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

1st. Rental of Pews.

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All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so, will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to support the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church.

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Memorial Pew.

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_____ dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

NOTE: The Act of April 26th, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to Religious or Charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses, otherwise the bequest is void.

O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee,

For those who made the earthly home so fair;

How little we may know, how little see,
Only—that Thou art there!

Dear hands unclapsed from ours are clasping Thee;

Thou holdest us for ever in Thy Heart;
So close in One Communion—are we
In very truth, apart?

Lord, where Thou art happy Dead must be;
And if with Thee, what, then, their boundless bliss!

Till faith be sight, and hope, reality;
Love's anchorage is this!

A PRAYER—IN MEMORIAM.

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, in whose embrace all creatures live, in whatsoever world or condition they be; I beseech Thee for him whose name and dwelling place and every need Thou knowest. Lord, vouchsafe him light and rest, peace, refreshment, joy and consolation, in paradise, in the companionship of saints, in the presence of Christ, in the ample folds of Thy great love.

Grant that his life (so troubled here) may unfold itself in Thy sight, and find a sweet employment in the spacious fields of eternity. If he hath ever been hurt or maimed by any unhappy word or deed of mine, I pray Thee of Thy great pity to heal and restore him that he may serve Thee without hindrance.

Tell him, O gracious Lord, if it may be, how much I love him, and miss him, and long to see him again; and, if there be ways in which he may come, vouchsafe him to me as a guide and guard and grant me a sense of his nearness in such degree as Thy laws permit.

If in aught I can minister to his peace, be pleased of Thy love to let this be; and mercifully keep me from every act which may deprive me of the sight of him as soon as our trial-time is over, or mar the fulness of our joy when the end of days hath come.

Pardon, O gracious Lord and Father, whatsoever is amiss in this my prayer, and let Thy

will be done, for my will is blind and erring, but Thine is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PARISH MEETING.

A Parish meeting will be held in the Parish House on Wednesday evening, October 27th at eight o'clock. The object of this meeting is threefold: First, to bring together all members of the Parish to meet one another socially; secondly, to hear brief reports from the various societies of the work done and to be done; thirdly, to discuss and to suggest ways and means whereby the interests and work of the Parish may be extended. The Parish meetings held last year and the previous year were most interesting and profitable and it is expected that the meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, October 27th, will be equally enjoyable. The Rector asks that every member of the Parish and all who attend the services of the Church be present on that evening. Refreshments will be served and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Remember the date—Wednesday evening, October 27th, at eight o'clock. Let everyone be present!

I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving. To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it—but we must sail, and not adrift, nor lie at anchor.—O. W. Holmes.

ROUSING MEN IN LOCAL CHURCH

Here is the way one Chicago pastor went after his men:
To Our Men:

I have never thought more prayerfully over any set of sentences I have had to write than these that follow. I want them so written that God can use them to fire the hearts of men I know and love, with moral earnestness.

During the past six years I have been turned down by hundreds of men to whom I have gone to urge some definite Christian service. I heard simply thousands of excuses and have seen almost everything get in between men and the thing I pressed for. I have doubted my own leadership scores of

times in the unsleeping moments of the night. I have studied on my knees my limitations in getting men in this parish to do things. Every time I have arisen with a new determination to keep right on calling these same men so long as I am pastor here!

I will not think longer of the dead and ineffective committees of the past. I will not allow one bit of discouragement to darken the hope in my soul for better things.

We have lost leaders. Strong staves have broken in my hand. Death has robbed us of many. But note, men! God has pushed more of Chicago close up to the doorways of our big well equipped church than ever before. She never had such a chance. We dare not run from personal duty. No man will. I know our men will not let slight matters hinder their serving through our church this great new field about us.

Every man is called. Don't wait on a program. You love men and know how to help them in a score of ways without being told!

A definite task is now before us. The men and Religion Forward Movement is stirring church life throughout the land. It must not go by without our getting in touch with it and sharing its blessings. Its five great fields of services are given below. It will mean nothing to us except as we tune up our local church to receive.

These committees are not appointed, they have orders, not from the pastor, but from the aroused conscience of the church and their sense of Christian obligation to our great unreached community.

Not one has been personally asked.

A general does not go down the line and ask each man to kindly fire if he possibly can!

He knows every man will do his duty.

"God, give us men!

Men who never shamed their mothers,
Men who never fail their brothers,
True, however, false are others,
Give us men! I say again:
God give us men!"

SHALL THE CHIMES BE CONTINUED?

This is the last issue of the present volume of the Chimes. With this issue all subscriptions expire. This issue closes with a

small debt. If the Chimes is to be continued it will be necessary that the list of subscribers and contributing friends be greatly increased. At least \$100.00 must be in hand before the end of October. Every member of the Parish should assist in defraying the expense of publication. The price of subscription remains the same as before the war, 50 cents a year. This is the one thing in the country that has not advanced—except some peoples' Church offerings.

It is hoped that some persons will send a contribution in addition to their subscriptions, so that the expense of publishing the Chimes may be fully met. Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Mr. Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman street, or to the Rector.

THE DISCIPLINE OF HARDSHIPS.

In April the peach orchard lends a faint pink flush to the distant hillside, and that stands for the moralities. In September the ripe fruit lends a golden blush of clustered food to the same hill. And such is the fruit of religion. Great is the importance of the root of moralities, but roots and boughs imply the ripened fruit.

The rule of life is health, prosperity and sunshine. But God hath appointed wrestling, defeat, and suffering as important members of his corps of teachers.

Ours is a universe where progress is secured in the fruits and grains through chemical reactions. Steel is iron plus fire; soil is rock plus fire, billow and ice-plow; statutes are marble plus chisel and hammer strokes; linen is flax plus the bath that racks, the club that flairs, the comb that separates, the acid that bleaches.

Manhood is birth-gift plus struggles, temptation, wrestling and refusals to go downward and determination to climb upward. The saint is a man who has been carried off the field on his shield, victorious over inbred sin and outside temptation. Men who drift are men who drown.—Newell Dwight Hillis.

KALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER.

- Nov. 1. All Saints' Day
7. Twenty-third after Trinity
14. Twenty-fourth after Trinity
21. Sunday next before Advent
25. Thanksgiving Day

28. First Sunday in Advent

30. St. Andrew.

PARISH REGISTER.

Baptized

"In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sept. 12. Isabel Littler King (infant)

19. Charles Frederick Rudolph (infant.)

Married.

"Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

Oct. 9. James Thomas Eliason, Jr.
Emilie Parmentier Dean

Buried.

"Looking for the General Resurrection and the life of the world to come, through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

Sept. 30. Matilda T. Jackson

Oct. 2. Ellen E. Cannon

THE PARISH SOCIETIES

The various societies in the Parish are resuming their meetings and taking up their work for the fall and winter. A list of the Parish Societies will be found on another page of the Chimes. All persons in the Parish are cordially invited to identify themselves with some department of the active work of the Church. The Rector will be pleased to welcome newcomers into the Parish or other who desire to engage in Church work. There is opportunity for every one in some department of the Parish Guild.

The Women's Auxiliary, the Missionary Society of the Church, will meet on Wednesday afternoon at half past two o'clock in the Parish House. Plans for the fall and winter work will be made at this meeting. A cordial invitation is extended to all women in the Parish to attend.—Mrs. Henry R. Baremore, President.

The Girls' Friendly Society have resumed their weekly meetings, every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Girls' come around to the Parish House and join us. We are planning "fine times" for the coming winter. You will enjoy being with us! The Branch Secretary is Mrs. Topliffe Johnson.

The Mothers' Meeting resumes the session on Tuesday afternoon, October 18th, at 2:30. The meetings are in charge of Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt and Mrs. U. G. Rowley.

TWO MEN FROM CHRIST CHURCH ORDAINED TO THE MINISTRY.

On Sunday morning, September 26, Christ Church had the distinction of having two of her sons ordained to the sacred ministry. Mr. Stanley V. Wilcox was ordained to the Diaconate and Rev. Richard H. Gurley was advanced to priesthood by the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, in St. Mary's Diocesan Church, Philadelphia. The candidates were presented to the Bishop by their Rector, the Rev. Charles Henry Arndt.

On the following Sunday the Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox assisted the Rector at the early Communion in Christ Church and at the mid-day service the Rev. Richard H. Gurley, preached his first sermon as priest and celebrated the Holy Communion. Rev. Mr. Gurley expects to enter into mission work in Japan and the Rev. Mr. Wilcox will serve his diaconate as assistant at Old Sweden Church, Philadelphia.

Christ Church is very proud of these two young men and the prayers of their many friends in this Parish ascend to Heaven that God may abundantly bless their ministry.

Bear in mind, my friend, that your happiness or your misery is very much of your own making. You cannot create spiritual sunlight any more than you can create the morning star; but you can put your soul where Christ is shining. Keep a clear conscience. Keep a good stock of God's promises within reach. Keep a nightingale of hope in your soul that can sing away the dark hours when they do come. Keep a good, robust faith that can draw honey out of rocks and oil out of the flinty rock. Never spend a day without trying to do something good, and then keeping step with your Master, march on towards heaven, over any road, however rough, and against any head-winds that blow.—Canadian Churchman.

MR. MORRISON'S REMOVAL.

Our faithful and efficient Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, has removed, with

his family to Wyncote, Pa. It is hoped that this will be only temporary and that he will soon return to Germantown. At the unanimous request of the Rector and Vestry, Mr. Morrison has agreed to continue to serve as Warden, at least until after Easter. This will be gratifying to the members of the congregation, all of whom deeply appreciate his faithful and his untiring efforts in the arduous duties and responsibilities of Accounting Warden.

RUMMAGE SALE.

A Rummage sale for the benefit of the painting and Parish Building Repair Fund will be held the latter part of October. The committee in charge solicit from all members of the Parish, articles of any kind—furniture, clothing, or anything that has accumulated in your house and is not needed. Please drop a postal card to any member of the committee, specifying what articles you will contribute to the sale and they will be called for. The following are the names of the Committee in charge: Dr. J. Clarence Courtney, chairman, Frederick Lennig, Miss Esther Alexander.

Look around your house or office for articles that have been cast aside and notify the committee at once. Let every one in the Parish co-operate and make some donation to this Rummage sale.

CHIMES MISSING.

A request has been received from the Historical Society for a complete file of the Christ Church Chimes. In referring to our file it is found that the following issues of the Chimes are missing: October 1918, November 1918, and March 1919. If any one has the missing issues of these dates and will send them to the Rector, the favor will be appreciated.

There is no joy in work or worship unless we do it heartily, continuously and faithfully. If you find no joy in service it is because you are not faithful in season and out of season.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE CHIMES

Now is the time to send in your subscriptions and contribution to the Chimes. Do it now. Whether or not the publication of the Chimes is to be continued depends upon

the amount received from the parishioners. Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Mr. Robert Carmant, 6373 Sherman street, or to the Rector.

"THE RELIGIOUS TRAMP" PROBLEM

The following article is taken from the "Literary Digest."

The pest of religious society, agree The American (New York) and The Christian Century (Chicago,) is the 'church tramp.' This class of undesirables and the sensationalists who have helped to create it are thus described and denounced by The Christian Century:

"The religious tramp is a phenomenon of a serious nature. He is, indeed, a believer in a way, although he asserts with a pseudo-liberality that 'one church is as good as another.' He travels around to the 'special services' which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and they are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. He does not want to give regularly, though he drops a chance nickel into the plate. His attitude is one of unconcern with regard to the welfare of the churches. He gets his amusement and his sociability from the churches at the minimum of expense. He asks for no more. Just now in many communities the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church builder.

"Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life-and-death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church."

Any ultimate delight in life must be rooted in something deeper than self-centered pleasure; it must love persons and seek ends for their own sake; and find its joy not in the satisfaction of man as he is, but in the development of that which his thought and love enable him to become.—William De Witt Hyde.

FREE PRIVILEGES AT THE Y. M. C. A.

We have a friend who stands ready to give any deserving boy a membership in the Y. M. C. A. if he cannot afford to pay for it himself. Do you know anybody between twelve and fifteen years of age whom you would like to recommend? The same privilege will be accorded any working boy for a course in the night school.

PARISH HOUSE AND INTERIOR OF CHURCH REPAINTED.

The exterior of the Parish House and the interior of the church have been repainted during the past summer. The woodwork on the Parish House exterior has also been repainted and put in good repair. The appearance of the interior of the church has been greatly improved by the beautiful color scheme on the wall. It is hoped that the chancel will be re-decorated in the near future and also that the present color of the pews will be "toned down" to harmonize with the wall and the choir stalls in the chancel. Can this not be done during the next summer?

ARREARS IN ENVELOPES.

Will all persons who are in arrears in their envelope offering, owing to absence from the city or other causes, please enclose the amount due in the envelope of present date and place same on the plate, as soon as possible? Credit will then be given on the books of the Parish.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

For our Summer Session this year, we followed a new plan, and instead of the usual School in the Parish House, we attended church, making ourselves familiar with the morning service and had a 5 minute sermon of our own. We think the plan was a success as we averaged 75 present, which was

more than the year before and we hope to repeat it next year.

Although this is only October 1st, most of our scholars have made up the arrears of their envelopes due to Summer absence. We hope the few who have not done so will read this and that they will make good within the next two weeks so we can start right for the years work.

A word as to our plans, we are losing 3 or 4 teachers due to getting married, moving away or illness, but we hope by next week to have their places filled. We wish Miss Emily Dean all happiness through her married life and welcome Miss Mayette, who has so kindly offered to take over her work.

On Sunday, October 10th, we are going to have a special service in the church and to have as many parents as well as Church members present as possible. Our first missionary work this fall is to prepare for our Thanksgiving party; we gave Mr. Amos last year over 400 cans and packages of food for the poor and this year he says he will need much more; so let us make it 600 and the way to do it is to begin now to get ready for it.

We will have some more to say about our plans in the next issue of The Chimes.

R. H. M.

IS IT WOMEN'S DUTY TO VOTE?

The question will be raised in the minds of many women who have been either opposed or indifferent to suffrage, whether this Amendment makes it their duty to vote. It is said that duties never conflict. That is true only because when duties do seem to conflict one must choose which has the superior claim, then the other ceases to be a duty. Generally speaking, duties of the home take precedence over duties of the church or of the State. Madame Guyon made a mistake when she left her children in order to devote herself to "religion." It is never a duty to vote unintelligently. If any man finds it impossible to fulfill his duties to his home and to his children and take the necessary time to acquaint himself with the issues in the election and to make his vote an expression of his intelligent will, it is better for him to neglect the ballot-box than his home. Such a case will be rare, but the principle holds true; and this is equally true of woman. No woman need to condemn herself

if she finds that home duties make the fulfillment of her political task impracticable for her. But in so far as it is possible, every woman should take up the task which this amendment lays upon her, acquaint herself with the pending issues, and vote in accordance with her best judgment.—The Outlook.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PRAYER.

The Rector calls the attention of members of the parish to the Service of Evening Prayer, which is said in the church on Friday afternoons at five o'clock. More of our people should avail themselves of this quiet, simple weekly service. It is most helpful to those who attend and it is hoped its helpfulness may be extended to a greater number than at present attend. Persons who wish special prayers or intercession for themselves or for friends, may send their requests anonymously if so desired—to the Rector and they will be remembered at this Service.

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Fond of our work, of our friends, of our land;
Walking by faith, daily led by God's hand;
This is the pathway the saints all have trod,
This is the life hid with Christ's life in God."

The Kingdom of God is more than a Kingdom. It is more than a society. It is a LIVING ORGANISM — a body — a living, growing, thinking, feeling, working body. The man inside is a member of that body, and partakes of its force, its blood, its life.

WHERE CHARACTER IS FORMED.

Moody said, "Character is what you are in the dark." The foundation of all good character is laid in prayerful meditation in the closet. The closet is the power house where the storage battery of character is charged. Habits of nature are formed in a persevering struggle through temptation. "Our greatest glory consists not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." The hour of temptation is the critical hour in a man's life, to test the metal he is made of. A man is either stronger or weaker after he has been tempted. If he has met and conquered the temptation he is a stronger man, and will more easily defeat the next temptation. If he has met and been defeated by his temptation, he is a weaker man and more susceptible.

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The Rector's Notes

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6.00 to 8.00 P. M. "

Publication of the "Chimes"

Owing to change of publishers, the issuance of the CHIMES has been delayed this month. It is hoped that hereafter the CHIMES will be published regularly on the third Sunday in the month. All parish societies must have their copy in hand at least one week before date of publication. This number of the CHIMES does not contain the usual monthly reports of the Parish Guilds, on account of the uncertainty of the date of publication. Other matters of importance are also omitted. The next issue of the CHIMES will have some important announcements.



With this issue begins the twenty-first volume of the CHIMES. In other words, the CHIMES has been published continuously, without any omission, for twenty successive years. This is a long and honorable record. Only they who have had experience in such work realize the amount of labor and patience required. It is purely a labor of love. The price of subscription, fifty cents a year, has remained the same, notwithstanding the cost of publication has been tripled. The CHIMES, therefore, depends not only upon the subscriptions but also upon the generous contributions of the members of the congregation. New subscriptions and contributions will be welcomed with this number.

Without the generous support of the advertisers the expense of publication of the CHIMES could not be met. The firms whose advertisements appear in the CHIMES have been selected as representing the best and most reliable in their respective lines of business in Germantown. Readers of the CHIMES are asked to look over the list of advertisers and to patronize these firms whenever possible.



The ecclesiastical year commences on Advent Sunday, which is always the nearest Sunday to St. Andrew's Day (November 30th). Hence, the latter is sometimes at the beginning, sometimes at the end of the ecclesiastical year. The first part—from Advent to Trinity—is devoted to a commemoration of the various events in the early life of our Saviour, which formed part of His great work, viz.: His Incarnation Manifestation to the Gentiles, Fasting and Temptation, Crucifixion, Resurrection and Ascension; the Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and the Revelation of the great mystery of Trinity.

The second part of the year—from Trinity onward—is appropriated to a consideration of our practical duties as members of Christ, founded on those doctrines in which we have previously been instructed. Hence, we have a complete cycle of Christian teaching for the

year, independent of the instruction received from the pulpit. The advantages thus secured are obvious. The congregation is not left entirely dependent on the teaching of the preacher and yet the latter has suggested to him subjects of discourse to which he may return year after year without fear of exhausting them.



Advent is a season of self-examination and earnest prayer. Whilst we commemorate the first coming of our Blessed Lord and meditate on His second, we are thus prepared for the right enjoyment of the approaching festival of the Nativity. The Collects, Epistles and Gospels are appointed with a view to this. The Collects may be said to form a series. In them Christ is alluded to as coming (1) in Person, (2) in His Word, (3) by His ministers and (4) by His Spirit. The Epistles are explanatory of the Collects. The Gospels are (1) a parable, so to speak, of Christ's coming to judge, (2) a description of that coming, (3) our Lord's testimony to John the Baptist as the herald of His first coming, (4) John's testimony concerning himself.



ST. ANDREW'S DAY—This is one of the most ancient of the festivals commemorative of the Apostles. It may fall either at the beginning or the end of the ecclesiastical year, but generally it is the former.

There is a certain propriety in St. Andrew being commemorated first of all the Apostles, he having been one of the first to follow Christ. See John i, 40. Hence his ancient name of Protocletos (First Called). He is remarkable, too, as having been the first of the Apostles who did missionary work; he brought his own brother Simon to Christ. This fact also may have had something to do with the place given to him in the calendar; certainly it seems to have governed the choice of the Epistle, which contains St. Paul's great missionary argument, ver. 11-16. The Gospel is the account of his formal call. He was crucified by

order of Aegeas, Pro-Consul of Achaia, after having been terribly scourged. The cross on which he was bound (not nailed) is generally affirmed to have been in the shape of the letter X.



The Festival of St. Thomas, which occurs on the 21st of this month, is of very ancient date. The Collect has the leading idea drawn from a Homily of St. Gregory, when he says: "That by this doubting of St. Thomas we are more confirmed in our belief than by the faith of the other Apostles." It is recorded by Eusebius that after the day of Pentecost and the gift of tongues, the Apostles were scattered abroad, and that St. Thomas was sent to the Parthians, Medes, Persians and Chaldeans, founding churches among them till he penetrated into India. The Christians of St. Thomas, a remarkable religious community, still bear witness to his labors in that distant land; they are settled along the Malabar coast of the Indian peninsula. To the north also there seem to be relics of the Christian faith preached by St. Thomas mixed with the strange religion of Thibet. St. Thomas was martyred at a place called Taprobane. Having been at first assailed with stones, he was at last killed by the thrust of a spear, thus offering a comparison to the words of our Lord to him: "Reach hither thy hand and thrust it into my side." It was not granted to St. Thomas to have his courageous aspirations fulfilled to die with Christ, but to die for His cause. It is related that the Portuguese found an ancient inscription in Meliapore, purporting that St. Thomas had been pierced with a lance at the foot of a cross, which he had erected in that city, and that in 1523 A. D. his body was found there and transported to Goa. It would appear that St. Thomas traveled farther than any of the Apostles, and preached to various nations of different languages, showing that as his incredulity was great, so was his faith great in proportion. When painted alone or with the other Apostles, his attribute is always a builder's rule or square, and for this reason he is called the patron of architects and builders.

Behold! Thy King Cometh

It seems very natural to us to ask why the account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday should be read as the Gospel for Advent Sunday. At first sight it looks very like a displacement of the Gospel history, for on Advent Sunday we are thinking of the two extreme points, if we may so term them, of the relationship which the Lord Jesus bears to us, the one of His coming to take our nature upon Him nineteen centuries ago, and the other when He shall come to judge us hereafter; when we suddenly find ourselves in the very midst of His earthly life, at nothing less than its crisis, when He has wrought his greatest recorded miracle, and is consciously on His way to die. What, then, we feel inclined to ask, is the connection between this entry into Jerusalem and Christ's advent, whether on the occasion of His taking our nature upon Himself, or His still future advent, in the clouds of heaven, as Judge of the quick and dead? Might it not have been better, we may ask, as is the case in some of the churches of Christendom, to have chosen the Gospel for today from some passage in which our Lord describes His second coming, such, for instance, as the Gospel for Sunday next? This is what some of us may think, but these old liturgical arrangements were made by people who knew very well what they were about. They have been continued to our day, because they have been found, by the experience of some thirteen or fourteen centuries, to have a deep lesson for the human soul.

This Gospel is chosen because it brings before us two great truths; not only that of the first coming of our Divine Saviour into the world but of His coming to the judgment. Passages of Scripture describing either of these momentous events would be obviously appropriate, but to do justice to the solemn time upon which we now enter we require to keep these two truths clearly before the eye of the soul.



Christmas Giving and Buying

It not infrequently happens that the spirit of the world seizes upon Christian

festivals and perverts them from their original purposes and to some extent makes them evils rather than the un-mixed blessings they were intended to be. Holy days have too often become mere holidays and anything but holy to many of those observing them. Christmas has suffered especially through the exaggerated development of the originally harmless custom of exchanging gifts at that season, which has now reached the point where the custom has become a burden to many, giving pleasure neither to the giver nor the recipient, and, because of the tendency of the great majority of shoppers to put off their purchases until the last day or hours, Christmas has become for the shopkeepers and their employees the most dreaded season of the year. It is certainly lamentable that the observance of the anniversary of the coming of God's Son to earth, as a pledge of God's good will to men, should bring anything but peace and joy to any of His children; and as the Episcopal Church in this country has had more influence than any other religious body in preserving the festival of Christmas and bringing about its general observance (not any of the denominations, a generation ago, held religious services on Christmas—some do not today), the Church should take the lead in all proper efforts to make Christmas a religious festival, a happy time for all and a hard time for none. Two movements deserve the support of Church people—that represented by the Society for Preventing Useless Giving at Christmas and the "shop early" movement. The latter movement accomplished a great deal last Christmas in lightening the labors of thousands of salespeople, and should accomplish even more this year not only in the great cities but in the smaller towns as well. To endeavor to bear one another's burdens is to fulfill the law of Christ.



The Power of Worship

Bishop Brent, of Western New York, in his Convention address, pleaded with his clergy to be spiritual leaders, to unveil God to the people, to draw men

PARISH NOTES

Christ Church Chimes

Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

to their knees. And then he dwelt upon the power of worship:

"Worship of the mysterious and yet simple God is the greatest and most vital activity of human life, coloring and invigorating and giving point to all other activities. Worship is languishing with us, in part, I think, because we have tried to make our services attractive to men, instead of attractive to God, and partly because we try to give to men, by preaching, a knowledge of God that can best come through worship in sacrament and prayer. I am assured by those who have a right to speak that our churches are frequented more than formerly by people who know the meaning and value of worship.

For more than two years I have been going in and out of the churches in France. Those churches are places of worship through which a ceaseless stream of worshippers flow—the brave poilu, in his war-stained and faded blue uniform, the little children, the sad-faced widow and the aged peasant. They go to meet God. There may be no service to join in, no preacher to listen to, but they know God is in His holy temple always, and they are well content to talk to Him and be talked to by Him.

"Two years ago last Sunday I went to the little village of Neuilly-sur-Suize in the afternoon. There was the sound of singing in the little sixteenth century church on the hill, which I often visited. The cure was away at the war, but all the villagers were there singing vespers. They were gathered to pay homage in worship to the ever-present God.

A TOUCHING ILLUSTRATION

"A colonial chaplain tells of an incident from his experience in the Amiens Cathedral. 'Presently,' he says, 'my eyes caught sight of two figures a dozen yards away to the right—a little before me, but not so much that I could not see their faces. They were sitting perfectly still, hand in hand, and one could read their story plainly enough. She was a young woman of the poorer class, but well dressed, and he was a soldier in the uni-

form of the French line, and, what was more, his whole kit was there, significantly, too. I have no doubt whatever that they had slipped into the Cathedral on the way to the station.

"As I watched, she said something, and knelt forward on the prie-Dieu before her. He stood up, as the French soldier does. Then she began to pray for him to hear, and I could catch a murmur. His eyes were fixed on the altar, and never wavered from first to last, but she hid hers in her hands after a little. Also her voice rose with the passion of her prayer, and soon one knew that she was weeping. At last, she prayed loudly enough for me to catch the words, in French, of course, but I could understand that well-known prayer, and marvel at the simplicity of her so slight change in it.

"Soul of Christ, sanctify him;

Body of Christ, save him . . ."

So she went on, until:

"Within Thy wounds hide him,"

she cried, and could say no more for sobs.

"And while I saw dimly and waited for I knew not what, when the man's voice broke calmly and steadily in, without even a hint of passion or of fear:

"In the hour of my death, call me
And bid me come to Thee,
That with Thy saints I may praise Thee
For ever and ever. Amen."

"And then, like the victor that he was, there, in God's house, and all unashamed before His High Majesty, he lifted the woman to her feet and turned her face to his, and kissed her long upon the lips.

"Oh, my God, how fine a thing can human nature be! It was no disgrace for You to share it. It has that in it which can look across the worst that earth can do, and gather up its dearest into its arms, and go forward—to You."

"May God teach us how to worship, that others, too, may worship Him in spirit and in truth."

The Value of Parish Work to the Worker

There is a very great value in parish work to the worker. One who stands on the outside and has not "part nor lot" in the activities of the parish—is merely named on the register as "belonging to the parish"—cannot realize that a very real value to the individual exists.

The word "work" to the uninitiated all too often means something arduous, something to be avoided; but when one considers that work and happiness are inseparable, it is strange more do not find their work and their happiness. Each individual member of a parish bears a responsibility for a certain part of the Church's work, and has a talent intended for use. A great deal depends upon the use made of opportunities.

Activity creates interest. As there can be no activity without mind and body, so there can be no interest without heart. As soon as this factor enters, it all ceases to be work in the popular meaning of the term, and great good comes to the worker—in happiness derived, the feeling of being necessary to the great whole, the sense of power and dependableness; all of which will be found to work out in this wise—that the more one does the greater the desire grows to do something more.

Then comes a deepening and broadening of character—a worker must look upon the world differently. Coming into close relation with fellow-workers gives a wider outlook. Too many to mention are the elements for the strengthening and upbuilding of character which enter in this contact. They extend soul-deep.

It has been said: "What we pray for we work for," and as truly it can be said, what we work for we pray for; and what we work and pray for we stand for; here is a test of our loyalty and a deepening of our spiritual life.

Parish work done with any right motive must have its value; but many times is that value increased if there is a deep, underlying sense for WHOM it is all done, a belief in the Church and the

fundamental principles for which the Church stands. Then, with the growth in character and influence, there will be also a splendid growth in true Churchmanship; ideals will be higher, and there will come the "Vision."



A COURSE OF ADVENT SERMONS "The State of the Dead"

The Rector will deliver a course of four sermons on the Sunday evenings in Advent on the subject, "*The State of the Dead*." The course will begin on Sunday evening, November 28th. The subjects treated in the course will be as follows:

Sunday, November 28th—"Where Does the Soul Go After Death?"

Sunday, December 5th—"Is There Another Chance After Death?"

Sunday, December 12th—"Does the Bible Teach Eternal Punishment?"

Sunday, December 19th—"Where is Heaven?"

There will be special Advent music. The service will begin at 7.45.



Kalendar for December

December 5—Second Sunday in Advent.
December 12—Third Sunday in Advent.
December 19—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
December 21—St. Thomas.
December 25—CHRISTMAS.
December 26—St. Stephen.
December 27—St. John Evangelist.
December 28—Holy Innocents.



Confirmation Lectures

In January the Rector will begin a course of lectures on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. All who are contemplating Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. If any have not yet come to a decision and wish to confer with the Rector on the subject he may be seen after any service in Church or by appointment at the Rectory. It is impor-

tant that the names of those who are to be confirmed be enrolled as soon as possible. The dates of the meetings of the class will be announced in the next issue of the CHIMES.



Church Kalendars for 1921

A limited quantity of the usual Church Kalendars will be on sale with the venger on the first week in December. These Kalendars should be in every home in the parish. At the top of the Kalendar is a cut of Christ Church, a list of the services, etc. The holy days of the Church year are marked by their appropriate colors. The proper lessons for Sundays and holy days, together with the proper psalms, will be found on the back of the Kalendars. They are appropriate for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Price, 35 cents each.



Contributions for Christmas Greens

The members of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew will decorate the Church for Christmas. The Altar Society, assisted by the St. Christopher Guild, will be responsible for the altars. Members of the congregation are asked to contribute for the expenses of the Christmas decorations. Contributions may be given or sent to Mr. Richard H. Morris, 6604 Wayne avenue.



The Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary, the missionary society of the Church, is now holding its regular meetings on the third Thursday of each month. Every woman in the congregation is given this opportunity to help in carrying out Christ's work on earth.

We need your help. If you like to sew, come to the morning session, which starts at half-past 10, and help sew for some charitable object. We bring our lunches with us, and the lunch hour is a very sociable and enjoyable part of the day's program.

At 2 o'clock comes the business meeting, when we hear reports from the mission fields and try to devise some way to raise money to help these devoted workers. This has been most discouraging, as we have received help from comparatively few women in the congregation. At our last meeting it was decided to ask every one to lay aside a certain sum every week and bring it to the Auxiliary meeting on the third Thursday of the month. Envelopes are to be provided, and we earnestly hope that we will meet with a hearty response. No matter how small your offering, it will help in spreading Christ's kingdom on earth. Every woman in the parish is urged to attend these monthly meetings. We guarantee that it will be a most interesting and uplifting experience.

A. F. W.



Illustrated Talk on the "Near East"

For many years the people of America have been interested in the conditions existing in that portion of the world known as the "Near East." This interest has been deeply intensified by the World War, and "Bundle Day," just a few weeks ago, doubtless gave many of us an opportunity to develop that interest into personal service.

At the request of the Men's Bible Class, Charles E. Beury, Esq., will give a talk on the "Near East," in the Parish House, on Friday evening, December 10th, at 8 o'clock, illustrated with colored lantern slides.

Mr. Beury has made two trips to this territory in connection with the American Red Cross Relief Commission—one in 1917 and the other in 1919—and thus is able to give information and description from personal experience. During his stay in these countries Mr. Beury took a number of photographs, from which lantern slides have been made, and he has kindly consented to give the people of Christ Church an opportunity of seeing these views and to hear something of his experiences.

The Men's Class cordially invites the men and women of our Parish to be present at this interesting and instructive lecture, for which no admission will be charged, and trusts that appreciation of Mr. Beury's kindness will be expressed by the large attendance—Friday, December 10th.

H. J.



The Sunday School

With the near approach of those seasons which especially appeal to our Sunday School, Thanksgiving and Christmas, the school is looking forward to making this year one of greater accomplishment than heretofore.

Since the resumption of the regular sessions, after the interesting services in the Church during the summer, the attendance has been gradually rising to our old standard, but there are still some who have not yet returned to their Sunday School home, and just at this time when home reunions are uppermost in the thoughts of so many, would it not be both pleasurable and profitable to have a genuine reunion of all those who are or have been connected with the school?

The invitation is extended to all our former scholars, and especially to those who have recently forgotten either the time or place, to come see what kind of a school is now being held in the Parish House at 9.45 each Sunday morning.

The welcome is already prepared, and it has been made so broad as to cover not only scholars but older folks as well, even if the latter only come as a matter of interest.

By the time this is read the Thanksgiving party will be a matter of history for the school, but we hope it will be a continuing remembrance of the school throughout the winter by the generous gifts which the members are to bring for the needy of the Parish.

Christmas is not so far off, and already plans are being made for the Christmas services and the festivals, and before long the melodies of Christmas carols

will be sounding through the school as the scholars commence practicing for their part in the services.

During this fall, and, we hope, continuing throughout the winter, a very helpful feature has been added to our regular course. This is the brief review of the important points of the lesson and drilling in familiarity with the Bible, conducted each Sunday morning by the Rector, and the ready and hearty responses by the scholars are ample evidence of their appreciation of this method and character of instruction.

Our present appeal is for teachers, and to any who have the opportunity the Superintendent can readily show how interesting the work may be made.

There is also ample room in the school for your boy or your girl.

Whichever it is, is he or she there on Sunday morning?

Will you help us by helping him or her to be there next Sunday morning at 9.45 sharp?

U. G. R.



Religious training lasts—forever. Physical training and mental training last only for a time. The one trains the soul, the other flesh and blood—perishing materials. Which deserves the greatest attention? Christ said, "Seek first the Kingdom of God"—seek it for your child as well as yourself.



Altar Guild

The duties of the Altar Guild remain the same throughout the year, but we have resumed our regular monthly business meetings on the second Monday of each month. We regret the absence of our president, Mrs. Baremore, due to illness, but hope soon to have her with us again. The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

December 3-10—Misses Manser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

December 10-17—Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien, Parker.

December 17-24—Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

December 24-31—Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

G. F. D.



Girls' Friendly Society

On Tuesday night, November 2nd, the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church gave an entertainment under the title of "The Friendly Frolic," for the small amount of 25 cents a ticket. We had an audience which filled the Church School room, each one having come with the same old feeling of martyrdom—that of resignation of sitting through a poky entertainment. Agreeable surprises are always delightful, and we certainly gave that patient audience the surprise of its life.

The programme was opened by a violin solo by Mr. Boltright, a master, indeed, of his instrument, followed by a monologue by Mrs. Coryell, in which she was assisted by our eminent physician-vestryman, Dr. William N. Johnson. Mrs. Coryell kept the audience in peals of laughter, and received a rousing encore.

Other than these two able assistants, the rest of the programme was efficiently rendered by the members of our branch. Two soloists, a recitation, interpretative dancing and a final chorus, accompanied by dancing. The pianist-accompanist was also one of our famous branch.

After the close of the performance the audience was invited to the gymnasium, where music was furnished for dancing by two of our young men from the Church School.

We were all overwhelmed with congratulations at the enjoyable evening we had given, even to the extent of asking us to repeat it, that those who were unfortunate enough to miss it might have a chance to enjoy such a worthwhile affair.

The members of the Girls' Friendly Society wish through the CHIMES to express their heartfelt thanks for the expressions of praise at their maiden efforts, and you may hear from us again.

L. J. J.



Men's Bible Class

At the annual election of officers of the Men's Bible Class, held on Thursday evening, November 18th, the following were elected:

President, Fred Lennig; first vice-president, Dr. C. Courtney; second vice-president, James Carmint, Jr.; treasurer, Frank Wilcox; secretary, Robert Feist.

After the election the evening was spent in a social way, and refreshments were served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of this class.



Subscribers and Contributors to the "Chimes"

The CHIMES begs to acknowledge subscriptions and contributions from persons whose names follow. The letter "s" denotes subscription; the letter "c" denotes contribution received.

cMrs. Baisbrown, cMrs. James H. Eckersley, cMrs. William C. Johnson, cCharles Heyer, sOscar Van Buskirk, sMrs. Florence Merwin, sMrs. Mogridge, sMiss Mogridge, sMrs. Sickle, cMiss Katherine Scudder, sMrs. Ellen Wilcox, sMrs. Longstreth, sMrs. Grube, cFred Lennig, sJ. Carmint, Jr., cMrs. Robinson, sMr. Baremore, cMiss Atkins, cMr. Bains, cMr. Rowley, cMr. Morrison, sMrs. Clara Reed, cMiss T. Johnson, cMrs. Pinkerton, sMr. Cotton, cMr. Baxter, cMrs. Parker, cMrs. Moyer, sMr. Hannan, cMrs. Wilcox, sMiss Pickney, cMr. Falkner, Mrs. John Hamilton.

Happiness eludes every searcher for it, but comes quickly and abundantly to the one who seeks to bestow it upon someone else. The searcher for happiness may get wealth, and power, and fame, but none of these advantage will avail anything in getting happiness. Even from friends it cannot be obtained, for happiness comes from what is **given out** rather than from what is gathered in. Loving, unselfish service, the persistent, enthusiastic effort day by day to bring sweetness, light, comfort and goodness into the lives of others, will surely bring happiness into the life of any man, woman or child. No sorrow of heart, no doubt of the future, no restlessness or aimlessness of the present, no loneliness or bitterness of soul, but will yield and be resolved into joy and peace and purpose as soon as the days are filled with labors of love—as soon as the eagerness to get happiness is replaced by an eagerness to give it to others.



Christ's Practice of Prayer

1. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **teaching and healing**, for "great multitudes came together to hear and be healed," but He withdrew Himself into the desert and prayed. Lu. 5:15, 16.

2. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **rest**, for "in the morning a great while before day He rose up and went out and departed into a desert place and there prayed." Mark 1:35.

3. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **sleep**, for "He went out into the mountain to pray and He continued all night in prayer to God." Lu. 6:12.

4. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than the **working of miracles**, for instead of working a miracle to deliver Peter He said, "I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not." Lu. 22:32.

5. To our Lord PRAYER was more important in securing workers than either **money or machinery**, for

He said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest." Matt. 9:38.

6. To our Lord PRAYER was more important to be taught than **preaching**, for He taught men to pray, but we have no record that He ever taught them to preach. Matt. 6:5-15.

7. To our Lord PRAYER is more important than all other ministries, for "He ever liveth to **make intercession** for us." Heb. 7:25.

The earthly ministry of our Lord was begun in **prayer** (Luke 3:21), continued in **prayer** and ended in **prayer** (Luke 23:34).

The heavenly ministry of our Lord was begun in prayer (John 14:16, "I will"), and is now continued in prayer (Heb. 7:25).

The lack of prayer is the secret of the Christian's lack of strength, of courage, of inspiration. The lack of prayer is the secret of the failure of the members of the church to measure up to their Christian responsibilities. The lack of prayer is the secret of the falling away into indifference, into worldliness, into sin, of many who formerly led upright Christian lives and rendered faithful Christian service.

Private prayer, alone, in one's room, at one's bedside.

Public prayer, with one's fellow-men, with God's people, in God's House. Private and public prayer, both of these are necessary for the soul's growth, for the soul's unselfish service to God and man. "When thou prayest enter into thy closet," said our Lord. He also said: "**My house** (temple) shall be called of all nations the House of Prayer."

And the apostle reminds us, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is." It is this "forsaking" of prayer, either of private or public or both, that is the cause of the low ebb of our Christian life; that is the cause of our heartless Christian service. Let us bring back into our lives Christ's practice of prayer.

We Belong to a Church, Not a Parish

We are accustomed to hear the word "Church" applied to a local congregation. We use it loosely ourselves in the same way. But with us, speaking accurately, the Church is our entire communion. The local organization is simply a parish, an outpost, a garrison. A garrison in an outpost does not think of itself as the army. A ship is not the navy. A local postoffice is not the postoffice department. The visit of the Bishop reminds us that we belong to a Church, not to a parish; that we are part of the army, not simply a garrison; that we are enlisted in the navy, not in a ship. The Bishop is the outward and visible sign that we belong to a great, historic, age-long, world-wide institution, which has outposts everywhere, and that we have all its resources back of us and its power within us. Confirmation is not administered by the rector of the parish, who represents only the local congregation. It is administered by the Bishop, who represents the entire Church. We are admitted, therefore, into the communion not of the local congregation or parish. The Bishop's act accomplishes something far wider than that. We are taken into the communion and fellowship of the entire Church throughout the world, including every parish, mission, outpost or garrison under the Church's jurisdiction. That is why we are Churchmen, not Congregationalists. That is why it is that our imagination is stirred and our enthusiasm is kindled by the world-wide institution more than by the local organization. For while we are registered in and attached to a given parish, our citizenship is in the all-including Church.



Epiphany

Epiphany is twelve days after Christmas. In olden times it was often called "twelfth night."

The story of the Epiphany, telling us of the coming of the Magi, who were supposed to be kings, from the Far Eastern country, is the description

of the ultimate triumph of the Gospel of the Incarnation, when the nations of men will come with their richest treasures to lay them at the feet of the Christ Child.

In the old Liturgies the Epiphany is called the Feast of Lights.

There is still a ceremony of the Eastern Church, in which all the worshippers come to Church on this day with waxen tapers. The priest first lights his taper from the candles that are burning on the Altar. He then transmits the holy flame to the people, who pass it on from worshipper to worshipper, until the whole edifice is ablaze with the symbolic radiance.

Christ is the Light of the World. But He shines not merely as a great independent luminary above all men's eyes, but in the thousands of lesser lights which are continually kindling in others the flame of devotion to Him.



Three Holy Days after Christmas

Three days following Christmas are dedicated to three sacred events: First, on December 26th, is commemorated The Martyrdom of St. Stephen. This day has been commemorated since the fourth century. In the Greek Church the Festival is a day later than it is in ours. In addition to the reasons given above for its position in the Calendar, it has been said that "Christ was born on earth in order that Stephen might be born in heaven." Thus this, the anniversary of his martyrdom, is also, in a higher sense, the anniversary of his birth.

On December 27th occurs The Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Then we remember the fisherman John, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the brother of James, the partner in the earthly business of Simon and Andrew; and we see what grace made him. We remember how he was called and obeyed the call; how he abode with Christ after the tenth hour on that memorable day; how he became a fisher of men; how he was styled a son of thunder; how he was admitted to be the beloved disciple; how he leaned on that bosom;

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title 11: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

.....
Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

how he stood by the cross; how he made it is his business to house the Virgin-mother; how he grew and expanded and was perfected, waxed riper, and more and more reflected the image of his Master, received and diffused light; how he suffered for the truth; had heaven opened to him at Patmos, and tarried to such an old age that men thought he would live on till Christ came, all the time doing his Lord's work, ordering the Church after his Lord's mind, teaching, reclaiming, ruling, refuting error, declaring the truth by word and writing to the end.

On December 28th is celebrated the Martyrdom of the Innocents, which was anciently commemorated at the Epiphany; the date of its first observance as a separate festival is not known. The Innocents have always been regarded by the Church as martyrs, they having, though unwittingly, shed their blood for Christ. (See St. Matt. 2:16-17.)



The Star

Once upon a time Almighty God placed in the heavens a new and wonderful star and—mystery beyond all other mysteries—revealed it only unto kings.

Nobody saw that star except the kings; but they set out to follow whither it would lead, and it led them straight to the manger in which lay the new-born Child, who came to reign over them in love.

Now comes again the time of the Star and the time of the Child.

There is no path to peace but the path through which the Star will lead.

The nations tried another path; and it led away from peace.



Who Can Answer These Questions?

Not everyone who considers himself a "good Churchman" is thoroughly acquainted with the contents of the Prayer Book. No one who has not thoroughly studied the Prayer Book and knows something, at least, of its history, can be considered a "good Churchman."

As an incentive to the study of the contents of the Prayer Book the following list of questions has been arranged. The answer of every question in the list may be found in the Prayer Book. How many scholars in the Church School, how many persons in the Parish, are able to answer them all?

The Rector will present a copy of the new (revised) Church Hymnal to any member of the Church School and a subscriber to the CHIMES, who will write out in full the correct answers to the following questions, stating, if possible, the page in the Prayer Book where the answer may be found.

All papers must be sent to the Rector before the first Sunday in January. Here are the questions:

From what date has the American Prayer Book been used?

Was the whole present book set forth for use at the same time?

What part of the book was added last?

What Psalms are said on the 31st day of the month?

When is the Venite not to be said in Morning Prayer?

Where is it indicated that the people should not join in saying a Psalm?

What other name is given to the Sixth Sunday in Lent?

When is Holy Thursday?

How is Easter found each year?

How do you find the "Golden Number" or "Prime"?

If the President or Governor should fail to appoint Thanksgiving Day what would the Church observe?

What Feast has three tithes?

What Collect, Epistle and Gospel are ordinarily said on a week day?

What Sunday Collect may be used for only three days?

Which Collects are addressed to our Lord?

What days have two Collects, Epistles and Gospels?

When must the Nicene Creed be said?

When must the Creed be said in interrogative form?

Is there anything in the Communion Office to indicate that the people should stay until the end of the service?

If the Bishop is present in the Chancel at the Communion, what part of the service must he take?

Where may the Communion Table be placed if not in the Chancel?

In what service is the word "Altar" used?

When does the sermon come before the Communion Office?

Where is the Holy Communion called the "Eucharist?"

Who is directed to control the music?

Why should a Bishop be able to sing?

Where is given permission to sing an anthem?

To what person in the Trinity are most of the petitions addressed?

Where are the prayers appointed to be said by single persons who cannot meet with others?

What prayers are directed to be said by either a man or a woman?

What prayer is named for a Saint?

How many forms of Absolution are given? Of Blessings?

What methods of Baptism are allowed?

How soon are parents told to bring their children to Baptism?

If a sick child, baptized at home, should live, what ought to be done?

How are adults told to prepare themselves for Baptism?

If a child should not know his Catechism, what should the parents do?

How is the Priest to know if any one is sick?

Where is it said that "from the Apostles' time there have been three orders of ministry—Bishops, Priests and Deacons?"

How long must a Deacon remain in office?

How is a Bishop to be addressed in Divine Service?

When does a Minister enter upon a service without being completely vested?

Where is the Lord's Prayer directed to be said by the Minister alone?

At what services only is it directed that there shall be a sermon?

What Rubric directs how a woman should be dressed?

When is the Te Deum allowed as a special act of thanksgiving?

Upon what three occasions may a member of the congregation interrupt the service?

Where do you find directions that the officiant pause, so that the people may make secret prayer?

In what service is it required to have the keys of the church?

In what prayer is reference made to the Apostolic Succession?

How far does the American Church intend to depart from the Church of England?

What Holy Days have no special evening service?



Kalendar for January

January 1st—Circumcision.

January 2nd—Second Sunday after Christmas.

January 6th—Epiphany.

January 9th—First Sunday after Epiphany.

January 16th—Second Sunday after Epiphany.

January 23rd—Septuagesima Sunday.

January 25th—Conversion of St. Paul.

January 30th—Sexagesima Sunday.



Services on Christmas Day

The services on Christmas Day will be Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.; Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon, 11.00 A. M. An at-all service will be Clergy Pension Fund. The annual assessment of Christ Church for this worthy object is \$315.00. A special envelope for the Pension Fund will be found in the package of envelopes. Persons who may be absent from services on Christmas Day are asked to give their offering at a subsequent service.

"While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith." Gal. 6:10.



Christmas Music

The music on Christmas Day will include the following:

Processional Hymn 56—"Christian, awake! Salute the happy morn."

Venite—Savage.

Te Deum in F.—Tours.

Kyrie Eleison—Steane.

Gloria Tibi—Steane.

Hymn 51—"Hark, the herald angels sing!"

Offertory Anthem—"It came upon the midnight clear"—Sullivan.

Sursum Corda—Camidge.

Ter Sanctus—Steane.

Hymn.

Gloria in Excelsis—Steane.

Retrocessional 49—"Oh, come, all ye faithful."



Church School's Christmas Service

The Christmas service of the Church Schools will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 26th, at 3.30. In addition to the singing of the Christmas Carols, a "Pageant" will be given in the Church, entitled "Advance the Line."

This "Pageant" or "Religious Drama" will be an impressive and reverent presentation of vital Christian teachings. Those who take part in the "Pageant" will represent "the Verger," "the Messenger," "Soul of the Parish, and three Angels," "The Spirit of Love and Light," "The Spirit of Love and Faith," "The Spirit of Love and Obedience."



Christmas Greens

Persons who wish to contribute to the Christmas decorations of the Church are asked to give or send their contributions to Richard H. Morris, 6460 Wayne Avenue.



Midnight Service in Christ Church

The usual midnight service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at eleven o'clock. The Church will be open all evening for private devotion.

On New Year's Day—"Feast of the Circumcision"—there will be celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.



Confirmation Class Forming

All persons who desire to join the Confirmation Class are requested to give their names to the Rector. Classes are now forming and instructions on Confirmation will soon be given by the Rector. Any who wish to confer with the Rector on the subject of Confirmation may do so after any service or by appointment.



The Women's Auxiliary

The next meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held on Thursday, December 16th. These are "all-day meetings," from 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M. The members bring their lunch with them to the Parish House. The mornings are devoted to sewing for missions. At two o'clock reports are read from the delegates and general business is transacted. At three o'clock some missionary or other speaker generally addresses the meeting.

It is hoped that more women in the Parish will attend these meetings. The January meeting will be held Thursday, January 20th, the third Thursday of every month. Come for all or any part of the day.



Men's Bible Class Has Found Itself!

Due to the combined efforts of the new Officers and several untiring Committeemen the Class is once again on a firm foundation and taking an active part in the welfare of the Parish.

President Frederick Lennig certainly is a hustler and, with Treasurer Frank Wilcox, make a pair that can't be beaten—results show this as the Class is growing every week. Last Sunday we had forty-three members present and this week expect to go above the fifty mark.

Not only is the attendance growing but the various functions which the Class is going to hold show that it is not asleep.

First of all, there is the Illustrated Lecture on the "Near East," by Charles E. Beury, Esq., Friday evening, December 10th. No admission will be charged and everyone is welcomed to attend.

On Thursday, December 16th, the Class will give a Christmas Party. According to Mr. Cotton this will be the best ever held. So, men, don't miss it—everyone will receive a present.

On Sunday, December 19th, we are going to visit our former teacher, the Reverend Richard Gurley, at Radnor, Pa., at which place we will have dinner after attending the Church services. Automobiles will be ready at 2.30 P. M. to take us over. Mr. Gurley will be glad to see all who care to go.

Several other functions are being considered and discussed, full details of which will be given in the next issue.

All men welcomed to our Class! Meets Sunday mornings, 9.45.

HERBERT A. FEIST,
Secretary.

Girls' Friendly Society

We have been having such wonderful meetings of the Friendly on Tuesday nights this year that we feel as if we are very important. The girls all come and all have good times, too.

After our huge success in the "Friendly Frolic" we decided to try another stunt. That stunt was the benefit which was held at the Germantown Theatre during the week of November 29th. We really did very well with this benefit.

And, now, like many others just at present, we are looking ahead toward Christmas. And in preparation for that great event we are "compiling" several pairs of stockings filled with toys and goodies which are to be sent to the Philadelphia Hospital. Besides this we always fill a basket for a poor family, so we have some work ahead of us. Also I have heard rumors of a Christmas party for the Friendly. So, any girls on the outside, come on and get in and help us work and have a good time.

G. M. G.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE In the Church

Sunday afternoon, December 26th, at 3.30, at which time will be given the pageant.

"ADVANCE THE LINE"

Cast

Spirits—Misses Johnson, Spooner and Hagy

Soul of the Parish—Mr. Baxter and

Messenger—Rev. Mr. Goodman (whom we all know from last summer)

We want every member present and also bring our parents and friends, so the Church will be full to the doors.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS In the Parish House

Primary Department, Tuesday afternoon, December 28th, 3.00 o'clock.

Main School, Tuesday evening, December 28th, 7.45 o'clock.

The Sunday School wishes a very Happy Christmas to our parents and to members of our Church, and will you not show your interest in our school by

joining with us in our service and entertainments.

R. H. M.

The Mothers' Christmas Dinner

The Christmas dinner of the Mothers' Meeting will be held the forepart of January. The date will be announced later and the usual good time can be promised to all the members.

The Mothers' Meeting is held every Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in the Parish House.

A Men's Supper

A supper for the men of the Parish will be held the middle of January. Prominent speakers will be present and all men of the Parish and their men friends are invited to be present. The date of this dinner will be announced later.

Subscribers and Contributors to THE CHIMES

Since the last issue the following persons have sent their subscriptions or contributions to THE CHIMES. The letter "s" denotes subscription; the letter "c" denotes contribution:

c Mrs. A. T. Flower, c John Davidson, c J. I. Morrison, s Mrs. Charles Wismer, s Miss Seiler, s Mrs. C. E. Fischer, c Mrs. Anna Warner, s Mrs. Henrietta Straub, c C. F. Lackman, c Miss Rebecca Geib, c Mrs. Benjamin Miller.

We are looking for more subscriptions and contributions before the next issue of THE CHIMES.

The Rev. Richard Wallace Hogue, formerly rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, and at present Executive Secretary of "The Church League of Industrial Democracy," will preach in Christ Church, Sunday morning, December 26th. Mr. Hogue will assist the Rector in the services on Christmas Day.

The Sunday School

Our Thanksgiving party has come and gone and every one said it was a big success, and mothers had to stay very late

to take our little ones home.

Mr. Arndt says we gave about 550 cans or packages of food, or over one and one-half times as many as we gave last year.

After depositing our gifts we had a Song Fest and the next Sunday our singing in school was better than for a long time. Let us keep it up. We wound up with an hour's play, led by Mr. Cotton, to whom the success of the entire evening is largely due.

Our Advent work is to support for one more year our three orphans in France. Let us put aside something each week and bring it in on the Sunday morning after Christmas and ask fathers and mothers to help.

Epiphany

The next great festival after Christmas is the Epiphany, celebrated at the opening of the natural year. It stood for the manifestation of light to the world, when Christ, after His baptism, began to teach and to preach. From the Eastern Church, where it originated, it was carried to the West in the early part of the fourth century. As first observed in the East, it had a two-fold character; it commemorated in a subordinate way the birth of Christ, while it placed the chief stress upon that impressive moment of His Baptism when Christ began His mission as the light of the world, by the proclamation of the truth; so that His birth and the preceding years of His life were but a preparation for the fulfillment of the incarnation, as also His manifestation was addressed to the reason and conscience. But when the Feast of the Epiphany was carried into the West, its interpretation was so changed that it almost lost its identity with the festival as it was kept in the East. In the Western interpretation, the manifestation of Christ is no longer presented as the natural consciousness of His mission, for which baptism was the inauguration; but the visit of the kings to the infant Christ is substituted as the real Epiphany or manifestation, when nature also appears as in sympathy with the new revelation, and a star in the heavens discloses a Sav-

iour to the world. The idea of revelation as light which was the favorite conception of the Eastern Church becomes in the West a physical light, and the manifestation of Christ is in and through the miracle.—A. V. G. ALLEN.

The Epiphany Star

Oh, be sure all the universe tells of Christ and leads to Christ. Rightly those ancient Magians deemed, in believing that God was worshipped truly in that august temple. The stars preach the mind of Christ. Not as of old, when a mystic star guided their feet to Bethlehem, but now, to the mind of the astronomer, they tell of eternal order and harmony; they speak of changeless law, where no caprice reigns. You may calculate the star's return; and to the day and hour and minute it will be there. This is the fidelity of God. These mute masses obey the law impressed upon them by their Creator's hand unconsciously; and that law is the law of their own nature. To understand the laws of our nature, and consciously and reverently to obey them, that is the mind of Christ, the sublimest spirit of the Gospel.—ROBERTSON.

The festival of the Epiphany was originally viewed in the Eastern Church as a commemoration of our Saviour's manifestation to the world in a wide sense; including, that is, His Nativity, or His manifestation in the flesh, together with the manifestation of the Trinity at His Baptism.

In the Western Church, on the other hand, the Nativity always appears to have been celebrated as a separate festival; and in their commemoration of the Epiphany it is the manifestation to the Magi that is mostly dwelt upon.

—Smith's Dictionary of Christian Antiquity.

Church Calendar for 1921

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1921 may be had from the Verger. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

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The Rector's Notes

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Publication of the "Chimes"

Owing to change of publishers, the issuance of the CHIMES has been delayed this month. It is hoped that hereafter the CHIMES will be published regularly on the third Sunday in the month. All parish societies must have their copy in hand at least one week before date of publication. This number of the CHIMES does not contain the usual monthly reports of the Parish Guilds, on account of the uncertainty of the date of publication. Other matters of importance are also omitted. The next issue of the CHIMES will have some important announcements.



With this issue begins the twenty-first volume of the CHIMES. In other words, the CHIMES has been published continuously, without any omission, for twenty successive years. This is a long and honorable record. Only they who have had experience in such work realize the amount of labor and patience required. It is purely a labor of love. The price of subscription, fifty cents a year, has remained the same, notwithstanding the cost of publication has been tripled. The CHIMES, therefore, depends not only upon the subscriptions but also upon the generous contributions of the members of the congregation. New subscriptions and contributions will be welcomed with this number.



Without the generous support of the advertisers the expense of publication of the CHIMES could not be met. The firms whose advertisements appear in the CHIMES have been selected as representing the best and most reliable in their respective lines of business in Germantown. Readers of the CHIMES are asked to look over the list of advertisers and to patronize these firms whenever possible.

The ecclesiastical year commences on Advent Sunday, which is always the nearest Sunday to St. Andrew's Day (November 30th). Hence, the latter is sometimes at the beginning, sometimes at the end of the ecclesiastical year. The first part—from Advent to Trinity—is devoted to a commemoration of the various events in the early life of our Saviour, which formed part of His great work, viz.: His Incarnation Manifestation to the Gentiles, Fasting and Temptation, Crucifixion, Resurrection and Ascension; the Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost and the Revelation of the great mystery of Trinity.

The second part of the year—from Trinity onward—is appropriated to a consideration of our practical duties as members of Christ, founded on those doctrines in which we have previously been instructed. Hence, we have a complete cycle of Christian teaching for the

year, independent of the instruction received from the pulpit. The advantages thus secured are obvious. The congregation is not left entirely dependent on the teaching of the preacher and yet the latter has suggested to him subjects of discourse to which he may return year after year without fear of exhausting them.



Advent is a season of self-examination and earnest prayer. Whilst we commemorate the first coming of our Blessed Lord and meditate on His second, we are thus prepared for the right enjoyment of the approaching festival of the Nativity. The Collects, Epistles and Gospels are appointed with a view to this. The Collects may be said to form a series. In them Christ is alluded to as coming (1) in Person, (2) in His Word, (3) by His ministers and (4) by His Spirit. The Epistles are explanatory of the Collects. The Gospels are (1) a parable, so to speak, of Christ's coming to judge, (2) a description of that coming, (3) our Lord's testimony to John the Baptist as the herald of His first coming, (4) John's testimony concerning himself.



ST. ANDREW'S DAY—This is one of the most ancient of the festivals commemorative of the Apostles. It may fall either at the beginning or the end of the ecclesiastical year, but generally it is the former.

There is a certain propriety in St. Andrew being commemorated first of all the Apostles, he having been one of the first to follow Christ. See John i, 40. Hence his ancient name of Protocletos (First Called). He is remarkable, too, as having been the first of the Apostles who did missionary work; he brought his own brother Simon to Christ. This fact also may have had something to do with the place given to him in the calendar; certainly it seems to have governed the choice of the Epistle, which contains St. Paul's great missionary argument, ver. 11-16. The Gospel is the account of his formal call. He was crucified by

order of Aegeas, Pro-Consul of Achaia, after having been terribly scourged. The cross on which he was bound (not nailed) is generally affirmed to have been in the shape of the letter X.



The Festival of St. Thomas, which occurs on the 21st of this month, is of very ancient date. The Collect has the leading idea drawn from a Homily of St. Gregory, when he says: "That by this doubting of St. Thomas we are more confirmed in our belief than by the faith of the other Apostles." It is recorded by Eusebius that after the day of Pentecost and the gift of tongues, the Apostles were scattered abroad, and that St. Thomas was sent to the Parthians, Medes, Persians and Chaldeans, founding churches among them till he penetrated into India. The Christians of St. Thomas, a remarkable religious community, still bear witness to his labors in that distant land; they are settled along the Malabar coast of the Indian peninsula. To the north also there seem to be relics of the Christian faith preached by St. Thomas mixed with the strange religion of Thibet. St. Thomas was martyred at a place called Taprobane. Having been at first assailed with stones, he was at last killed by the thrust of a spear, thus offering a comparison to the words of our Lord to him: "Reach hither thy hand and thrust it into my side." It was not granted to St. Thomas to have his courageous aspirations fulfilled to die with Christ, but to die for His cause. It is related that the Portuguese found an ancient inscription in Meliapore, purporting that St. Thomas had been pierced with a lance at the foot of a cross, which he had erected in that city, and that in 1523 A. D. his body was found there and transported to Goa. It would appear that St. Thomas traveled farther than any of the Apostles, and preached to various nations of different languages, showing that as his incredulity was great, so was his faith great in proportion. When painted alone or with the other Apostles, his attribute is always a builder's rule or square, and for this reason he is called the patron of architects and builders.

Behold! Thy King Cometh

It seems very natural to us to ask why the account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday should be read as the Gospel for Advent Sunday. At first sight it looks very like a displacement of the Gospel history, for on Advent Sunday we are thinking of the two extreme points, if we may so term them, of the relationship which the Lord Jesus bears to us, the one of His coming to take our nature upon Him nineteen centuries ago, and the other when He shall come to judge us hereafter; when we suddenly find ourselves in the very midst of His earthly life, at nothing less than its crisis, when He has wrought his greatest recorded miracle, and is consciously on His way to die. What, then, we feel inclined to ask, is the connection between this entry into Jerusalem and Christ's advent, whether on the occasion of His taking our nature upon Himself, or His still future advent, in the clouds of heaven, as Judge of the quick and dead? Might it not have been better, we may ask, as is the case in some of the churches of Christendom, to have chosen the Gospel for today from some passage in which our Lord describes His second coming, such, for instance, as the Gospel for Sunday next? This is what some of us may think, but these old liturgical arrangements were made by people who knew very well what they were about. They have been continued to our day, because they have been found, by the experience of some thirteen or fourteen centuries, to have a deep lesson for the human soul.

This Gospel is chosen because it brings before us two great truths; not only that of the first coming of our Divine Saviour into the world but of His coming to the judgment. Passages of Scripture describing either of these momentous events would be obviously appropriate, but to do justice to the solemn time upon which we now enter we require to keep these two truths clearly before the eye of the soul.



Christmas Giving and Buying

It not infrequently happens that the spirit of the world seizes upon Christian

festivals and perverts them from their original purposes and to some extent makes them evils rather than the un-mixed blessings they were intended to be. Holy days have too often become mere holidays and anything but holy to many of those observing them. Christmas has suffered especially through the exaggerated development of the originally harmless custom of exchanging gifts at that season, which has now reached the point where the custom has become a burden to many, giving pleasure neither to the giver nor the recipient, and, because of the tendency of the great majority of shoppers to put off their purchases until the last day or hours, Christmas has become for the shopkeepers and their employees the most dreaded season of the year. It is certainly lamentable that the observance of the anniversary of the coming of God's Son to earth, as a pledge of God's good will to men, should bring anything but peace and joy to any of His children; and as the Episcopal Church in this country has had more influence than any other religious body in preserving the festival of Christmas and bringing about its general observance (not any of the denominations, a generation ago, held religious services on Christmas—some do not today), the Church should take the lead in all proper efforts to make Christmas a religious festival, a happy time for all and a hard time for none. Two movements deserve the support of Church people—that represented by the Society for Preventing Useless Giving at Christmas and the "shop early" movement. The latter movement accomplished a great deal last Christmas in lightening the labors of thousands of salespeople, and should accomplish even more this year not only in the great cities but in the smaller towns as well. To endeavor to bear one another's burdens is to fulfill the law of Christ.



The Power of Worship

Bishop Brent, of Western New York, in his Convention address, pleaded with his clergy to be spiritual leaders, to unveil God to the people, to draw men

PARISH NOTES

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

to their knees. And then he dwelt upon the power of worship:

"Worship of the mysterious and yet simple God is the greatest and most vital activity of human life, coloring and invigorating and giving point to all other activities. Worship is languishing with us, in part, I think, because we have tried to make our services attractive to men, instead of attractive to God, and partly because we try to give to men, by preaching, a knowledge of God that can best come through worship in sacrament and prayer. I am assured by those who have a right to speak that our churches are frequented more than formerly by people who know the meaning and value of worship.

For more than two years I have been going in and out of the churches in France. Those churches are places of worship through which a ceaseless stream of worshippers flow—the brave poilu, in his war-stained and faded blue uniform, the little children, the sad-faced widow and the aged peasant. They go to meet God. There may be no service to join in, no preacher to listen to, but they know God is in His holy temple always, and they are well content to talk to Him and be talked to by Him.

"Two years ago last Sunday I went to the little village of Neuilly-sur-Suize in the afternoon. There was the sound of singing in the little sixteenth century church on the hill, which I often visited. The cure was away at the war, but all the villagers were there singing vespers. They were gathered to pay homage in worship to the ever-present God.

A TOUCHING ILLUSTRATION

"A colonial chaplain tells of an incident from his experience in the Amiens Cathedral. 'Presently,' he says, 'my eyes caught sight of two figures a dozen yards away to the right—a little before me, but not so much that I could not see their faces. They were sitting perfectly still, hand in hand, and one could read their story plainly enough. She was a young woman of the poorer class, but well dressed, and he was a soldier in the uni-

form of the French line, and, what was more, his whole kit was there, significantly, too. I have no doubt whatever that they had slipped into the Cathedral on the way to the station.

"As I watched, she said something, and knelt forward on the prie-Dieu before her. He stood up, as the French soldier does. Then she began to pray for him to hear, and I could catch a murmur. His eyes were fixed on the altar, and never wavered from first to last, but she hid hers in her hands after a little. Also her voice rose with the passion of her prayer, and soon one knew that she was weeping. At last, she prayed loudly enough for me to catch the words, in French, of course, but I could understand that well-known prayer, and marvel at the simplicity of her so slight change in it.

"Soul of Christ, sanctify him;

Body of Christ, save him . . ."

So she went on, until:

"Within Thy wounds hide him,"

she cried, and could say no more for sobs.

"And while I saw dimly and waited for I knew not what, when the man's voice broke calmly and steadily in, without even a hint of passion or of fear:

"In the hour of my death, call me
And bid me come to Thee,
That with Thy saints I may praise Thee
For ever and ever. Amen."

"And then, like the victor that he was, there, in God's house, and all unashamed before His High Majesty, he lifted the woman to her feet and turned her face to his, and kissed her long upon the lips.

"Oh, my God, how fine a thing can human nature be! It was no disgrace for You to share it. It has that in it which can look across the worst that earth can do, and gather up its dearest into its arms, and go forward—to You."

"May God teach us how to worship, that others, too, may worship Him in spirit and in truth."

The Value of Parish Work to the Worker

There is a very great value in parish work to the worker. One who stands on the outside and has not "part nor lot" in the activities of the parish—is merely named on the register as "belonging to the parish"—cannot realize that a very real value to the individual exists.

The word "work" to the uninitiated all too often means something arduous, something to be avoided; but when one considers that work and happiness are inseparable, it is strange more do not find their work and their happiness. Each individual member of a parish bears a responsibility for a certain part of the Church's work, and has a talent intended for use. A great deal depends upon the use made of opportunities.

Activity creates interest. As there can be no activity without mind and body, so there can be no interest without heart. As soon as this factor enters, it all ceases to be work in the popular meaning of the term, and great good comes to the worker—in happiness derived, the feeling of being necessary to the great whole, the sense of power and dependableness; all of which will be found to work out in this wise—that the more one does the greater the desire grows to do something more.

Then comes a deepening and broadening of character—a worker must look upon the world differently. Coming into close relation with fellow-workers gives a wider outlook. Too many to mention are the elements for the strengthening and upbuilding of character which enter in this contact. They extend soul-deep.

It has been said: "What we pray for we work for," and as truly it can be said, what we work for we pray for; and what we work and pray for we stand for; here is a test of our loyalty and a deepening of our spiritual life.

Parish work done with any right motive must have its value; but many times is that value increased if there is a deep, underlying sense for WHOM it is all done, a belief in the Church and the

fundamental principles for which the Church stands. Then, with the growth in character and influence, there will be also a splendid growth in true Churchmanship; ideals will be higher, and there will come the "Vision."



A COURSE OF ADVENT SERMONS "The State of the Dead"

The Rector will deliver a course of four sermons on the Sunday evenings in Advent on the subject, "*The State of the Dead*." The course will begin on Sunday evening, November 28th. The subjects treated in the course will be as follows:

Sunday, November 28th—"Where Does the Soul Go After Death?"

Sunday, December 5th—"Is There Another Chance After Death?"

Sunday, December 12th—"Does the Bible Teach Eternal Punishment?"

Sunday, December 19th—"Where is Heaven?"

There will be special Advent music. The service will begin at 7.45.



Kalendar for December

December 5—Second Sunday in Advent.
December 12—Third Sunday in Advent.
December 19—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
December 21—St. Thomas.
December 25—CHRISTMAS.
December 26—St. Stephen.
December 27—St. John Evangelist.
December 28—Holy Innocents.



Confirmation Lectures

In January the Rector will begin a course of lectures on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church. All who are contemplating Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. If any have not yet come to a decision and wish to confer with the Rector on the subject he may be seen after any service in Church or by appointment at the Rectory. It is impor-

tant that the names of those who are to be confirmed be enrolled as soon as possible. The dates of the meetings of the class will be announced in the next issue of the CHIMES.



Church Kalendars for 1921

A limited quantity of the usual Church Kalendars will be on sale with the venger on the first week in December. These Kalendars should be in every home in the parish. At the top of the Kalendar is a cut of Christ Church, a list of the services, etc. The holy days of the Church year are marked by their appropriate colors. The proper lessons for Sundays and holy days, together with the proper psalms, will be found on the back of the Kalendars. They are appropriate for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Price, 35 cents each.



Contributions for Christmas Greens

The members of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew will decorate the Church for Christmas. The Altar Society, assisted by the St. Christopher Guild, will be responsible for the altars. Members of the congregation are asked to contribute for the expenses of the Christmas decorations. Contributions may be given or sent to Mr. Richard H. Morris, 6604 Wayne avenue.



The Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary, the missionary society of the Church, is now holding its regular meetings on the third Thursday of each month. Every woman in the congregation is given this opportunity to help in carrying out Christ's work on earth.

We need your help. If you like to sew, come to the morning session, which starts at half-past 10, and help sew for some charitable object. We bring our lunches with us, and the lunch hour is a very sociable and enjoyable part of the day's program.

At 2 o'clock comes the business meeting, when we hear reports from the mission fields and try to devise some way to raise money to help these devoted workers. This has been most discouraging, as we have received help from comparatively few women in the congregation. At our last meeting it was decided to ask every one to lay aside a certain sum every week and bring it to the Auxiliary meeting on the third Thursday of the month. Envelopes are to be provided, and we earnestly hope that we will meet with a hearty response. No matter how small your offering, it will help in spreading Christ's kingdom on earth. Every woman in the parish is urged to attend these monthly meetings. We guarantee that it will be a most interesting and uplifting experience.

A. F. W.



Illustrated Talk on the "Near East"

For many years the people of America have been interested in the conditions existing in that portion of the world known as the "Near East." This interest has been deeply intensified by the World War, and "Bundle Day," just a few weeks ago, doubtless gave many of us an opportunity to develop that interest into personal service.

At the request of the Men's Bible Class, Charles E. Beury, Esq., will give a talk on the "Near East," in the Parish House, on Friday evening, December 10th, at 8 o'clock, illustrated with colored lantern slides.

Mr. Beury has made two trips to this territory in connection with the American Red Cross Relief Commission—one in 1917 and the other in 1919—and thus is able to give information and description from personal experience. During his stay in these countries Mr. Beury took a number of photographs, from which lantern slides have been made, and he has kindly consented to give the people of Christ Church an opportunity of seeing these views and to hear something of his experiences.

The Men's Class cordially invites the men and women of our Parish to be present at this interesting and instructive lecture, for which no admission will be charged, and trusts that appreciation of Mr. Beury's kindness will be expressed by the large attendance—Friday, December 10th.

H. J.



The Sunday School

With the near approach of those seasons which especially appeal to our Sunday School, Thanksgiving and Christmas, the school is looking forward to making this year one of greater accomplishment than heretofore.

Since the resumption of the regular sessions, after the interesting services in the Church during the summer, the attendance has been gradually rising to our old standard, but there are still some who have not yet returned to their Sunday School home, and just at this time when home reunions are uppermost in the thoughts of so many, would it not be both pleasurable and profitable to have a genuine reunion of all those who are or have been connected with the school?

The invitation is extended to all our former scholars, and especially to those who have recently forgotten either the time or place, to come see what kind of a school is now being held in the Parish House at 9.45 each Sunday morning.

The welcome is already prepared, and it has been made so broad as to cover not only scholars but older folks as well, even if the latter only come as a matter of interest.

By the time this is read the Thanksgiving party will be a matter of history for the school, but we hope it will be a continuing remembrance of the school throughout the winter by the generous gifts which the members are to bring for the needy of the Parish.

Christmas is not so far off, and already plans are being made for the Christmas services and the festivals, and before long the melodies of Christmas carols

will be sounding through the school as the scholars commence practicing for their part in the services.

During this fall, and, we hope, continuing throughout the winter, a very helpful feature has been added to our regular course. This is the brief review of the important points of the lesson and drilling in familiarity with the Bible, conducted each Sunday morning by the Rector, and the ready and hearty responses by the scholars are ample evidence of their appreciation of this method and character of instruction.

Our present appeal is for teachers, and to any who have the opportunity the Superintendent can readily show how interesting the work may be made.

There is also ample room in the school for your boy or your girl.

Whichever it is, is he or she there on Sunday morning?

Will you help us by helping him or her to be there next Sunday morning at 9.45 sharp?

U. G. R.



Religious training lasts—forever. Physical training and mental training last only for a time. The one trains the soul, the other flesh and blood—perishing materials. Which deserves the greatest attention? Christ said, "Seek first the Kingdom of God"—seek it for your child as well as yourself.



Altar Guild

The duties of the Altar Guild remain the same throughout the year, but we have resumed our regular monthly business meetings on the second Monday of each month. We regret the absence of our president, Mrs. Baremore, due to illness, but hope soon to have her with us again. The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

December 3-10—Misses Manser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

December 10-17—Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien, Parker.

December 17-24—Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

December 24-31—Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

G. F. D.



Girls' Friendly Society

On Tuesday night, November 2nd, the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church gave an entertainment under the title of "The Friendly Frolic," for the small amount of 25 cents a ticket. We had an audience which filled the Church School room, each one having come with the same old feeling of martyrdom—that of resignation of sitting through a poky entertainment. Agreeable surprises are always delightful, and we certainly gave that patient audience the surprise of its life.

The programme was opened by a violin solo by Mr. Boltright, a master, indeed, of his instrument, followed by a monologue by Mrs. Coryell, in which she was assisted by our eminent physician-vestryman, Dr. William N. Johnson. Mrs. Coryell kept the audience in peals of laughter, and received a rousing encore.

Other than these two able assistants, the rest of the programme was efficiently rendered by the members of our branch. Two soloists, a recitation, interpretative dancing and a final chorus, accompanied by dancing. The pianist-accompanist was also one of our famous branch.

After the close of the performance the audience was invited to the gymnasium, where music was furnished for dancing by two of our young men from the Church School.

We were all overwhelmed with congratulations at the enjoyable evening we had given, even to the extent of asking us to repeat it, that those who were unfortunate enough to miss it might have a chance to enjoy such a worthwhile affair.

The members of the Girls' Friendly Society wish through the CHIMES to express their heartfelt thanks for the expressions of praise at their maiden efforts, and you may hear from us again.

L. J. J.



Men's Bible Class

At the annual election of officers of the Men's Bible Class, held on Thursday evening, November 18th, the following were elected:

President, Fred Lennig; first vice-president, Dr. C. Courtney; second vice-president, James Carmint, Jr.; treasurer, Frank Wilcox; secretary, Robert Feist.

After the election the evening was spent in a social way, and refreshments were served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of this class.



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Love—the Spirit of Christmas

What else should be in our thoughts at this most holy time, than the love of Christ? Of all the news that could be brought to us what so good as this, that unto us is born, as at this time, "a Saviour which is Christ the Lord?" God's love toward man, man's love toward God—this is the Christmas message. Love, Love, Love! "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." "If God so loved us, we ought to love one another."

At this Christmas season, this season of "Love," the apostle's command must be literally obeyed or else the spirit of Christmas cannot enter into our hearts:

"Let all bitterness and wrath and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice; and be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you."

If this is the spirit, the "spirit of Jesus," that shall possess our hearts this Christmas time, then indeed it will be to all who possesseth it a happy, a truly happy Christmas Day.



Christmas Communion

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there, as did the wise men

of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means meeting with Christ. Christmas is not a wordly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! The wise men brought gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offering of their earthly substance, offerings of worship and adoration; offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones, offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church, and offerings of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who came to us on Christmas Day to be our Saviour and our King.



That every communicant may have an opportunity of coming to the Holy Communion on Christmas Day, there will be, as usual, three celebrations on that day, 6.30, 7.30, 11.00 A. M. Every communicant, who is physically able, will want to come to, at least, one service on Christmas Day. There can be no Christmas without Christ. The happiest Christmas is the one that is filled with Christ and His love!

Happiness eludes every searcher for it, but comes quickly and abundantly to the one who seeks to bestow it upon someone else. The searcher for happiness may get wealth, and power, and fame, but none of these advantage will avail anything in getting happiness. Even from friends it cannot be obtained, for happiness comes from what is **given out** rather than from what is gathered in. Loving, unselfish service, the persistent, enthusiastic effort day by day to bring sweetness, light, comfort and goodness into the lives of others, will surely bring happiness into the life of any man, woman or child. No sorrow of heart, no doubt of the future, no restlessness or aimlessness of the present, no loneliness or bitterness of soul, but will yield and be resolved into joy and peace and purpose as soon as the days are filled with labors of love—as soon as the eagerness to get happiness is replaced by an eagerness to give it to others.



Christ's Practice of Prayer

1. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **teaching and healing**, for "great multitudes came together to hear and be healed," but He withdrew Himself into the desert and prayed. Lu. 5:15, 16.

2. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **rest**, for "in the morning a great while before day He rose up and went out and departed into a desert place and there prayed." Mark 1:35.

3. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than **sleep**, for "He went out into the mountain to pray and He continued all night in prayer to God." Lu. 6:12.

4. To our Lord PRAYER was more important than the **working of miracles**, for instead of working a miracle to deliver Peter He said, "I have prayed for thee that thy faith fail not." Lu. 22:32.

5. To our Lord PRAYER was more important in securing workers than either **money or machinery**, for

He said, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest." Matt. 9:38.

6. To our Lord PRAYER was more important to be taught than **preaching**, for He taught men to pray, but we have no record that He ever taught them to preach. Matt. 6:5-15.

7. To our Lord PRAYER is more important than all other ministries, for "He ever liveth to **make intercession** for us." Heb. 7:25.

The earthly ministry of our Lord was begun in **prayer** (Luke 3:21), continued in **prayer** and ended in **prayer** (Luke 23:34).

The heavenly ministry of our Lord was begun in prayer (John 14:16, "I will"), and is now continued in prayer (Heb. 7:25).

The lack of prayer is the secret of the Christian's lack of strength, of courage, of inspiration. The lack of prayer is the secret of the failure of the members of the church to measure up to their Christian responsibilities. The lack of prayer is the secret of the falling away into indifference, into worldliness, into sin, of many who formerly led upright Christian lives and rendered faithful Christian service.

Private prayer, alone, in one's room, at one's bedside.

Public prayer, with one's fellow-men, with God's people, in God's House. Private and public prayer, both of these are necessary for the soul's growth, for the soul's unselfish service to God and man. "When thou prayest enter into thy closet," said our Lord. He also said: "**My house** (temple) shall be called of all nations the House of Prayer."

And the apostle reminds us, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is." It is this "forsaking" of prayer, either of private or public or both, that is the cause of the low ebb of our Christian life; that is the cause of our heartless Christian service. Let us bring back into our lives Christ's practice of prayer.

We Belong to a Church, Not a Parish

We are accustomed to hear the word "Church" applied to a local congregation. We use it loosely ourselves in the same way. But with us, speaking accurately, the Church is our entire communion. The local organization is simply a parish, an outpost, a garrison. A garrison in an outpost does not think of itself as the army. A ship is not the navy. A local postoffice is not the postoffice department. The visit of the Bishop reminds us that we belong to a Church, not to a parish; that we are part of the army, not simply a garrison; that we are enlisted in the navy, not in a ship. The Bishop is the outward and visible sign that we belong to a great, historic, age-long, world-wide institution, which has outposts everywhere, and that we have all its resources back of us and its power within us. Confirmation is not administered by the rector of the parish, who represents only the local congregation. It is administered by the Bishop, who represents the entire Church. We are admitted, therefore, into the communion not of the local congregation or parish. The Bishop's act accomplishes something far wider than that. We are taken into the communion and fellowship of the entire Church throughout the world, including every parish, mission, outpost or garrison under the Church's jurisdiction. That is why we are Churchmen, not Congregationalists. That is why it is that our imagination is stirred and our enthusiasm is kindled by the world-wide institution more than by the local organization. For while we are registered in and attached to a given parish, our citizenship is in the all-including Church.



Epiphany

Epiphany is twelve days after Christmas. In olden times it was often called "twelfth night."

The story of the Epiphany, telling us of the coming of the Magi, who were supposed to be kings, from the Far Eastern country, is the description

of the ultimate triumph of the Gospel of the Incarnation, when the nations of men will come with their richest treasures to lay them at the feet of the Christ Child.

In the old Liturgies the Epiphany is called the Feast of Lights.

There is still a ceremony of the Eastern Church, in which all the worshippers come to Church on this day with waxen tapers. The priest first lights his taper from the candles that are burning on the Altar. He then transmits the holy flame to the people, who pass it on from worshipper to worshipper, until the whole edifice is ablaze with the symbolic radiance.

Christ is the Light of the World. But He shines not merely as a great independent luminary above all men's eyes, but in the thousands of lesser lights which are continually kindling in others the flame of devotion to Him.



Three Holy Days after Christmas

Three days following Christmas are dedicated to three sacred events: First, on December 26th, is commemorated The Martyrdom of St. Stephen. This day has been commemorated since the fourth century. In the Greek Church the Festival is a day later than it is in ours. In addition to the reasons given above for its position in the Calendar, it has been said that "Christ was born on earth in order that Stephen might be born in heaven." Thus this, the anniversary of his martyrdom, is also, in a higher sense, the anniversary of his birth.

On December 27th occurs The Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Then we remember the fisherman John, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the brother of James, the partner in the earthly business of Simon and Andrew; and we see what grace made him. We remember how he was called and obeyed the call; how he abode with Christ after the tenth hour on that memorable day; how he became a fisher of men; how he was styled a son of thunder; how he was admitted to be the beloved disciple; how he leaned on that bosom;

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title 11: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

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how he stood by the cross; how he made it is his business to house the Virgin-mother; how he grew and expanded and was perfected, waxed riper, and more and more reflected the image of his Master, received and diffused light; how he suffered for the truth; had heaven opened to him at Patmos, and tarried to such an old age that men thought he would live on till Christ came, all the time doing his Lord's work, ordering the Church after his Lord's mind, teaching, reclaiming, ruling, refuting error, declaring the truth by word and writing to the end.

On December 28th is celebrated the Martyrdom of the Innocents, which was anciently commemorated at the Epiphany; the date of its first observance as a separate festival is not known. The Innocents have always been regarded by the Church as martyrs, they having, though unwittingly, shed their blood for Christ. (See St. Matt. 2:16-17.)



The Star

Once upon a time Almighty God placed in the heavens a new and wonderful star and—mystery beyond all other mysteries—revealed it only unto kings.

Nobody saw that star except the kings; but they set out to follow whither it would lead, and it led them straight to the manger in which lay the new-born Child, who came to reign over them in love.

Now comes again the time of the Star and the time of the Child.

There is no path to peace but the path through which the Star will lead.

The nations tried another path; and it led away from peace.



Who Can Answer These Questions?

Not everyone who considers himself a "good Churchman" is thoroughly acquainted with the contents of the Prayer Book. No one who has not thoroughly studied the Prayer Book and knows something, at least, of its history, can be considered a "good Churchman."

As an incentive to the study of the contents of the Prayer Book the following list of questions has been arranged. The answer of every question in the list may be found in the Prayer Book. How many scholars in the Church School, how many persons in the Parish, are able to answer them all?

The Rector will present a copy of the new (revised) Church Hymnal to any member of the Church School and a subscriber to the CHIMES, who will write out in full the correct answers to the following questions, stating, if possible, the page in the Prayer Book where the answer may be found.

All papers must be sent to the Rector before the first Sunday in January. Here are the questions:

From what date has the American Prayer Book been used?

Was the whole present book set forth for use at the same time?

What part of the book was added last?

What Psalms are said on the 31st day of the month?

When is the Venite not to be said in Morning Prayer?

Where is it indicated that the people should not join in saying a Psalm?

What other name is given to the Sixth Sunday in Lent?

When is Holy Thursday?

How is Easter found each year?

How do you find the "Golden Number" or "Prime"?

If the President or Governor should fail to appoint Thanksgiving Day what would the Church observe?

What Feast has three tithes?

What Collect, Epistle and Gospel are ordinarily said on a week day?

What Sunday Collect may be used for only three days?

Which Collects are addressed to our Lord?

What days have two Collects, Epistles and Gospels?

When must the Nicene Creed be said?

When must the Creed be said in interrogative form?

Is there anything in the Communion Office to indicate that the people should stay until the end of the service?

If the Bishop is present in the Chancel at the Communion, what part of the service must he take?

Where may the Communion Table be placed if not in the Chancel?

In what service is the word "Altar" used?

When does the sermon come before the Communion Office?

Where is the Holy Communion called the "Eucharist?"

Who is directed to control the music?

Why should a Bishop be able to sing?

Where is given permission to sing an anthem?

To what person in the Trinity are most of the petitions addressed?

Where are the prayers appointed to be said by single persons who cannot meet with others?

What prayers are directed to be said by either a man or a woman?

What prayer is named for a Saint?

How many forms of Absolution are given? Of Blessings?

What methods of Baptism are allowed?

How soon are parents told to bring their children to Baptism?

If a sick child, baptized at home, should live, what ought to be done?

How are adults told to prepare themselves for Baptism?

If a child should not know his Catechism, what should the parents do?

How is the Priest to know if any one is sick?

Where is it said that "from the Apostles' time there have been three orders of ministry—Bishops, Priests and Deacons?"

How long must a Deacon remain in office?

How is a Bishop to be addressed in Divine Service?

When does a Minister enter upon a service without being completely vested?

Where is the Lord's Prayer directed to be said by the Minister alone?

At what services only is it directed that there shall be a sermon?

What Rubric directs how a woman should be dressed?

When is the Te Deum allowed as a special act of thanksgiving?

Upon what three occasions may a member of the congregation interrupt the service?

Where do you find directions that the officiant pause, so that the people may make secret prayer?

In what service is it required to have the keys of the church?

In what prayer is reference made to the Apostolic Succession?

How far does the American Church intend to depart from the Church of England?

What Holy Days have no special evening service?



Kalendar for January

January 1st—Circumcision.

January 2nd—Second Sunday after Christmas.

January 6th—Epiphany.

January 9th—First Sunday after Epiphany.

January 16th—Second Sunday after Epiphany.

January 23rd—Septuagesima Sunday.

January 25th—Conversion of St. Paul.

January 30th—Sexagesima Sunday.



Services on Christmas Day

The services on Christmas Day will be Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.; Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon, 11.00 A. M. An at-all service will be Clergy Pension Fund. The annual assessment of Christ Church for this worthy object is \$315.00. A special envelope for the Pension Fund will be found in the package of envelopes. Persons who may be absent from services on Christmas Day are asked to give their offering at a subsequent service.

"While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith." Gal. 6:10.



Christmas Music

The music on Christmas Day will include the following:

Processional Hymn 56—"Christian, awake! Salute the happy morn."

Venite—Savage.

Te Deum in F.—Tours.

Kyrie Eleison—Steane.

Gloria Tibi—Steane.

Hymn 51—"Hark, the herald angels sing!"

Offertory Anthem—"It came upon the midnight clear"—Sullivan.

Sursum Corda—Camidge.

Ter Sanctus—Steane.

Hymn.

Gloria in Excelsis—Steane.

Retrocessional 49—"Oh, come, all ye faithful."



Church School's Christmas Service

The Christmas service of the Church Schools will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 26th, at 3.30. In addition to the singing of the Christmas Carols, a "Pageant" will be given in the Church, entitled "Advance the Line."

This "Pageant" or "Religious Drama" will be an impressive and reverent presentation of vital Christian teachings. Those who take part in the "Pageant" will represent "the Verger," "the Messenger," "Soul of the Parish, and three Angels," "The Spirit of Love and Light," "The Spirit of Love and Faith," "The Spirit of Love and Obedience."



Christmas Greens

Persons who wish to contribute to the Christmas decorations of the Church are asked to give or send their contributions to Richard H. Morris, 6460 Wayne Avenue.



Midnight Service in Christ Church

The usual midnight service will be held in Christ Church on New Year's Eve, beginning at eleven o'clock. The Church will be open all evening for private devotion.

On New Year's Day—"Feast of the Circumcision"—there will be celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.



Confirmation Class Forming

All persons who desire to join the Confirmation Class are requested to give their names to the Rector. Classes are now forming and instructions on Confirmation will soon be given by the Rector. Any who wish to confer with the Rector on the subject of Confirmation may do so after any service or by appointment.



The Women's Auxiliary

The next meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held on Thursday, December 16th. These are "all-day meetings," from 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M. The members bring their lunch with them to the Parish House. The mornings are devoted to sewing for missions. At two o'clock reports are read from the delegates and general business is transacted. At three o'clock some missionary or other speaker generally addresses the meeting.

It is hoped that more women in the Parish will attend these meetings. The January meeting will be held Thursday, January 20th, the third Thursday of every month. Come for all or any part of the day.



Men's Bible Class Has Found Itself!

Due to the combined efforts of the new Officers and several untiring Committeemen the Class is once again on a firm foundation and taking an active part in the welfare of the Parish.

President Frederick Lennig certainly is a hustler and, with Treasurer Frank Wilcox, make a pair that can't be beaten—results show this as the Class is growing every week. Last Sunday we had forty-three members present and this week expect to go above the fifty mark.

Not only is the attendance growing but the various functions which the Class is going to hold show that it is not asleep.

First of all, there is the Illustrated Lecture on the "Near East," by Charles E. Beury, Esq., Friday evening, December 10th. No admission will be charged and everyone is welcomed to attend.

On Thursday, December 16th, the Class will give a Christmas Party. According to Mr. Cotton this will be the best ever held. So, men, don't miss it—everyone will receive a present.

On Sunday, December 19th, we are going to visit our former teacher, the Reverend Richard Gurley, at Radnor, Pa., at which place we will have dinner after attending the Church services. Automobiles will be ready at 2.30 P. M. to take us over. Mr. Gurley will be glad to see all who care to go.

Several other functions are being considered and discussed, full details of which will be given in the next issue.

All men welcomed to our Class! Meets Sunday mornings, 9.45.

HERBERT A. FEIST,
Secretary.

Girls' Friendly Society

We have been having such wonderful meetings of the Friendly on Tuesday nights this year that we feel as if we are very important. The girls all come and all have good times, too.

After our huge success in the "Friendly Frolic" we decided to try another stunt. That stunt was the benefit which was held at the Germantown Theatre during the week of November 29th. We really did very well with this benefit.

And, now, like many others just at present, we are looking ahead toward Christmas. And in preparation for that great event we are "compiling" several pairs of stockings filled with toys and goodies which are to be sent to the Philadelphia Hospital. Besides this we always fill a basket for a poor family, so we have some work ahead of us. Also I have heard rumors of a Christmas party for the Friendly. So, any girls on the outside, come on and get in and help us work and have a good time.

G. M. G.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE In the Church

Sunday afternoon, December 26th, at 3.30, at which time will be given the pageant.

"ADVANCE THE LINE"

Cast

Spirits—Misses Johnson, Spooner and Hagy

Soul of the Parish—Mr. Baxter and

Messenger—Rev. Mr. Goodman (whom we all know from last summer)

We want every member present and also bring our parents and friends, so the Church will be full to the doors.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS In the Parish House

Primary Department, Tuesday afternoon, December 28th, 3.00 o'clock.

Main School, Tuesday evening, December 28th, 7.45 o'clock.

The Sunday School wishes a very Happy Christmas to our parents and to members of our Church, and will you not show your interest in our school by

joining with us in our service and entertainments.

R. H. M.

The Mothers' Christmas Dinner

The Christmas dinner of the Mothers' Meeting will be held the forepart of January. The date will be announced later and the usual good time can be promised to all the members.

The Mothers' Meeting is held every Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock in the Parish House.

A Men's Supper

A supper for the men of the Parish will be held the middle of January. Prominent speakers will be present and all men of the Parish and their men friends are invited to be present. The date of this dinner will be announced later.

Subscribers and Contributors to THE CHIMES

Since the last issue the following persons have sent their subscriptions or contributions to THE CHIMES. The letter "s" denotes subscription; the letter "c" denotes contribution:

c Mrs. A. T. Flower, c John Davidson, c J. I. Morrison, s Mrs. Charles Wismer, s Miss Seiler, s Mrs. C. E. Fischer, c Mrs. Anna Warner, s Mrs. Henrietta Straub, c C. F. Lackman, c Miss Rebecca Geib, c Mrs. Benjamin Miller.

We are looking for more subscriptions and contributions before the next issue of THE CHIMES.

The Rev. Richard Wallace Hogue, formerly rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, and at present Executive Secretary of "The Church League of Industrial Democracy," will preach in Christ Church, Sunday morning, December 26th. Mr. Hogue will assist the Rector in the services on Christmas Day.

The Sunday School

Our Thanksgiving party has come and gone and every one said it was a big success, and mothers had to stay very late

to take our little ones home.

Mr. Arndt says we gave about 550 cans or packages of food, or over one and one-half times as many as we gave last year.

After depositing our gifts we had a Song Fest and the next Sunday our singing in school was better than for a long time. Let us keep it up. We wound up with an hour's play, led by Mr. Cotton, to whom the success of the entire evening is largely due.

Our Advent work is to support for one more year our three orphans in France. Let us put aside something each week and bring it in on the Sunday morning after Christmas and ask fathers and mothers to help.

Epiphany

The next great festival after Christmas is the Epiphany, celebrated at the opening of the natural year. It stood for the manifestation of light to the world, when Christ, after His baptism, began to teach and to preach. From the Eastern Church, where it originated, it was carried to the West in the early part of the fourth century. As first observed in the East, it had a two-fold character; it commemorated in a subordinate way the birth of Christ, while it placed the chief stress upon that impressive moment of His Baptism when Christ began His mission as the light of the world, by the proclamation of the truth; so that His birth and the preceding years of His life were but a preparation for the fulfillment of the incarnation, as also His manifestation was addressed to the reason and conscience. But when the Feast of the Epiphany was carried into the West, its interpretation was so changed that it almost lost its identity with the festival as it was kept in the East. In the Western interpretation, the manifestation of Christ is no longer presented as the natural consciousness of His mission, for which baptism was the inauguration; but the visit of the kings to the infant Christ is substituted as the real Epiphany or manifestation, when nature also appears as in sympathy with the new revelation, and a star in the heavens discloses a Sav-

iour to the world. The idea of revelation as light which was the favorite conception of the Eastern Church becomes in the West a physical light, and the manifestation of Christ is in and through the miracle.—A. V. G. ALLEN.

The Epiphany Star

Oh, be sure all the universe tells of Christ and leads to Christ. Rightly those ancient Magians deemed, in believing that God was worshipped truly in that august temple. The stars preach the mind of Christ. Not as of old, when a mystic star guided their feet to Bethlehem, but now, to the mind of the astronomer, they tell of eternal order and harmony; they speak of changeless law, where no caprice reigns. You may calculate the star's return; and to the day and hour and minute it will be there. This is the fidelity of God. These mute masses obey the law impressed upon them by their Creator's hand unconsciously; and that law is the law of their own nature. To understand the laws of our nature, and consciously and reverently to obey them, that is the mind of Christ, the sublimest spirit of the Gospel.—ROBERTSON.

The festival of the Epiphany was originally viewed in the Eastern Church as a commemoration of our Saviour's manifestation to the world in a wide sense; including, that is, His Nativity, or His manifestation in the flesh, together with the manifestation of the Trinity at His Baptism.

In the Western Church, on the other hand, the Nativity always appears to have been celebrated as a separate festival; and in their commemoration of the Epiphany it is the manifestation to the Magi that is mostly dwelt upon.

—Smith's Dictionary of Christian Antiquity.

Church Calendar for 1921

A limited supply of Christ Church Calendars for 1921 may be had from the Verger. At the top of the Calendar is a picture of Christ Church, a list of services, hours, etc.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M.A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A.M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P.M. AT HOME, SATURDAY EVENING

"Members" and "Communicants"

An annual report of the parishes in the Diocese is required by Canon to be sent to the Bishop of the Diocese at the beginning of each year. This report must give the financial condition of the Parish, including receipts and expenditures for all purposes within the Parish, and for all assessments and missionary or other charitable purposes, both within and without the Diocese.

The Rector must also report the number of public services held during the past year, the number of public and private Communions, persons baptized, confirmed and buried, and other official acts of his; he must include in this report the number of Communicants on the roll of the Parish. It is on this subject of "Communicants" that I wish to say a few words to members of this Parish and to others who worship here.

By the term "Communicant" is meant a person who communes. A person who habitually neglects to come to the Holy Communion—"unless let or hindered by sickness or other serious cause"—is not a Communicant of the Church. It goes without saying that a Rector's report must be honest, and no Rector, without violating the truth, can include among his number of "Communicants," which he reports annually to the Diocesan, the names of persons who, not

being "let or hindered by sickness or other serious cause," habitually neglects to come to the Holy Communion. He has no alternative other than to omit the names of all nominal Communicants from his list of "Communicants."

A person formerly a Communicant, who has since fallen away and has become faithless, may still be considered a "member" of the Parish; like a member of the human body, for example, an arm or a leg, that has become atrophied or partially dead from paralysis, may still be considered a "member" of the body, although it may be a useless or worse than useless member, even an encumbrance. There are some such "members," I suppose, in every Parish. The difference between a "member" and a "communicant" is a vital one. A person may be a "member" of the Church, having a connection with it like a dead or dying branch may be connected with the tree, yet be no longer in touch with, no longer in vital communion with the life-giving source of the tree. Our Lord speaks very plainly: "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch and is WITH-ERED."

There is as vast, as vital a difference between a nominal "member" of the Church and a faithful "Communicant"

as there is between the dying and the living. The one tends to death; the other to the more abundant life. This is our Lord's own teaching. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter." It is three-fold. In revising the Communicant list of Christ Church Parish and endeavoring to make it an "honest" report, it is important, first, that it shall include the name of every person in the parish who may honestly be considered a "Communicant."

There are a number of persons living in this vicinity, nominal members of some distant Parish, but seldom if ever attending the services of their distant Parish Church, who ought to be transferred and become Communicants of Christ Church Parish or some other neighboring Parish. The Canon of the Church is explicit and makes this duty clear:

"A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

Delay in doing this has often resulted in persons becoming indifferent to their Church attendance and finally lost to the Church.

Second. Members of this Parish, who have permanently moved away from Germantown and cannot regularly attend the services of Christ Church, ought to apply to me for letters of transfer to the Parish Church whose services they can regularly attend. I shall be exceedingly sorry to lose them; to sever the sacred pastoral relationship which has existed between Rector and people, in some cases for many years; but personal feelings must be subordinated to the greater principle of the good of the Church and the eternal interest of the soul.

Third. I earnestly urge those persons who at present can be classified only as "members," who, through any cause whatsoever, have fallen away and become no longer faithful "Communicants"—I earnestly urge them to begin anew this year, with the resolve and with the determination to return to their Church—its sacred duties, its solemn responsibilities, its blessed privileges—and become again regular and faithful "Communicants."



Septuagesima

Before the next monthly issue of the CHIMES shall have appeared, Septuagesima Sunday will have come and gone. This Sunday comes three weeks before Ash Wednesday, which this year occurs on February 9th. In the Septuagesima season the Church enters the penumbra, as it were, of her Lenten eclipse and all her services are shadowed with the sombre hue of her approaching season of fasting and prayer. The name of this Sunday (Septuagesima) implies that it is seventy days to the Feast of the Resurrection; next Sunday will be Sexagesima, in round numbers, sixty days; then Quinquagesima Sunday, fifty days; and then comes Lent, or forty days to the great Feast of Easter.

Thus, we have turned our backs upon dear old Christmas and the group of holy days that cluster around it, and setting our faces toward the more sober, but still more glorious, light of Easter, we begin to number the days of preparation, which, if duly observed, will fit us to keep the Paschal as the Apostle commands, "not with the old leaven, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

Now, is the way in which the Church counts these days to be regarded as teaching nothing? It is the way of the world to reckon advancing time by *addition*; but the Church now gives us seventy days, and gently hints to us how life is passing as she bids us daily to *subtract* one, that so "we may number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom."

In these seventy days, we thus see a

striking emblem of our three-score years and ten, the completed Christian life, which passes through shadows and tears and trials to the Resurrection. While we persevere through Lent, growing more and more desirous of the sunrise of Easter and rejoicing to find the appointed days diminish as that Day draws near, we learn, also, to pass the few and evil days of our sojourning in this world, feeling every day that we have one day less to live, keeping the Great Day always in view and singing with the psalmist, "When I wake up in Thy likeness, I shall be satisfied."



Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes are now being formed. All persons contemplating Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector at once. The meetings of the class for minors will be held on every Sunday afternoon at 4:30 in the Parish House, beginning Sunday, January 23rd. On Wednesday evenings in Lent a course of addresses on the "Fundamentals of the Christian Faith" will be delivered in the Church, beginning on Ash Wednesday evening, February 9th. These addresses are intended especially for adults who are looking forward to Confirmation, and for all who wish to be informed on the essentials of the Faith, as held and taught by that branch of Catholic Church known as the "Protestant Episcopal Church."

The Rector will be pleased to confer with any person who wishes to see him in regard to Confirmation. He may be seen after any service or by appointment. He will be pleased to recommend or to loan his books on this or other religious subjects to persons applying to him.



Confirmation

Confirmation—the word itself tells its place in each Christian life. It ratifies and confirms the vows already taken in Baptism. Deliberately, once more, the profession is made. Deliberately, once

more, the enlisted soldier of Christ repeats, before the highest officers in the Church, the oath he has already sworn, or that was taken in his name in his infancy by loved ones who would make the tender life develop as the life of a "child of God." Now, he pledges himself to stand by the promises made, to be true to them in evil report and good, and so *confirms* them to his own soul and conscience before God and man.

Confirmation "is a land-mark in the Christian life, a solemn hour, to which memory turns to the latest day; a new and conscious enlistment; a revival of all the old faiths and pledges; the coming to the full stature of a Christian man or woman; the coming of age in Christ's Kingdom; the band which binds youth, in the midst of its temptations, to the altar of God, that it may stand bound in manhood and in age."

Not only does man confirm, but God confirms His grace to that soul. In the appointed way one seeks the appointed blessing; and, coming sincerely, he finds it. "The spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness and holy fear"—all the manifold gifts of full Christian manhood await him as he bows to receive them, assured by this sign and seal—"the laying on of hands."

Confirmation is doubly worthy of the name it bears. Man confirms and God confirms. Man confirms his baptismal vows, his penitence and faith, his trust and promises. God confirms his mercy and love, and the pledge of his unfailing word to guard and succor and strengthen that soul with the indwelling of His eternal Spirit.

Who would not seek this two-fold confirmation—the fixing of human resolution and determination, and the reception of "God's help" in keeping them—the daily growth in Christian grace by the presence and guidance of the promised Spirit in our hearts—the blessing at the chancel rail confirming the blessing at the font.

PARISH NOTES

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Editor
THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.
THE CHIMES will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.
All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Rector at least one week before the date of publication.

Vestry of the Church

James M. Woodroff (1901), Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913), Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M.D. (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.
Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Mr. Henry R. Baremore's Death

At a special meeting of the Vestry held after the funeral of Mr. Henry R. Baremore in Christ Church, December 15th, 1920, the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

"A deplorable accident on Saturday night, December 11th, 1920, resulted in the death of our friend and fellow-vestryman, Mr. Henry R. Baremore.

While this overwhelming catastrophe tests our Christian faith, yet we bow our heads and believe that it was permitted by Almighty God in his infinite wisdom and that it is not granted us in our finite minds to inquire why.

We, as a vestry, intimately connected with Mr. Baremore, and as personal friends, unite in offering our most sincere sympathy and love to his wife and family at this time of their sad bereavement and irreparable loss.

He was known everywhere for his delightful personality and kindly nature, and especially in this Parish for the interest he always manifested, and for his unfailing industry and tact in advancing its interests.

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be spread on the minutes of the Vestry, sent to the family of our deceased member, and to the Church News of the Diocese of Pennsylvania."

F. B. FALKNER,

Secretary.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild has been busy during the past month. We spent the morning of December 23rd getting everything in readiness for the services on Christmas day.

Miss Emma Mogridge has been appointed to take charge of the memorial flower list since the resignation of Miss Ruth Gerhard, due to her absence from the city.

We hope to have our annual supper some time the latter part of this month.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

Jan. 21-Jan. 28: Misses Dean, Crowder, M. Thompson.

Jan. 28-Feb. 4: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Manser, E. Thompson.

Feb. 4-Feb. 11: Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien, Parker.

Feb. 11-Feb. 18: Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

G. F. D.



The Sunday School

Christmas has come and gone and everyone seemed to think it was one of the "Happiest Christmases" the school ever had.

Our church service on Sunday afternoon had a very large attendance, not only of the scholars and men's and women's Bible classes, but also of the parents and friends. The pageant "Advance the Line" was a great success, and we thank most heartily those who took part, especially the Rev. Mr. Goodman, who came over from Holmesburg to act as a messenger. Also Mrs. Price of Mt. Airy, who came to drill those who took part. Also Mrs. Topliff Johnson and her aides, who arranged the pageant. We hope to have another pageant during the year.

Christmas Entertainments.

Our entertainments took place on Tuesday after Christmas and were also a huge success. In the afternoon 75 scholars from the Primary Department sang and played games until long after dark, but as nearly one-half of the scholars brought their mothers, all reached home safely with their arms loaded with dolls, toys and candy.

In the evening the upstairs room was filled to the doors with the scholars of the main school and their parents. The play "Queen Christmas" was given by some of the younger boys and girls, and ask anybody who was there how it went. Mr. Douglass, the ventriloquist, who followed, could not give his feature until he told us how much he enjoyed the play. Our thanks go to everyone who took part, and also to Miss Gill, Miss Cave and Mrs. Christ, who worked hard to arrange it.

Our Christmas offering was \$109.50, just what we needed to support the three French orphans that we have adopted for next year.

Attendance.

Our attendance has been very good during the last two months. The following have been star classes, with every member present: Miss Cave's, Miss Crowder's, Mrs. Schaefer's, Miss Richard's, Miss Sarah Booz's and Miss Johnson's. Also Miss Gill's and Miss Gerhard's twice.

Our school is growing, quite a number of new scholars having come in, and we hope to increase still more this year.

Motto.

Our motto for 1921 is "Each officer, teacher and scholar to give at least one hour a week to some work for the good of the school," which means either to hunt up a new scholar, to visit those who have been absent, or to earn money for some of our mission work. Just think, if we all do this, it means about 240 hours a week, or the work of five people working eight hours a day, six days a week. Just think what that will accomplish if we keep it up, and remember, the motto says *at least* this, and we do not want to stop there.

Envelopes.

Last Easter we started an envelope system for the first time, each one making a pledge for a certain amount they are willing to give each Sunday, whether present or absent, in order to gain the habit of systematic giving to church work, and in looking over the envelope record the last of the year, it shows that it has been a great success, the most of the school having no gaps whatever opposite their names. The Primary Department is especially good, showing that they ask mothers for their envelopes before they start from home each Sunday.

There are some, however, who have some envelopes at home for last year's Sundays that have not been filled, and we hope they will, if possible, bring them in before the end of January, and will not

the parents help us in this matter by asking their children each Sunday morning, "Have you your envelopes?"

The Sunday School wishes the rector and every member of the Church a very happy New Year.

R. H. M.



The Woman's Auxiliary

The Auxiliary is starting the New Year with a more determined effort to help in the missionary work of the Church. We have heard calls for help from China, Japan, the Philippines, the Indians and our own City Missions. We must raise money, and we are going to ask every woman in the congregation to come to our assistance.

The morning sessions, so far, have been fairly well attended, but there is still much sewing to be done for the City Mission. More workers are needed. The all-day meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month. Sewing at ten-thirty. Missionary reports and business meeting at two o'clock.

A. F. W.



The Girls' Friendly Society

Once again you hear from the Girls' Friendly. It is most certainly a very prosperous organization. It seems to me that we take in new members every meeting night. We started the New Year right with a party. Now we've had lots of parties, but this was the "partiest party" we have ever had. Some of the boys of the Church—and others—were invited, and we had a fine orchestra, which two things combined insure a good time. Also we served refreshments, which added much to our happiness. And we had such a crowd out! It certainly was gratifying to those who planned the party to see it such a huge success.

And now we are planning some new work for the coming new year. But I can assure you that whatever it is to be, it will be just wonderful. And if you don't believe me, you had better drop

around Christ Church Parish House on Tuesday evenings and find out what great things we "Friendly Girls" are doing.

G. M. G.



Mothers' Meeting

On Tuesday, January the fourth, the annual dinner of the Mothers' Meeting was held in the Parish House. We were fortunate in having a beautiful day, so the attendance was larger than usual. Thirty guests sat down at the tables. The tables were set in the gymnasium and looked very pretty with their centrepieces of flowers. The favors to hold the salted nuts were very appropriate to the Epiphany season. They were made in the shape of a star. The afternoon opened with a short religious service, after which we adjourned to the dinner table. A delicious dinner was served, followed by piano solos by Miss Beatrice Spooner, recitations and readings by the member of the meeting. We spent a most pleasant afternoon, and our thanks are due to Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Pinkerton, Mrs. Eckersley and Mrs. Rowley for their kindness in helping to make the occasion such a success. We regretted very much that Mrs. Rowley could not be with us, but we felt her presence in the lovely gifts which she sent. Through the kindness of the members, Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Arndt were the recipients of two beautiful vases, which were received with the greatest appreciation.

H. F. A.



Men's Bible Class

The Bible Class has regained its position. They are very much alive.

On December 16th, 1920, we held our Christmas party and it was a "howling" success. I guess you are wondering why "howling," but it was. Mr. Cotton presented everyone with a small present and it had to be opened so that all could enjoy the gift; naturally a "howl" followed, assisted by the noise from Ed. Moore's orchestra, which was there in full force.

We have entered a team in the Germantown Church Bowling League and are doing as good as can be expected. The players are out of practice, but will soon get going and show the other teams that we have to be considered.

A banquet will be given on January 27th, and it is expected that a large turnout will avail themselves of enjoying a "good meal" and "sociable evening." All members of the Parish are cordially invited to this banquet. Tickets are \$1.50 a plate and may be purchased from any member of the class.

NOW, MEN, get busy and sell these tickets, so that this banquet will be the best ever held at the Parish House.

H. A. F.



Junior Auxiliary

The Junior Auxiliary resumed its meetings this fall and has been working busily ever since. Beside money sent to the City Mission and the Expense Fund, we sent to the Indians quite a Christmas box, consisting mostly of toys and books.

Although we have not as many members as we should like, those we have are faithful.

Our present officers are: Margaret Courtney, president; Annette Wells, treasurer; Helen McHenry, secretary, and although she doesn't call herself an officer, Mrs. Gerhard, our adviser and leader.

Our meetings are on Thursday afternoons from four till five o'clock. All young people are invited to join us.

THE SECRETARY.



Order of St. Christopher

The Order of St. Christopher took its name from an early Christian martyr of the third century, who, having committed many crimes, and served the devil, as was believed, in the superstition of those early ages, decided, as a penance for his deeds, to devote his life to carry pilgrims over rivers where no bridges existed. The legend is, that Christ as a little child

came to him one day and asked to be carried over a stream. When, in the middle, the weight becoming heavier every moment, they almost sank, but succeeded in gaining the opposite shore. "Marvel not," the Child said, "for with me thou hast borne the sins of all the world."

The objects of this society, as instituted in Christ Church, are to provide a Crucifer for every Sunday in the year—to perform any acts at the Altar, which the Rector may direct, and to promote Christian fellowship and good feeling among the young men of the Parish.

In January the Crucifer in the morning will be N. Johnson, Jr., and in the evening, R. Hogue.

At the meeting held on January 3, the following members were appointed to serve as Crucifers mornings in January: William N. Johnson, Jr.; evenings in January, Richard W. Hogue, Jr.; mornings in February, Guy Wells; evenings in February, Richard M. Fielding; W. N. J. Jr.



A Parish Dinner

A parish dinner—which will be really a banquet—will be given under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class, on Thursday evening in the Parish House. A very interesting program has been arranged, and prominent speakers will be present. Remember the date—Thursday evening, January 27th, seven o'clock, in the Parish House.



Girls' Scouts

Troop 119, Girl Scouts, holds regular meetings in the Parish House at 7:45 o'clock on Friday evenings.

During the fall several hikes were taken, which were greatly enjoyed by every Scout who attended.

The day before Christmas the Scouts trimmed a birds' Christmas tree, which we are sure the birds enjoyed on Christmas morning.

On Tuesday during Christmas week the Scouts gave a party to which they invited their boy friends. The evening was spent playing progressive games and dancing, everyone declaring they enjoyed the evening very much. Girls are invited to join us.

M. R. R.



Constant Giving

The following is from the "Witness."

"It would be quite impossible for any one of us to determine for another just what was the fair and just measure of his or her obligations, or the exact amount either of service or money they should give through the channels of their Parish Church. We do not in any sense assume to submit any such judgment. On the other hand, we do believe that it is just and fair to say, that one of the primary obligations that rests upon us is to maintain those interests represented in and through our Church and its extensive enterprises.

"There are two or three things we plead for:

"First, the reasonable recognition of our common responsibility. This means the recognition by every one, old and young alike, related to this Parish, of those fair claims which it lays upon them. No excuses or personal conceits, or prejudices can relieve us of this responsibility. The larger the Church the more extensive its interests; and the more efficient its equipment, the greater its responsibilities, obligations and expenses. We do not believe that these things should be made the topics of discussion (except very infrequently) in connection with our Sunday services. Any such discussion has a tendency to divert the worshipper from the consideration of the larger claims of his spiritual life. The place for considering our responsibility and for equitably meeting it is in the home. It is here that we discuss all other responsibil-

ities and obligations, especially those related to the maintenance of the objects that challenge and engage our interest. To sit down seriously and to give proper consideration to the claims of our Parish Church and all its allied interests should certainly be one of the things for household and family discussion.

"Our second point is, that in giving to the Church's maintenance and agencies, we should be utterly consistent. By consistent we mean that our gifts should not be disproportionate when compared with our other gifts, no matter for what purpose they are given. Again, by consistent we mean consecutive, unbroken and unfailing giving. The Church that is business-like in its administration prepares its budgets, both for its own housekeeping and for the maintenance of its charities and other agencies, with just as much care and precision as any secular enterprise or business corporation. If this budget is to be met (and surely the Church should be the leader in consistency along these lines) it must have consistent givers.

"Our third point is, that giving, in our conception of it, is not a thing apart from our expressed religious habit, nor indeed is it extraneous to worship itself. In the conception of it as our Church sets it forth it has its significant place in our prayer-book in the ante-communion office. In other words, those who devised our policy conceived of giving as being analogous in some sense to the great sacrifice to which the Holy Communion witnesses. Hence, it is, in its highest conception, a religious act. There is not a man, woman or child in this Parish, who, if we could sit down and talk with them concerning all these things, but would readily accede to the fairness and justice of the three points we are here making."

A Reminder

When purchasing, don't forget our friends the **Advertisers**.

Give Through the Envelope System

It is earnestly desired to extend the use of the envelope system to every attendant at the services of Christ Church. By this method everyone is given an opportunity to share in the support of the Parish and its work. Children, as well as adult members of the family, are invited to give through this system, thus inculcating in the young the Christian principle of systematic and conscientious giving. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the Church. Everyone is urged to take one of these cards and to sign it for any amount each may feel able to give, on one side as a weekly offering to support the missionary work of the Church and on the other side as an offering to the support of the Parish.

Place this card on the plate on Sunday or send it to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, Wyncote, Pa. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you.

By this method the Church finances do not suffer from the enforced absence of the members on account of sickness or inclement weather.

This method will appeal to every one as the most practical and business-like in meeting the expenses of a Parish.

It is also the Scriptural method: "Upon the first day of this week let every one of you lay by in store as God hath prospered him."

It is the method which will appeal to conscientious people who wish to do their share in the furtherance of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It is hoped that the system will be extended until every one in the Parish will be a contributor through the envelope system.

The pledge, being wholly voluntary, may be reduced, increased or withdrawn at any time by notifying the Rector.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " AT HOME, SATURDAY EVENING

A Letter from the Rector

Christ Church Rectory,
Lent, 1921.

My Dear Friends:

Once again the call of Lent is sounding in our ears, bringing with it its message of unspeakable solemnity to every soul which will hearken. Lent succeeds Lent with a rapidity which almost startles us as the years fly by, and each one brings us nearer to the long ages of that eternity which is so very near to us—so much nearer than we are yet able to realize.

Let us begin this Lent with most earnest prayer to the Holy Spirit for His guidance and blessing upon what we are about to undertake. So much depends upon prayerful preparation. The great Sower will sow His seed now, as always, with the most liberal hand; but its fruitfulness will depend upon the preparation of the ground of the heart. Are we convinced that prayer is the one power which can command the graces of God, and that nothing good and lasting can be done without it? No matter if at the present moment you feel cold and lifeless, and disinclined for the necessary effort; *it is prayer that will remedy this.* Go to God and tell Him exactly how you feel. Put all your trust, not in yourself, but in what you know He is able to give. This very disinclination is often a sign that He means to do great things for you, and that He wants you to recognize

that it is He Who has done it. Have you not found that the most blessed Lents in your past life have been those in which you have been most conscious of your weakness at the beginning, and about which you have prayed very earnestly? Let us, then, begin this Lent, continue and end it in the spirit of earnest, prayer—more earnest prayer.

There is something indescribable about this season of Lent, something which cannot be explained by the mere fact of the extra services and our own penitential discipline, something which I have recognized and wondered at and rejoiced in for very many years; it is like the touch of another world upon the darkness and worldliness of our present lives. It is a wilderness, but the wilderness has blossomed like the rose. It is often a hard and wearisome way, but there are visions of the heavenly country. What can this mean but the "unction of the Holy One," and the magnet power of the cross? There is nothing more certain than this to all who have experienced this atmosphere of Lent. God is always near us, but then He makes His nearness felt, because He sees us really trying to draw near to Him.

But this drawing nigh unto God is not merely the effect of prayer; it is also brought about by *strictness of life*, and the voluntary acceptance of the cross. *There can be no blessing upon a Lent in which self-discipline does not hold a very*

foremost place. The ordinary means are fasting and works of mortification; all earnest Churchmen will want to use these means, but for those who cannot for reasons of health practice these, there must, at least, be a *real renunciation of the world, and of the luxuries of life, however harmless in themselves.* It is impossible to exaggerate the spiritual effect of this voluntary treading the way of the cross. Its influence is felt at once; the scales of worldliness drop from our eyes, the heavenly vision becomes clearer, the interior life is invigorated and new possibilities of holiness open out before the soul. *Can we afford to throw away one of life's great opportunities* for the sake of a little self-indulgence and personal ease? Has not long experience taught us that these have never brought us real happiness or satisfaction? God is the only true end and joy of the soul. When shall we learn this, and give ourselves up without reserve to seek Him? I pray that the hearts of the men and women—and the children, too—of Christ Church will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to make this Lenten season an occasion of *real sacrifice, of unselfish devotion—a spiritual feast* for the soul.

This we can do only by using the divine means of grace which our Saviour has bequeathed unto us—*fasting, prayer and sacrament.*

Faithfully yours,

CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.



The Lenten Services

The schedule of special Lenten services will be found on another page of this issue of the CHIMES. The hours of the services have been arranged, as far as possible, to meet every class of people within the Parish. The early Celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday has been appointed at half-past 7 o'clock, that business people and others may attend before going to their work and thus avail themselves on Ash Wednesday of a proper beginning of the season of Lent. The afternoon services are put at an hour to meet the largest number

of parishioners who remain in Germantown during the day. The Wednesday night services are especially intended for persons who are not able to attend during the day. Persons who are thinking of being confirmed should attend these services.

It is earnestly hoped that every one in the Parish will select certain services which they will endeavor faithfully to attend and will not allow anything—except a most serious cause—to interfere with the conscientious discharge of a solemn duty.



Be Confirmed

The Bishop will visit this Parish (D. V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, March 24th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector affectionately urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to him at once. He will be happy to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, come to him and tell him your troubles. He will help you.

The Prayer Book, in the Communion Office, so states it: "If any of you cannot quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of his conscience and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness."

The Rector is most anxious to help any one who may be in doubt or trouble, and will gladly do all within his power for any one who comes to him.



Special Lenten Preachers

By reference to another column it will be seen that the people of Christ Church are to have the privilege of hearing five special preachers on Sunday evenings in Lent. Each speaker has a special message to give to the people of this Par-

ish. Every member should come to hear it.

I specially ask the people of Christ Church to make it one of their Lenten duties to *attend the Sunday evening services.* We should show these clergymen, who take the time and trouble to come to speak to us, that the members of Christ Church are not an ungrateful but are an appreciative people. Let this be the Lenten resolve: "I will, God willing, attend every Sunday evening service during Lent!"



Begin Lent aright! On Ash Wednesday there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Before going to your duties of the day—your business, your school, your household duties—"come apart for a while with God"; begin this Lenten season aright by dedication of yourself, your soul and body, to God and by receiving the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ! Begin aright!



The Week-Day Lenten Services

The services on week days during Lent will be held in the side chapel, with the exception of the Wednesday night service, which will be, as usual, in the nave of the church.

Attendants at the afternoon services are requested to sit together in the south transept, instead of being scattered throughout the main body of the church. This will add to the heartiness of the singing and interest in the service.



Persons who are willing to assist in the singing at the Lenten services are requested to give their names to the Rector. There are a number of persons in the Parish who might render this much as their Lenten offering. The Rector will gladly welcome them and will appreciate their services.



Why not make it a Lenten object to bring at least one child to Holy Baptism or some "backslider" back again to

his church duties and privileges, or to lead some hesitating friend to Christ and to Confirmation?

Make some specific, definite object your duty during this Lent. Let it not be a "negative Lent," but a *positive* Lent; something definitely undertaken and done; something unselfish, something constructive to the bringing in of the Kingdom of God and His Christ!



Some people are habitually late to church service. The habit should be overcome. To enter the service late is disconcerting to others and seriously interrupts the service. It is a form of selfishness, on the part of those who practice it. One should be in church long before the service begins, to prepare one's mind and spirit to receive the precious things that there are given. No one who rushes to church or comes in late can be so prepared.



The Prayer Book is given by the church to be *used by the worshippers.* It should be opened and the eyes of each worshipper should be riveted upon it. During the singing of the canticles, instead of looking about the congregation or at the choir, follow the words in your Prayer Book. However familiar you may be with the service, follow, with your book before you, every sentence, every collect, Gospel, Epistle, as the minister reads it. It is called the "Book of Common Prayer," and so it is intended to be—*common* between minister and people; every service in it to be entered into by minister and people together; and this purpose cannot be carried out if the people do not follow the minister as he reads the service.

Keep your Prayer Book *open* and your eyes on the service as it is read by the minister!



And this leads to the further suggestion that every one should own and carry with him his own Prayer Book and Hymnal. Additional books may be kept

PARISH NOTES

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THE RECTOR

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Vestry of the Church

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Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
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Edward Bains (1914)
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Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

- Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
- Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
- Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
- Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
- Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
- Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
- Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
- Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
- Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
- Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
- Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
- Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
- Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
- Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
- Vestment Guild—First Friday.
- St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title 11: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

in the pews, but every worshipper should bring with him to church and take home with him his own personal Prayer Book and Hymnal. Your Prayer Book will come to mean something, then, by its long and faithful usage and its sacred associations. Our "mother's Prayer Book," our "father's Prayer Book" will, some day, be as "holy" as their Bible.

Bring your own Prayer Books and Hymnals to church with you and take them home with you when you go!

The Prayer Books and Hymnals at the doors of the church are intended for strangers, not for the regular attendants at the services.



Easter Offering

Let every one begin now to lay aside each day a certain, definite sum to be placed on the plate on Easter Day. Let this offering represent some real sacrifice. The minimum Easter offering for every adult communicant of the church should be \$5.00. Every child should give at least one dollar. Every man and woman in the Parish should give at least five dollars as a thank-offering on Easter Day. Five dollars, for forty days in Lent, means less than thirteen cents (13 cents) a day. One dollar, for forty days, means for each child two and one-half (2½) cents a day. No one so poor who cannot lay aside at least that small amount. If need be, let us sacrifice street car fares, or give up something which you can do without and put aside the cost for your Easter offering. There is no child that cannot save or earn in some way that much, two and one-half cents, a day. "Where there is a will there is a way." Let every one will to do at least that much for an Easter offering. Of course, there are many who can and will give on Easter Day very much more than these amounts. There should not be any coin—unless it be gold coin—on the plate on Easter.

This, then, should be the goal fixed by every adult: "Five dollars (\$5.00) at least for my Easter offering!" The goal for every child should be: "One

dollar (\$1.00) at least for my Easter offering!" Of course, many persons in the Parish can and will want to give very much more.

Certainly, nothing less can represent any real Christian giving.



The Rector wishes to call special attention to two important notices, which appear in another column of the CHIMES.

The first is:

An Inter-Parochial Class—to study the "Needs and Activities of the Church." This class will be held at St. Luke's Parish House on Monday evenings in Lent, beginning on Monday evening, February 7th, at 8 o'clock.

The important feature of this class is that it is intended for men and women. All the parishes in Germantown and Chestnut Hill will be represented. I am very anxious that a large number of men and women from Christ Church shall attend. The class will be led by the Educational Secretary of the Diocese. Will not the men and women of this Parish set aside Monday evenings in Lent and avail themselves of the privilege of attending this Class?

The second notice of importance is:

An Afternoon Mission Study Class to be held in Christ Church.

This class is especially intended for women who cannot attend a meeting in the evening. The interesting subject to be studied will be the "Survey," arranged by the Nation-Wide Campaign Committee. The leader will be Mrs. Samuel Porcher, of Chestnut Hill. The course of study will be of intense interest to all women. Remember the date! Beginning Friday afternoon at 3.30 and continuing every Friday afternoon in Lent at the same hour.



Services in Lent

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential
Office, Sermon..... 11.00 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address.... 4.45 P. M.
Evening Service, Sermon.... 8.00 P. M.

Sundays

Holy Communion, Every Sunday 7.30 A. M.
 Morning Service, Sermon (Holy Communion, First Sunday) 11.00 A. M.
 Evening Service, Sermon (Special Preachers. See list below*) 7.45 P. M.
 Service in Church for Sunday School (First Sunday in month) 9.45 A. M.
 Church School and Bible Classes (in Parish House) 9.45 A. M.
 Women's Bible Class 3.00 P. M.
 Young People's Half-Hour Service of Song (Parish House) 7.00 P. M.
 (In charge of Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Daughters of the King.)

Weekdays

Every afternoon (Five-Minute Devotional Reading) ... 4.45 P. M.
 (Except Wednesday and Saturday)
 Every Wednesday, Litany,
 Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
 Evening Service, Address (See below*)

**Confirmation Lectures**

For minors, every Sunday afternoon, 4 o'clock (in Parish House).
 For adults, every Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock (in Church).

*Subject for Wednesday Evenings
 Five Lectures on the "Teachings of the Church."

**†Special Lenten Preachers**

Sunday Evening, February 13th—The Rev. Henry G. G. Vincent, Rector, "House of Prayer," Branchtown.

Sunday Evening, Feb. 20th—The Rev. Percy R. Stockman, Rector, Old Swedes Church, Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, Feb. 27th—The Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, D.D., Rector, St. Paul's Church, Ogontz.

Sunday Evening, March 6th—The Rev. Joseph Manuel, Rector, St. Barnabas', West Philadelphia.

Sunday Evening, March 13th—The Rev. Crosswell McBee, Rector, St. John's Church, Lansdowne.

**Kalendar for Lent**

"Welcome, dear Feast of Lent."
 Feb. 9—Ash Wednesday.
 Feb. 13—First Sunday in Lent.
 Feb. 16, 18, 19—Ember Days.
 Feb. 20—Second Sunday in Lent.
 Feb. 24—St. Matthias.
 Feb. 27—Third Sunday in Lent.
 March 6—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
 March 13—Fifth (Passion) Sunday in Lent.
 March 20—Sixth (Palm) Sunday in Lent.
 March 21—Monday before Easter.
 March 22—Tuesday before Easter.
 March 23—Wednesday before Easter.
 March 25—Maundy Thursday (Confirmation).
 March 25—Good Friday.
 March 26—Easter Even.
 March 27—Easter Day.

**Consult the List of Services**

On another page will be found in full the list of special services for the Forty Days of Lent. Consult this list carefully. Select certain services from this list and make a firm resolution that, God willing, you will be regular and faithful in your attendance. Be in earnest! Let nothing but God's will swerve you from your determination!

**Special Preachers—Sunday Evenings**

The special preachers on Sunday evenings in Lent will have an important message for you. Do not fail to attend every Sunday Evening Service during Lent! List of speakers will be found on another page.

**Confirmation Instruction**

Instructions on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church are being delivered in the Church every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock for adults and every Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock for minors in the Parish House.

All persons, confirmed and not confirmed, are cordially invited to these instructions.

The Rector will be pleased to meet after any service or by special appointment any one who wishes to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation. He requests that all who are contemplating Confirmation should give their names to him at once.

**A Mission Study Class for Men and Women**

An Inter-Parochial Class to study the "Needs and Activities of the Church" will be held on seven successive Monday evenings, beginning February 7th, at 8 o'clock, in St. Luke's Parish House, Germantown avenue and Coulter street. The leader of the class will be Mrs. H. A. Pilsbry, Educational Secretary of the Diocese. This class is open to both men and women, and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of this exceptional opportunity.

Names of those interested may be sent to Miss C. Ethel Upjohn, St. Luke's Rectory, Germantown.

**Afternoon Mission Study Class to be Held in Christ Church**

A mission study class for the women of this Parish will be held in Christ Church Parish House every Friday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, beginning Friday, February 4th. Mrs. Samuel Porcher, of Chestnut Hill, has kindly consented to act as leader. Here is a chance for every woman in the Parish to avail herself of the opportunity of spending an interesting and profitable hour in the study of missions. *All women in this vicinity—whether they are members of this Parish or not—are cordially invited to attend.* Remember the date—beginning Friday, February 4th, and continuing every Friday in Lent at 3.30 o'clock.

**Up or Down?**

We do not know who said it, but it was well said: "People who are down on

missions are usually those who are not up on missions." There is a world of truth in this simple statement which lies at the bottom of all the modern movement toward missionary education. Again and again it has been demonstrated that opposition to missions, as such, has its foundation only in ignorance. How many times have we heard of persons who had "no use for missions," yet after a trip through foreign lands, with seeing eyes and an open mind, have become enthusiastic advocates of that which they once condemned?

**The Sunday School**

In the last issue of the CHIMES a report was made of our activities up to January 1st, so in this issue we will only say a few words as to the future. First, let us repeat our motto:

Each officer, teacher and scholar to give at least one hour a week to some work for the good of the school.

Let us all get this into our minds and then not forget it is there, but bring it out and use it by hunting up a new scholar or going to see an old scholar of your class who has been absent, or by earning some money especially for our mission work.

You know that no organization grows or improves unless every one connected with it works for its interests, and we can all spare one hour a week for our school and still do everything else that we are doing now. Fathers and mothers can help by asking their sons and daughters each week about that hour's work.

Ash Wednesday is nearly here, and the Lenten mite boxes are ready to be given out on February 6th. Last year our Easter offering from the mite boxes for missions was one-third more than the year before. This year we want to make it one-half more than last year, and the only way we can do this is by systematically putting in something each day, instead of waiting until Easter morning, when we may find our pockets empty.

Keep the mite box on your bureau and drop in a coin each night before going

to bed, and we can easily attain the amount that we have set.

We wish to welcome Miss Margaret Hoague, who has just come to us as a teacher in the Primary Department.

R. H. M.



The Men's Bible Class Dinner

The Men's Bible Class dinner given in the Parish House on January 27th was a great success. One hundred and twenty strong sat down to a sumptuous repast, which was interspersed with speeches "right off the bat," most of the speakers being members of the class. Much credit is due to the committee in charge for the management of this successful entertainment.

All men in this community are invited to join this Men's Bible Class. We meet in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 9.45 and between times for social times.

Come and join us!

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The Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary held their monthly meeting on January 27th. The morning session was, as usual, devoted to sewing; the business meeting was called at 2 o'clock. At this meeting it was decided to issue a letter to the women of the Parish, urging them to help in the work of the Auxiliary. Plans were discussed as to the best way for our church to accede to the request of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary to give a certain percentage of the money needed for the expense of packing and forwarding the missionary boxes. We will have a sale of jellies and similar articles for this purpose. Notice of this sale will be given later. Mrs. H. A. Cannon, the United Thank-offering Treasurer of Christ Church, asked that we should do our share towards bearing the overhead expenses of the United Thank-offering Treasurer of the Diocese. We will be very glad to do this. After Easter it is planned to have an apron, cake and candy sale, the pro-

ceeds of which will go towards the work of the Auxiliary. During Lent we will hold our meetings weekly on Fridays at 11 A. M., beginning February 11. (Please note change of day.) Will not each woman set apart that day and come and help with the sewing? Under a new arrangement each Parish is apportioned a certain amount of sewing. Can we not all work so that we will be able to accomplish much more than is asked of us? After luncheon the sewing will continue until 3.30, when we will adjourn to a mission study class. Mrs. Samuel Porcher, of St. Martin's Parish, has kindly consented to act as our leader. The topic for this year is the "Survey," arranged by the Nation-Wide Campaign Committee. The study of the "Survey" will give us all an intelligent understanding of the work and the needs of our mission fields. It is hoped that a large number of women will avail themselves of the privilege of joining this class. Those who wish to join are asked to send their names to the secretary, Mrs. Frank Wells, 244 West Hortter street.

A. F. W.



Girls' Friendly Society

Enthusiasm shown by the members of the Girls' Friendly in their different work has been remarkable. They are setting the pace for the other Parish societies. Since January 1st we have enrolled six new members.

The arts and craft class is turning out some ingenious and beautiful work. These articles will be disposed of at a sale in the spring. Keep this in mind, as this is a rare opportunity to secure these beautiful gifts.

During Lent the Girls' Friendly is going to *do something and for somebody else*, which is the real essence of this society. They will sew for charity.

The meetings are every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, in the Parish House. All live girls wanted! Come spend an evening with us and you will be sure to become a member.

E. D. S.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild will be very busy during Lent arranging for the daily services. At the regular monthly business meeting held January 10th it was decided to postpone the annual supper until some time later on in the spring.

The Serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

Feb. 4th to 11th—Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien, Parker.

Feb. 11th to 18th—Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

Feb. 18th to 25th—Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

Feb. 25th to March 4th—Misses Manser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

G. F. D.



Resist Beginnings

You cannot curb the power of the river; choke its source. You cannot arrest the fury of the conflagration; put out the spark. It is almost impossible to check hatreds that have been allowed free course; never let them begin. An animosity will sometimes spring up before one knows it; make its life a brief one. Animosity grows into ill will and malignity and rancor, and these are far more hurtful to ourselves than to those against whom they are directed. Subdue them by the spirit of Christ, without which we are none of His.—*Selected*.



Envelope Subscribers in Arrears

The Accounting Warden has given to the Rector the names of a number of subscribers to the envelope system who are in arrears—some of them for several months. There are a few who made pledges and have not given anything through the envelopes. Some of these persons, the Rector knows, have been absent from the city, or have been ill. These persons, of course, will remit in full as soon as they are able to return to the services of the church. There are others on the list who have overlooked this duty, possibly through forgetfulness or it may be carelessness. As all pledges

are entirely voluntary, any who wish to withdraw their pledges may do so at any time, by notifying the Rector or the Warden. But, until this is done, the Warden takes it for granted that the subscriber intends to fulfill his or her pledge.

There is needed about \$1,000.00 for the urgent repair to the rectory roof, which must be attended to at once. It will, therefore, be a great relief to the Warden, if all who are in arrears will kindly send to him the amount due, as soon as possible.



Some Suggestions for Lent

1. Be present as far as possible at every service of the church. The benefit will be to others as well as to yourself.

2. Make your Communion more frequently and with a more definite purpose and preparation.

3. Read the Scriptures regularly and meditate upon what you read. Too many treat the Bible as a book of the past.

4. Pray until prayer becomes a habit, turning to God at all times as naturally as the flower turns to the sun.

5. Keep a strict watch over the door of your lips this Lent. If you cannot speak well of others, say nothing.

6. Deny yourself every luxury and add the cost of it to your Easter offering. The cost of self-denial should be *given*, not saved.

7. Refrain from entertainments and places of public amusement. "Love dissipated upon many objects concentrates itself upon none."

8. Let self-examination be a daily duty. It is not a question of where you stand, but *whither* you are moving.

9. Be regular in your attendance to whatever guild or society you belong. *Nominal* membership counts for nothing save a discouragement to others and a discredit to yourself.

10. Make your *Lent positive*, not merely negative. Undertake some practical work for good, and carry it through.

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The Rector's Notes

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"Is it nothing to you,  all ye that pass by?"

O Lord Jesus, keep me ever near Thy side in these closing days of Thy fasting, of Thy Passion and of Thy Death!

O Lord Jesus, give me of Thy Holy Spirit, that following Thee to the Cross, I may learn of Thee how to live, how to suffer and how to die!

O Lord Jesus, bring back again to Thy fold those who have strayed away (especially) and make them truly Thine!

And those who know not Thee—O Lord Jesus, give me a deep sense of my duty to them, that by my sacrifice, by my life, by my all, I may be an instrument in Thy hand of spreading Thy Kingdom upon earth, Thy peace and goodwill among men! Amen! Amen!

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"Is It Nothing to You All Ye That
Pass by?"

The Forty Days are drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and, beneath the Paschal moon, we now enter into the mystery of the awful Passion of our Lord.

With bowed head we contemplate the Cross, rising out of the sacred hill of Calvary, and on the Cross we behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Lamb of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world."

"Indeed," says a devout writer, "one scarcely ventures to write upon so sacred

a subject. Christ's members should strive silently to realize it for themselves, following our Blessed Lord in thought and prayer through the scenes of His suffering and death."



Let each one of us, during this Holy Week which now draws near, this "Week of Stillness"—let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty, trifling schemes, its vanities, and contemplate in awe and reverence the closing scenes of our Lord's earthly life, from the triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly wended His way along the *via Dolorosa*, passing through the gates of the city which rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary.



At the daily celebration of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints, in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated in Christ Church every morning at half after seven o'clock, from Palm Sunday morning until Maundy Thursday, inclusive; also on Wednesday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

Let every one who would seek to follow our Saviour during these closing hours of His Passion—every business man before going to his business, every woman before entering upon her household duties, every boy and girl before going to school—come apart for one short half hour at the beginning of each day of this Holy Week and before God's altar meditate upon the Passion of our Lord and draw near in communion with Him.



"Daily Meditations" will be held during Holy Week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 4.45 o'clock.



Good Friday

The daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday in the Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon. This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential office, Pro-Anaphora and address.

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood
Uphears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's sufferings, want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation and in Prayer? Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!



Easter Communion

As these solemn days of Lent draw slowly to their close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations, in His sufferings and at the Cross, will

be preparing and will be yearning to be with Him on the happy Resurrection morn in the joy of the Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of Festivals," and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion. Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies our "holy thanksgiving." In the words of the prayer of Consecration, in the Communion office, "having in remembrance His blessed Passion and precious Death, His *Mighty Resurrection* and glorious *Ascension*," we render unto God our most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same. If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord we may truly share, at the Holy Eucharist, on Easter Day, the joys of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our risen Lord and unite together with all God's saints in "one holy communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son, Christ our Lord," and "with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven" join in the beatific praise, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty." This is the communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw "when, in the spirit on the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened to him"; and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's Saints who draw near unto Him in spirit on this great Day of the Lord—The Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.



Easter Communion

Everyone, of course—everyone who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to come to God's House, will, of course, attend Divine Service on *Easter Day*! It would be worse than foolish to suggest that any Christian will remain away on *Easter Day*! Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book which says, "Every parishioner

shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with the risen Jesus on that great Day.

Every member of the Church will devote himself during these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.



Deaths

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the Last Day, and the life of the world to come."

January 5—Esola Earle Beale (Mrs.).
January 10—James H. Eckersley.
January 20—Margaret Ada Potter (Mrs)
January 23—Sarah Brooker.
January 28—Lewis Rhetenback.
February 4—William John Jacobs.
February 15—Elizabeth Jones.
February 18—Arthur William Hood.
February 22—George Coupe.
February 28—Rebecca Moynahan (Mrs.).

March 1—Jane P. Johnson



Our Easter Offering

Our offering, on Easter Day, should be an expression of our love and our loyalty to Jesus Christ. It should represent sacrifice! An Easter offering, in any other spirit, is a mere mockery, a mere travesty, a mere imitation of real religion.

Whilst I am interested in and hope that the full amount asked by the Vestry from the congregation may be, as it should be, fully realized, I am not primarily interested in the *amount*. I am more interested that there shall be, in every member of our parish, the true *spirit of Christian giving*; that each gift may be the *expression of true devotion to Christ and His Church*. And no gift can be called "a religious offering" that does not represent this spirit—the spirit of *love and sacrifice*!

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver be very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and acceptable to God than the offerings of the rich.

But my observation and experience, during a long ministry, has convinced me that the small coin in the offering is not given, as a rule, by the poor. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldling. And such giving, I repeat, represents, in no sense, *Christian giving*; it is not a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services in no sense "a collection." The word "collection," in reference to giving in Church, should never be used. It is an *offering*, an offering to God, and as such is an essential part of *worship*; and the rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that the "devotions of the people shall be brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it (to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

David of old said, "I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing." And surely if David realized the meaning and the significance of an "offering unto the Lord," no follower of Jesus Christ can be truly said to have part in the solemn and serious worship of God, who lightly "offers unto the Lord that which costs him nothing."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of *love*. And how much love is there in the man, how much joy can come to any person—unless he is very poor—who puts on the plate a nickel or a dime or a quarter on *Easter Morning*? "Freely have ye received, freely give."



Easter Greetings!

A Happy Easter, full of grace and peace and joy! Out of the shadows of Good Friday the Easter light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with radiant hope. The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back from Easter morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see that darkness was the precursor of the dawn. The glad news that encircles the earth today and

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.
Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

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Memorial Pew.

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

visits each hamlet and village and city and makes hearts beat quicker for joy is the announcement made to the disciples of old and repeated through all the Christian centuries: "The Lord is Risen Today!" What a difference it would make if we could always see clearly in the light of Easter Day the meaning of the dark days, the failuries, the tragedies of life! God grant that at this Easter-tide we may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, is, to those who live in Christ, but the herald of new light and joy. Let us rejoice, then, this day as we look into the sepulchre, "He is not here, *He has risen!*" Let us weave this truth and this fact into our lives! Let it give courage to the strugglers, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every heart; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection, and the Life, whoso believeth in me, though He were dead, yet shall he live, and whoso so liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

Easter Memorial Flowers

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the *Blessed Dead*. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions as soon as possible, either to the Rector or to Miss Elizabeth L. Chase, 152 E. Washington Lane. The members of the Guild will personally select the flowers and will see that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. Persons who desire to make their own selections of blooming plants or flowers are requested to have them at the Parish House on Friday or *early on Saturday morning*, so that they may be arranged in the chancel before the Saturday afternoon service.

All are invited to send contributions to the Easter Memorial, either in money

or flowers, and any contribution, however small, will be gratefully received.



Services on Easter Day

Holy Communion.....6.30, 7.30 a. m.
Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon.....11.00 a. m.
Church Schools' Easter Carol
Service7.30 p. m.



Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week,
Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

It is earnestly hoped that not one communicant of Christ Church will remain away from the Holy Communion on Easter Day, unless Providentially hindered. Everyone should *so thoroughly prepare* himself during the remaining days of Lent that he may come worthily to meet his Risen Saviour, "reckoning himself to be dead indeed unto sin; but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord."



Three-Hour Service on Good Friday

The Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. W. Northey Jones, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy.

Every one who possibly can do so should attend this wonderfully helpful service.

It is requested that persons shall be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.



Confirmation Service

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D.D., will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, March 24th. The Confirmation Service will be held at 7.45 o'clock.

Services in Christ Church During Holy Week

"Is it nothing to you,



all ye that pass by?"

Monday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 a. m.
Meditative Reading on the
Sacred Event of the Day. 4.45 p. m.

Tuesday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 a. m.
Meditative Reading on the
Sacred Event of the Day. 4.45 p. m.

Wednesday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 a. m.
Litany, Holy Communion,
Address 9.30 a. m.
Meditative Reading on the
Sacred Event of the Day. 4.45 p. m.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 a. m.
Meditative Reading on the
Sacred Event of the Day. 4.45 p. m.

The Easter Music

The music on Easter Day will include the following:

Processional—"Welcome, Happy Morning."

"Christ Our Passover"—Chappell.

Te Deum in B flat—Stainer.

Kyrie, E flat—Mendelssohn.

Gloria Tibi, B flat—Stainer.

Anthem—"Now is Christ Risen from the Dead"—Allen.

Hallelujah Chorus (Messiah)—Handel.

Sursum Corda—Camidge.

Ter Sanctus—Gounod.

Hymn—"Jesus Christ is Risen Today."

Gloria in Excelsis—Cramer.

Retrocessional—"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done."

The Church Schools' Easter Carol Service will be held in the Church at 7.30 P. M.



Subscribers to "The Chimes"

The following persons have sent subscriptions or contributions to the CHIMES since our last acknowledgment: Francis B. Falkner, Charles H. Jackson, Miss

Confirmation and Address
by the Rt. Rev. Thomas
J. Garland, D.D.

Good Friday

Penitential Office, Pro-
Anaphora, Address..... 10.30 a. m.
Three-Hour Meditation on
the Seven Words from
the Cross..... 12 m., 3 p. m.
Conducted by the Rev.
W. Northey Jones.

Easter Even

Evening Prayer, Baptism. . 4.45 p. m.

Easter Day

Holy Communion..... 6.30, 7.30 a. m.
Morning Prayer, Holy Com-
munion, Sermon..... 11.00 a. m.
Church School Carol Serv-
ice 7.30 p. m.

Nixon, Mrs. Charles Wismer, Mrs. John McGill, James M. Woodroffe, Mrs. Laura Wolfe, Charles W. Sutcliffe, Miss Carrie Parker, Samuel Gerhart.

It is hoped that other members of the congregation who have not as yet sent in their subscriptions or contributions will do so. *We need the money!* Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman street, Germantown.



What is Confirmation?

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts viii, xix and Heb. vi) has ever been continued by the Church as 1st, the renewal of the Baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite practiced from the time of the Apostles endorsed by the fathers of the Church.

A. D. 180. Tertullian:—"After Baptism—then the Imposition of Hands"

A. D. 250. Cyprian:—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome:—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The Prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from this period. From this time on to the present there cannot be any doubt concerning Confirmation or *The Laying on of Hands by the Bishop* being a Ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and therefore went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptism Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substituted unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, Sept. 25, 1742.

Congregational Testimony—"The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."—Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years, shows clearly that the Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a Mother over her baptized children."—Committee of Gen. Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. 'Such imposition I highly approve, and wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition.'—John Calvin.



New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all, to subscribe through the Envelope

System. Former subscribers, who are pew holders, will find their envelopes in their pews; others will find their envelopes arranged in alphabetical order on the table near the South entrance.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign name and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For rental of pews or for further information, please apply, after any service, to Mr. Richard H. Morris or to the Accounting Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, or by addressing the Warden at 328 South Third street.



The Church School

OUR MOTTO

Each Officer, Teacher and Scholar to Give at Least One Hour a Week to Some Work for the Good of the School.

General Grant said he proposed to fight it out if it took all summer, and we want to keep our motto before us until we get it thoroughly fixed in our minds, to follow out in winter and summer just what our motto says.

Our report for the two months since January 1st shows a good attendance record, notwithstanding the last two Sundays when weather conditions were bad. The following have been Star Classes, with every member present once: Misses Gerhardt's, Crowder's, Hamilton's, Ida Booz', Mrs. Christ, Mrs. Schaefer, Mr. Parker's, and Miss Cave's class twice. We have secured one new teacher and fourteen new scholars and our offerings for the nine Sundays have been \$140.00.

On February 20th we had a very interesting talk by a Missionary, just returned from China, and the Men's Bible Class visited us for the purpose of hearing the talk and joining in our closing service. We enjoyed having them very much and hope they will come soon again.

Our Birthday Fund is growing rapidly. There seem to be a great many birthdays at this time of year, and for the benefit of those who do not know about it, will say that each one of us on our birthday puts in one penny for each year of his or her age. Last Sunday we had a surprise. We found one of our members was 200 years old, as we received a two-dollar bill.

We have installed a question box in which every member is invited to put a slip of paper with constructive suggestions. We have already received one or two good ideas.

The Mite Boxes for our Lenten offerings for missions have been given to every scholar with the suggestion to place them on the bureau and put some coin in each night before going to bed, so that when Easter comes we will find our offering is larger than ever before. Last year we gave about \$230, and we hope to have over \$250 this year, and we have no objection whatever to fathers and mothers helping us out.

Additional Mite Boxes will be provided when the first one is filled up.

Our Easter services will be held at 7.30 Easter evening in the Church, and we hope that the Rev. Mr. Hogue will speak to us. He will come to us, not as a stranger, but almost as a member of the school, as we already have three of his family as our faithful members.

Christ Church Sunday School wishes our parents and friends and all members of the Church

A Very Happy Eastertide.

R. H. M.

✠ Election of Vestrymen

The Annual Election of Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, March 28th, between the hour of 5 and 6 P. M.

The terms of the following members of the Vestry expire this year: J. I. Morrison, Edward Bains and U. G. Rowley. The vacancy caused by the death of Henry R. Baremore is also to be filled.

The following excerpt is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article I, Section 8. "Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for

the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the south-east vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person so nominated shall be a candidate."

(Charter of Incorporation, Article 6.)

"The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Such elections shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year, between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide, and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of this Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscription of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period."



Vestrymen as Guides in Spirituality

As indicating that vestrymen need not necessarily confine their influence within a parish to purely material matters, the following circular letter recently addressed by the members of the vestry to the parishioners of St. John's Church, Knoxville, Tenn., bears witness:

"In an address recently made to the congregation of our church, the Rector incidentally called attention to the fact that the average number of persons partaking of the Holy Communion at the regular service on the first Sunday of the month is only about one-sixth of the number of the confirmed persons on the record of the parish.

"While neither as vestrymen nor individually do we wish to be considered as dictating to others their duty as church-

men we do, in the most fraternal spirit possible, invite your attention to the fact that our people are not as mindful as they should be of the privilege which is theirs, of heeding the Master's injunction: 'Do this in remembrance of Me.' It is the one way in which we, as Christian men and women, can show our loyalty to Christ our Saviour, manifest the faith we profess, and prove that we are not ashamed of that profession of our religion.

"We beg you to consider this matter not as a duty, but as the exercise of the spirit of true worship, as an aid to personal religious strength, as the real source of a quiet mind and a calm temper in the midst of this changing and transitory life, as the means of reviving our faith in our Lord if it has been neglected, forgotten, or denied, and as the guide into the way of truth and in righteousness of life.

"We also wish to know that as vestrymen and your chosen stewards, we most heartily commend and endorse the present plans for the support of missions, both foreign and diocesan, and every good work which is being carried on in our parish life for the upbuild of Christ's Kingdom and the good of our fellow-men."

The letter was signed by twelve vestrymen.



The Women's Auxiliary

The Lenten season seems to have given a fresh impetus to the work of the Women's Missionary Society. The sewing classes, held every Friday from 11 o'clock in the morning until 3 in the afternoon, have been well attended. The work apportioned to our parish by the Diocesan Supply Bureau is well under way. Those wishing to stay for the entire day bring their lunch, and the noon hour of rest and refreshment is a very pleasant diversion in the day's work.

At a quarter past three the Mission Study Class is held. We feel that we have been most fortunate in securing Mrs. Porcher to lead us in these classes. She has made them most interesting and instructive.

The regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary has been changed from the third Thursday to the third Friday of the month. At these meetings we plan ways of raising money for missionary work! We have sent out envelopes to many women of the congregation, asking them to lay aside a certain sum each week for this purpose. We are glad to say that sixty women have responded and offered to give a definite amount each week. We hope to receive replies from the other women.

We are going to hold a sale of aprons and other useful articles on Friday, April 8th. There will also be a luncheon served on that day, to which all women are invited.

We have great expectations, but we will need everyone's help and cooperation to realize them. We make an earnest plea to every woman member of Christ Church to help us. A. F. W.



Altar Guild

The Altar Guild will be at the church Saturday morning, March 19th, to split palms and decorate for Palm Sunday. We will also spend the day at the church Saturday, March 26th, decorating for Easter. The flowers in the Chancel on Easter are in memory of the departed. Members of the congregation who wish to send memorial flowers are asked to have them at the Parish House on Saturday morning, March 26th. Anyone preferring to send money contributions for the flowers may send the same, as soon as possible, either to the Rector or to Miss Elizabeth Chase, 152 East Washington Lane, and the flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild.

We were very glad to have Mr. Arndt with us at our last meeting held February 14th. He gave us a very helpful talk.

The sewing committees for the coming month are as follows:

March 18th to 25th, Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

March 25th to 31st, Misses Manser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

April 1st to 8th, Misses Chase, Alexander, Strien, Parker.

April 8th to 15th, Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge. G.D.

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The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY 6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " AT HOME, SATURDAY EVENING

The Easter Communion

Four hundred and eighty-nine persons received Holy Communion in Christ Church on Easter Day. This is the largest number on record. It represents about eighty per cent of the Communicant list of the Parish. This is a splendid showing and is evidence of a general realization of the spiritual privileges which should be enjoyed by all. It is hoped that it also has an intensive meaning—a deepening of the spiritual life of the Parish.

Of the twenty per cent of Communicants who were absent on Easter Day, the Rector believes that he can account for about seven per cent, who were sick or too feeble to attend Church; about three per cent, who were out of town; about five per cent, who come under the caption "arrested spiritual development," in other words, "worldly" or careless; and the remaining five per cent of those absent come under the head of "dead wood"—those who seem to have become dead to every spiritual appeal and influence. May the Holy Spirit touch their hearts and bring them again to life and light!

Our thoughts and our prayers were for those who were sick or too feeble to be present in Church on Easter Day. We paused and remembered many, by name, as we prayed in the Communion Service, "We most humbly beseech Thee, of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness

or any other adversity." And, as the memorial flowers which filled the chancel and covered the altar brought to mind the memories of the blessed dead, our thoughts went out to them in our prayers: "We also bless Thy holy name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow their good example, that with them we may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom."

What a blessed privilege it was—this Easter Communion with our Risen Lord! And each Sunday is an Easter Day—it is the Lord's Day. What a perpetual spiritual feast our Sundays would be if we but remembered this! God grant that we all may make them so! Amen!

A Request to Every Communicant

The Rector repeats his request to all persons in this Parish who attend the service of the Holy Communion. The request is this: After receiving at the Holy Communion, return to your seats and remain to the end of the service, until after the benediction.

Unless ill or physically unable to remain, PLEASE do not leave the Church until the service is over! Can I put the request more kindly? If so, I want to do it, and shall be glad to be told how. But I must insist that this request be complied with by all. Everyone will realize the propriety and the reasonableness of this request. It is most distasteful to the Rector to have to repeat it. He hopes that he will not be compelled to do so.

A Gratifying Response

A year ago the Rector asked a number of persons in the Parish if they would be willing to contribute on the first Sunday of each month, through a special envelope sent out by the Rector, a definite amount toward the Rector's "Exigency Fund," which is devoted to the poor of the Parish and other cases of need which the Rector is called upon to meet. Through the generous response from certain persons the Rector's Exigency Fund was greatly increased. These monthly pledges have now terminated, and it is hoped that they will be renewed by the former givers, and that others also will remember the object of this offering on the first Sunday morning of each month and be led to become *regular monthly contributors* to the Rector's "Exigency Fund."



The Easter Offering

The Rector wishes to express his gratification and appreciation of the generous response that the members of the congregation made on Easter Day to the appeal of the Vestry. The Vestry asked for \$1198.00 as an Easter offering. The amount received was \$1390.00, about \$200.00 more than was asked for. This excess will be expended on some needed repairs to the Church property.



A generous recognition of the part which the Churches play in raising funds for our great benevolences was recently made in an editorial in one of our New York dailies, because more than \$3,000,000 had been raised by the Churches for the China fund. The general secretary of the Near East Relief, Charles V. Vickrey, writing to the editor of the *Post*, said:

I have before me the auditors' report of the receipts and disbursements of Near East Relief. It shows that since the outbreak of the war the American people have contributed to Armenian, Syrian and other relief in the Near East more than \$45,000,000. I am rather intimately acquainted with the source of these contributions and know that the money has come for the most part either direct from Churches or from people whose ideals of stewardship and humanitarian service came from early Sunday School and Church training.

The Churches, directly or indirectly, carry the burdens of the world's charity funds. They have always done so. Church people not only willingly support churches for the occasional use of people who do not support them but make a convenience of them, but they also give to the hundred and one missionary and benevolent causes for which pleas are made from the chancel. There are some very cheap, shoddy people, who spend their incomes on themselves, who make slighting remarks sometimes about church people. Well, what sort of a world would this be if church people followed the example of some of these critics on the outside?



Kalendar for May

May 1st—St. Philip and St. James
(5th Sunday after Easter. Rogation).
May 2nd, 3rd, 4th—Rogation Days.
May 5th—Ascension Day.
May 8th—Sunday after Ascension.
May 15th—Whit Sunday.
May 16th—Whitsun Monday.
May 17th—Whitsun Tuesday.
May 18th, 20th, 21st—Ember Days.
May 22nd—Trinity Sunday.
May 29th—First Sunday after Trinity.



The Ascension

Three great Feasts of the Church Year follow immediately after Easter—the feast of the Ascension, Whitsunday and Trinity. The Feast of the Ascension occurs forty days after Easter. During these forty days after our Lord's Resurrection, He intimately associated with His Apostles, "whom He had chosen," to whom He gave commandments, "speaking unto them of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God." He instructed them concerning His Church, which He came to found upon Earth. "Ye shall receive power, after Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The fortieth day after His Resurrection has arrived. He assembles His Apostles upon the Mount of Olivet. Even those closest in thought and sympathy with Him could have had but faint

realization that He was going away, in order that the Comforter might come to illuminate their dull understanding, and lead them into all truth. "It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I go away I will send Him unto you." Until the Holy Spirit should come more fully, they were unable to comprehend spiritual mysteries. Overflowing with love for His disciples and for all who should believe on Him through them, He raised those pierced hands in Divine blessing. Then the Son of Man and the Son of God rises by His own power into Heaven.

Awe-struck, dumb with amazement, even the impulsive Peter finds no words to say. They silently gaze upon the fast-receding form and see His loving face and His pierced hands outstretched in benediction upon the world that had rejected Him. "A cloud receives Him out of their sight;" and still they gaze entranced in heart-felt worship and lofty contemplation. Then angels, sent back by the Triumphant King, announce to them that He who had promised to be with them to the end of the world and had bade them wait at Jerusalem "until they should be endued with power from on high," would Himself come again to judge both the quick and the dead.

And then the disciples, no longer doubting, but full of joy, knowing Christ, no more after the flesh, but after the Spirit, returned to Jerusalem to wait for the descent of the Paraclet (Holy Spirit).

We learn from the Psalms the glorious words of welcome which rang through the courts of Heaven, as the triumphal substance of our Lord and His angelic host swept through the starry firmament.

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is the King of glory; it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

"Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

"Who is the King of glory; even the

Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."
"Sing praises to God, sing praises unto our King; God reigneth over the heathen; God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness."

One special thought is voiced in our meditation upon the Ascension. It is the solemn truth that as He went, so will He return. That day is not revealed, yet many devout hearts seem already to hear the gathering together of the angelic hosts, the reading of the roll-call of the great army of heaven, the preparations for the sound of the last trumpet, and they believe that not very far distant is the time when the sign of the Son of Man will appear.



Whitsunday

The Promise is fulfilled! the Comforter is come!

"When the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

The Apostles, before so weak, so timid, so full of fear are now made bold and intrepid and strong, "are endued with power from on high" and go out fearlessly in His power and His might to preach the Gospel to the ends of the world, to suffer and to die for their risen and ascended Lord. The coming of the Holy Ghost was the seal from the Most High, which certified all the whole Gospel to be from God.

In this blessed feast of Whitsunday, the feast of the Holy Spirit, which is the birthday of the Church, the culmination of our Lord's Incarnation is attained. He ascended that the Spirit of love, of truth, the spirit of God might abide with His Church forever, uniting its members one with another and all to the great Heart of Jesus, that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we might be led unto all knowledge, truth and holiness, that all

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James M. Woodroff (1901), Rector's Warden
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Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
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Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

who call upon His Holy Name, might be made strong, like the Apostles, willing to sacrifice and to suffer and to die for the Lord Jesus. The Holy Spirit has come to abide in His Church forever. He is present in the Sacraments, at Baptism, at Confirmation, at the Holy Communion. In studying the Epistles we are told that by His influence love is shed abroad in our hearts; through Him we abound in hope, and are full of joy and peace. We learn that we are sealed with this Spirit of Promise, even unto the day of redemption. Only by His aid can we pray aright, through His grace we have communion with the departed saints. It is the Spirit who imparts to us the Christ Life, for it is by His power that we receive Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. All this is summed up in the Preface to the Trisagion, appointed to be said on Whitsunday at the Holy Communion, "whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error, into the clear light and true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy Son Jesus Christ."

The Holy Spirit must not be thought of as merely a force, or love, proceeding from God. The Holy Spirit is God, abiding in the world. He dwells within each pure and contrite heart, and our bodies are His temples.

"And His the gentle voice we hear,

Soft as the breath of even,
That checks each thought, that calms
each fear,

And speaks of heaven."

Loving, persuasive and tender is the ministry of the Spirit, yet in stern and awful warning stands the most terrible threat that can be found in holy Writ, for him who rejects His voice, and the threat falls from the tender lips of our Saviour: "Whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come."



Trinity Sunday

The doctrinal half of the Church Year culminates at Trinity Sunday. This first half lays stress on doctrine; from now on until Advent Season the emphasis is upon life—the practical outcome of Christian

doctrine, Christian living. First comes faith; hence from Advent to Trinity the emphasis is placed upon doctrine. Then comes works; hence the teachings set forth each Sunday from now on to the end of the Church's year, relates to Christian life. "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God" are the words that are found in the Epistle appointed to be read on the first Sunday after Trinity.

The reception of truth must be gradual. Hence the Church leads us step by step from Advent to Trinity Sunday. In Advent is heralded the miraculous Birth of the wondrous child; at Christmas the heavenly host proclaims from the starry firmament "the good tidings of great joy"; on Epiphany Jesus is manifested to the Gentile world; through Lent we enter into our Saviour's Temptations; in Gethsemane we witness His agony; on Good Friday we see our Saviour die for us, and are forced to cry with the centurion, "Truly this was the Son of God." On the glorious feast of Easter we see Him rise triumphant over death; then on Holy Thursday we behold His glorious Ascension into Heaven there to sit at the right hand of the Father; while on Whitsunday we are taught that the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth, has come to dwell in His Church and in our hearts forever.

Thus does the Church prepare us for the culmination of her teaching, enabling us to grasp by faith the mystery of the doctrine of the Trinity.

Along the Church's central space
The sacred weeks with unfelt pace,
Have borne us on from grace to grace.

The Trinity in Unity is the highest mystery that is revealed to us.

Can we learn anything in regard to this mystery by analogy? Each individual consists of soul, body and spirit, but one man. Our mental nature possesses intellect, affections and will. In nature there are three great divisions,

Earth's triple frame, land, air and sea
Upraise their canticle to Thee.

The tree with its root, trunk and branches; the oneness under three forms, water, ice and steam; the three notes blending into a perfect chord; the three dimensions that make a solid body, length

breadth and thickness; the three kingdoms that make up our planet, the vegetable, animal and mineral; the division of time into past, present and future. These and many more analogies come as suggestions of the great truth of Trinity in Unity.

But argument and reason are of little weight before the powerful and convincing knowledge which comes through faith. Now, our finite minds cannot understand the infinite. Now, we walk by faith and not by sight. "We know in whom we believe." "Now, we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face; now, I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known."



Baptisms

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."
March 20—Raymond Krauselear Mad-den.

March 26—Clara May Lehman.

March 26—Anne Haines.

March 26—Francis Jauvier Haines

March 26—Alice Cresson Haines.

March 27—Kenneth Gray Brownlow.

March 27—Elizabeth Anne Brownlow.

March 29—Howard John Taylor.



Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

April 2—Henry Carlisle Rippard, Marion Eleanor McFadden.

April 14—Louis Raymond Jones, Viola S. Wahl.



Deaths

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

March 12—Sally Wheeler Johnson.

March 17—Charles Smith.

March 20—Florence E. Blankley.

March 22—Edith B. Armstrong.

March 27—Rebecca L. Henson

April 7—Charles Hagar.

April 22—Dorothy D. Brazen



All Should Subscribe Through the Envelopes

Will all persons in the Parish who have not as yet subscribed through the

envelope system please take a pledge card which will be found in the racks in the vestibule of the Church and subscribe the amount they are willing to give weekly to the support of the work of the Church? A large majority of the attendants at the services of the Church are already registered on the books of the Parish, as regular contributors. It is desired that every one shall be included in this honor roll. Let there be no shirkers. Let every member of every family in the Parish have his or her personal envelopes. Religion responsibility is a personal responsibility. Let the honor roll of systematic contributors consist during the coming year of 100 per cent of the membership of the Parish! All supporters, no slackers!



The Religious Tramp Problem

The following article is taken from a secular paper, the "Literary Digest":

"The pest of religious society is the 'Church Tramp.' This class of undesirables and the sensationalists who have helped to create it are thus described by the *Christian Century*:

"The religious tramp is a phenomenon of a serious nature for the churches. He is not a foe of religion. He is, indeed, a believer, in a way, although he asserts with a pseudo-liberality that 'one church is as good as another.' He travels around in the 'special services' which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and they are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. He does not want to give regularly, though he drops a chance nickel into the plate. His attitude is one of unconcern with regard to the welfare of the churches. He gets his amusement and his sociability from the churches at the minimum of expense. He asks for no more. Just now in many communities the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient

as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller audiences may follow such an attitude, but they will be audiences yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church-builder.

"Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life-and-death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church."



Election of Vestrymen

At the annual election of Vestrymen of Christ Church, held on Easter Monday, the following persons were elected vestrymen to serve for the term of three years: J. I. Morrison, Edward Bains, U. G. Rowley and Ernest Blood. The Judges of Election were William S. Crowder, George C. Foust, U. G. Rowley. At the first meeting of the Vestry the Rector appointed Mr. James M. Woodroffe Rector's Warden. Mr. J. I. Morrison was elected Accounting Warden, and Mr. Francis B. Falkner, Secretary. Messrs. Woodroffe, Potter and Morris were elected delegates to the Diocesan Convention and Germantown Convocation.



Services on Ascension Day

The services on Ascension Day (Holy Thursday) will be Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.; Holy Communion and Sermon at 11 A. M. In the evening the congregation of Christ Church are invited to a united service at the Church of the Epiphany, Carpenter Street and Lincoln Drive, at eight o'clock. The music will be furnished by the combined choirs of the Church of the Epiphany and Christ Church, and the special preacher will be the Rev. Samuel Booth. The members of Christ Church are asked to attend this united service at the Church of the Epiphany on Ascension Day evening, May 5th.

Confirmation

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., visited this Parish and administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The class included the following persons: Mary Dazell Atherton, Katherine Elizabeth Armstrong, Ann Ingram Courtney, Thomas Fisher Duling, (Mrs.) Ella Gomeringer, Jessie Minerva Hance, Elizabeth Haas, Mary Huntington Hogue, Arthur Kuhfuss, Dorella Gruller Lukens, May Matthews, Raymond Krueshas Madden, Elma Rhoads Pinkerton, (Mrs.) Mabel Smith, Mary Elizabeth Smith, Ruth Margaret Robinson, Marjorie Mary Wismer, Elizabeth Arden Wertsner, Helen Wertsner, Anne Beasley Wertsner, Katherine Wertsner.



The Church Periodical Club

In every family in Christ Church there should be at least one contributor to the Church Periodical Club.

It is so easy to mail magazines, etc., away after they have been read that we feel that there would be many more contributors if all realized now highly the receipt of such reading matter is appreciated.

A member of our congregation recently arranged to send a magazine to a lady in a small town in South Dakota, whose name was given to him by Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, Secretary of the Club. He wrote to her, telling her that he had sent the magazines, and, thinking that she would be interested, sent her also a CHRIST CHURCH KALENDAR and a copy of the CHIMES.

The letter that he received in acknowledgment illustrates so forcibly the value of the work in which the Church Periodical Club is engaged that we are giving it below in full.

"My Dear Mr. ———

"I feel very apologetic for my delay in acknowledging all your kindnesses to us—in our lonely Missionary Post—first, the Kalendar is a joy and helps us so much in or teaching—we are still on the frontier—and doing real primitive work—as far as the church is concerned—and have some very funny and, of course, also some very pathetic experiences.

"I have delayed writing until I could tell you something about the *American Magazine*—we appreciate that—for our nurses have no recreation or diversion nor have we had reading matter, until I made a plea to the Periodical Club, so both nurses and patients will enjoy the *American*. We do much reading to our patients.

"You seem interested in my capacity here. I came to South Dakota as the Bishop's general missionary. First I was out on the Reservation as community worker among the Indians—then when this emergency came he sent me here, trying to link up the Indian work with the mission and encouraging the Indians to bring their sick here, so I am not a patient, but very much a jack of all trades—nurse, general manager, secretary, etc., etc., and oh, it is all so fascinatingly interesting.

"Thank you for the CHRIST CHURCH CHIMES. It is good to know what *real* work is being done with the service in all its beauty. I was in Philadelphia two years at the Deaconess House—so I often think of the privileges and joys of the church there. We have a joy, too, here in the crudities and humility of spirit and the keen appreciation of Christianity.

"But—bells are ringing—I thank you again for all your interest and kindness to us. We realize it is the interest of such friends as you who make our work possible. Your interest and prayers are our support.

"Most cordially,
_____"

If you are not already a contributor to the Club consult our Local Secretary, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, who will be glad to give you particulars and to welcome your aid. Surely every one in the Parish has some magazine which they will be willing to send where it will be highly appreciated. Do it *now*!



The Sunday School

Our Easter service was one of the most successful we have held. The attendance of both scholars and members of the Church was very large. The singing was good and the address of the Rev.

Mr. Hogue had a real message for all of us.

The Superintendent gave diplomas to the following primary scholars, who were promoted to the main school:

Elizabeth Bose, Frank Cake, Helen Dove, Anna Johnson, Richard Smith, Anna Bell Bradley, Elizabeth Cupitt, Clara Hillard, Wm. Lapworth, Eugene Unruh, Mabel Briggs, Margaret Dillon, Helen Jackson, Helen Logan, Beatrice Unruh.

He also presented a remembrance from the School to those with a record of continuous attendance. We can only mention those who have been present over 100 Sundays without missing:

Mrs. Baisbrown	322	Sundays
Margaret Robinson . . .	191	"
Katherine Wertsner . .	130	"
Hilda Ellis	119	"
Marg. Courtney	112	"
Annie Wertsner	201	"
Chas. Buchenhorst . . .	182	"
Beatrice Spooner	121	"
Elizabeth Haas	118	"
Helen McHenry	104	"

Our Lenten Offering for Missions, which was presented at the Easter service, was over \$260.

We have now completed our first year of the weekly envelope system. The total amount given during the year was \$865, and what is more important, we "made good" on our pledges 94%, only about \$50 being unpaid.

On Easter we had 248 on the roll (exclusive of the Bible Classes), an increase of 14 scholars since January 1st. For the last three Sundays we have had over 200 present, or over 80% of the roll. In addition to this, the Men's and Women's Bible Classes have averaged 54 persons present. On March 27th we had 208 present, exclusive of Bible Classes, the largest number in several years, and there were six "Star" classes:

Miss Gerhard's, Mr. Parkers', Mr. Feist's, Miss Richards', Mrs. Christ's and Miss Gray's.

We are very glad to say that Miss Dorothy Gill has returned to the School as a teacher and has taken charge of the fifteen scholars that have been promoted from the Primary Department and will

give them a special course of instruction.

Our special work for the next two months is an offering to be taken next Sunday, April 24th, for the College Settlement House, to help "give a day in the country" for the poor children in closely built-up parts of the city.

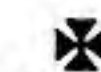
We are also going to take upon ourselves the work of brightening up the Main School and Primary Department rooms, by giving them a coat of paint this summer and other improvements that we need. One class is going to give a cake sale. Another class is arranging for an interesting lecture.

As the plan is only a week old, we have not had time to hear from the rest of the classes as to what they are going to do.

Anyway, we are all going to "get busy" on this. Maybe some parents will want to help us in this badly needed improvement. "We are willing!"

Our plans for this summer are not completed yet but hope to announce them next month.

R. H. M.



The Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King have held monthly meetings during the winter. Part of the evening has been spent in reporting visits made and arranging future work. The balance of the evening has been given to Bible Study. The Local Assembly of the Order will hold its annual meeting at this Church on Wednesday, May 25. We are arranging for an afternoon session, at which time there will be interested speakers; at 6.30 a supper will be served, and at 7.30 there will be a service in the Church. Bishop Rhinelander will preach at this service. Invitations to these meetings will be sent to the other parishes in the diocese, in the hope that we may have a large attendance, not only of our own people, but of many others whom we hope to interest in the work.

H. F. A.



The Mothers' Meeting

During the past year the attendance at the Mothers' Meeting has been unusually large. This has meant not only an increase in our pleasant times, but it has

meant an increase in the amount of work accomplished. We have been able to fill many orders for aprons, towels and rugs. We have finished a large patch-work quilt, which will be sent to a missionary. We have helped in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, and we have also assisted in the making of aprons for the apron sale, and in serving the luncheon at the sale. Our contribution to the United Thank Offering was \$14.22. Mrs. F. O. Pinkerton and Mrs. Francis B. Falkner have alternated with Mrs. Rowley in being present at the meetings and assisting with the work. We are very much pleased to add the names of Mrs. Pinkerton and Mrs. Falkner to the list of Directors. The meeting will soon be closed, but we expect to hold our annual picnic during the first week of June. We feel that the winter has been a profitable and successful one, and we are looking forward with great pleasure to reopening in the fall.

H. F. A.



A Message to Men, from a Member of the Men's Bible Class

THE SEVEN-THIRTY CLUB

Here is something worth while. A matter in which it is hoped every man and boy who is a communicant of our Church will become interested.

The only meetings of this Club are held on the third Sunday morning of each month at 7.30 in the church and the only object is to encourage the attendance of men and boys at the Holy Communion.

It is, perhaps, not generally known that a large number of the male communicants are lax in their attendance at this, the main service of our Church. Many allow months to pass and some even years without coming to the source from which all spiritual life flows. This is not right. Perpetual motion is still, and very likely will continue to be, unknown, and without recharging, every battery will become "dead." This applies to spiritual energy as well as physical.

The only way this apathy can be overcome is by those who are now coming to the Holy Communion at stated periods becoming more regular and by example

and invitation helping the man who is irregular or not attending at all to become regular.

If this principle is faithfully carried out the result will be manifold. Those who may not feel the need of this movement will, by joining in the effort, find a greater personal benefit accruing from their participation and also by helping the "other fellow" fulfill one of the obligations taken at Baptism. It also enables this "other fellow" to enjoy the blessings which he has been neglecting and thereby makes him stronger and better fitted to stand up against the forces of evil he is called upon to face daily.

The Parish also will profit, as no man who faithfully and regularly comes to this power house for recharging can fail to pass on some of the energy received and by engaging in the various activities provided will increase the productive value of the organization. This naturally will have its effect outside of our Parish, and so the little seed, planted in some heart at one of these services, may become a great tree, spreading out its branches, thus affording opportunity for others to secure comfort and help.

What the result of this effort upon our Rector will be is hardly necessary of enumeration and will be left to him to declare when the object has become productive. It is, however, up to every man to decide *now* that he will support this movement, and it is hoped that all who know the spiritual good which comes from the Holy Communion will, unless unavoidably detained, be present on May 15 at 7.30 A. M.

C. H. J.



The Woman's Auxiliary

The reports given at the April meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary were most encouraging. During the past winter this has been more given towards missions, through this channel than for many years. The response to the suggestions of giving small sums weekly through an envelope system has been most grati-

fying. About seventy women have pledged from five to twenty-five cents a week—totaling over four hundred dollars yearly. The Apron Sale and Luncheon, given on April 8, were most successful. The amount cleared was over one hundred and thirty dollars, which will be devoted to missions. We are very much pleased with our financial success, for it means that we shall be able to respond to the many appeals which come to us as an Auxiliary, but we are particularly pleased with the interest which has been created in the work. We feel that this is only a beginning of larger things, and we are looking forward to next winter with the hope and assurance of our work increasing in the personal interest of *all the women* in the Parish.

There will be one more meeting of the Auxiliary (May the 20), at which time there will be an election of officers for the ensuing year, and a full report of the work will be given.

A. F. W.



Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly Society is as active as ever. We have been having crowded meetings ever Tuesday night. We have now finished our Lenten sewing and are working on some very interesting things. One of these is stenciling designs on oil-cloth sets. Can you imagine anything more fascinating than that?

Also, we try to do little good deeds along our way. Last Tuesday night we took our "talent" to the Home of Rest at Wayne and Haines Streets and tried to bring a little bit of sunshine into the lives of the aged ladies there. If you saw our entertainment last fall you know what we mean by our "talent." On this special evening it consisted of eighteen very lively girls who sang and danced and played and recited. The ladies seemed to enjoy the entertainment very much, and I feel safe in saying that they didn't enjoy it more than we did. We certainly hope to do something like that very soon again.

And now we have something new up our sleeves. No, I won't tell you what it is yet, because I want you to keep

guessing. Be on the lookout for the next G. F. S. in the CHIMES' notice and maybe you'll hear something more then.
G. M. G.



The Day's Work of the Average Minister

The following article appears in the last issue of the "Parish Helper," the very excellent monthly publication of the Parish of St. Luke and the Epiphany. The Rector, the Rev. Dr. D. M. Steele, prefaces the article by stating that he had clipped it from another parish paper. Modified in minor details, the article is descriptive of a minister's work in the "average" parish.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY

In these days we hear much about the eight-hour day, of Saturday half-holiday, of early closing of stores during the summer months, of innumerable national and other holidays in the interest of the alleged down-trodden laboring man and that imaginary tired business man. But do we hear any such wide-spread movement in the interest of the ministers of our churches? Has it occurred to anyone to ask what the average minister's hours of labor are?

Nearly everyone else rests on Sunday; but Sunday, their day of rest, is the minister's hardest work day. Two sermons, or one sermon and a supposedly easier address are the usual stint for the average minister on Sunday; i. e., an hour of speaking and three or four hours of conducting of services. You may not realize the physical and nervous strain that this involves; but it is there, nevertheless. And ministers feel it, many of them, at the conclusion of their twelve or fourteen-hour day, to the point of exhaustion.

WHICH IS REST DAY?

Sunday, I have said, is the minister's hardest work day. Have you ever paused to consider which day in the week is the minister's rest day? There is a sort of fable that he takes Monday off. Does he? He does not. Is there any day in the week, any hour of the day or night for that matter, when, if you were in distress and sent for the minister, he would not come? Has anyone ever heard

the minister say: "I have worked my eight hours—or nine or even twelve or twenty hours—today, and therefore if I come I'll have to charge time and a half for overtime. If I don't I'll get in bad with the Union?"

It seems like unwonted levity to ask such a question. But it might be asked in dead seriousness. Because we know, when we pause to think, that the minister has no rest day. His working time is all the time. He must always hold himself subject, both night and day, Sunday and weekday, to the call of the lowliest as well as the wealthiest member of his flock. He is, he must be, the impartial servant of all. "Six days shalt thou labor and do all that thou hast to do" is a good commandment, but it is a poor injunction. It is good for him to preach, but it is hard, it is impossible, for him to practice.

WORK IS CONTINUOUS

But worse than this constant treadmill is the constant strain on his emotions. He can never lock up his desk at the end of his day and go home and forget it. He has it always on his mind. He has, or ought to have, his work always on his heart. Business men and working men, when their day's work is done, leave their business cares and responsibilities behind them as they enter the doors of their homes. But can the minister do this?

Perhaps you think the minister is not in great demand because you have never needed him. But that proves nothing for the other hundred or five hundred or thousand members of his church. Rare are the homes, writes an average minister, to one of the religious papers, in which I have not stood bowed with grief; few are they, young or old, with whom I have not sat in counsel over sorrows, problems, pains and joys. The minister cannot advertise such things, and of twenty calls paid, the church, as a body, may not know even of one.

TIME-CONSUMING CALLS

And have you ever thought of what the "calls" of the average minister mean in the expenditure of merest time and energy? Take a church of three hundred families. More probably there are

six hundred addresses. The average minister tries to call on each—I don't say he does, that he has either the time or the energy—but his ideal is to call on each member of each family at least once a year. Six hundred calls a year, lasting, say, half an hour each, three hundred hours of calling, how many full days of eight hours each would be spent in talking with his parishioners only once, each, every year, and that supposing he found them at home. But he does not, sometimes not once in a half dozen times. Therefore, how many times more must you multiply this? And if to this you add the time expended in going to and from the homes of his parishioners an average of half a mile each way, maybe a mile for the round trip, so to speak, he must walk six hundred miles, an average of two miles a day and then, like as not, walk it over again. Why, the postman has nothing on him. Expressed in days of eight hours, he must spend, every year, twenty-five entire days in merely walking the streets to see his parishioners.

CONSIDER HIS SERMON

Again, consider his sermons: One hundred and four on Sundays, fifty-two week-day or night addresses, one hundred and fifty-six in all, averaging half an hour each. Seventy-eight hours—nearly ten solid days of eight hours each—in the actual work of preaching! Of course, you may say this is harder to listen to. But that is not quite the point. You do not have to hear them all. He has to speak them all.

And now, how long does it take the average minister to prepare his sermon? A previous speaker has quoted the Rev. Chas. M. Sheldon as saying that eight hours a day for six days in the week is barely time enough in which to prepare one good sermon. And when two good sermons are demanded, Dr. Sheldon adds, the requirement passes the bounds of the possible. Nevertheless, we know that the average minister has to do so many impossible things that I shall assume that three discourses are prepared with care each week, and not only one, as Dr. Sheldon computes.

THE LABOR OF WRITING

The average sermon requiring thirty minutes to deliver has approximately five thousand words. Three such things a week would require fifteen thousand words. The average minister's ideal is to write each sermon out on paper before delivering it. Now listen. Merely to transcribe fifteen thousand words, simply to copy them out of a book—without thinking, without preparation, without reference to the logical development of ideas or the niceties of style—would require, at twenty words to the minute, which is faster than the average man can write longhand, seven hundred and fifty minutes—twelve and a half hours—over one and a half days out of each week for the purely mechanical, unintelligent, manual laborious part of preparing three sermons.

Seventy-eight days out of every year with pencil or pen; seven hundred and eighty thousand words a year; the equivalent of twelve fair-sized novels or other books, an average of one a month, think of it? And then ask yourself if it is possible. And then consider that this is the ideal of the average minister; what he tries to do, what he would actually do if, as Dr. Sheldon says, he were super-human! Do you wonder that he does not get it all done well?

TIME FOR PREPARATION

But don't forget! This only refers to the mechanics of sermon-making. It ignores entirely the study and research and reflection necessary to the preparation of any sermon which can hope to benefit an average congregation. Allow only one day's preparation for each sermon, and three days of the week are gone in preparation, and one and a half in writing them, four and a half days, including Sunday, for all his other duties. And this is, of course, impossible. It would be impossible even if those "other" duties were light. But that is only the point where the time-consuming part of his work really begins.

THE MINISTER'S TIME-CARD

I have more than exhausted the time allotted to me, but I cannot conclude without giving you a fairly accurate esti-

mate of how many days in the year, of eight hours each, the average minister works. I have assumed that his church has three hundred families; for a smaller or a larger field you can mentally divide or multiply my figures relating to calls and to many things else.

156 Sermons, study and reflection	156 days
156 Sermons, writing (780,000 words)	78 "
52 Sundays	52 "
3 Hours a week given to Church finances.....	20 "
1 Hour a week given to Church music and other programs	6 "
3 Hours a week average for funerals, weddings and christenings	18 "
1,200 Half-hour parochial calls or at least in attempt to make calls.....	75 "
6 Half - hour emergency and distress calls a week	20 "
600 Miles, walking to pay calls	25 "
6 Hours a week, conferences with church officers and committees...	36 "
1 Hour a week attending Church and Sunday School organizations...	6 "
1 Hour a week preparation for Bible School.....	6 "
1 Hour a week, denominational conferences....	6 "
1 Hour a day given to civic and community work.	40 "
? Hours a day for unclassified work	? "

Total number of days to the year

Plus

It will thus be seen that the average minister, on a minimum computation of the time required in which to perform his great variety of duties, must work two hundred and eighteen days overtime, figuring eight hours to the day if he is to indulge any hope of performing those duties acceptably and well. He must work five hundred and eighty-three

eight-hour days in all—or to get the work done in three hundred and sixty-five days he would have to work eighteen hours a day and never take any hours to eat, or given an hour to each meal, he would have to spend twenty-four hours a day and never sleep, and that every day in the week, and then Sunday.

Then some dear good lady calls him on the telephone and invites: "If you haven't anything else to do, won't you come up to lunch?" Some vacuous person asks him: "What do you do for exercise?" Somebody else complains: "You never drop in for my afternoons at home. I am in every Wednesday." My dear madam! I am glad you are. I envy you. Exercise? I don't just feel the need of any—that is, any more than I have. Anything better to do? There could be nothing better than to lunch with you; but I seldom lunch any where. I hardly even breakfast.

I cannot expect you to believe all this. As I check it up myself, it strained even my own credulity. But it is true of the average minister, at least of those who are physically, nervously and mentally able to bear the strain. Some may give less time to some of the objects I have enumerated, and more to others. But if on the average they give, in the aggregate, less time than I have specified, to all the objects named, their period of service with one church is likely to be even less than the average that now prevails.

Do you think that the average congregation begins to appreciate the time and labor involved in fulfilling the duties of the average minister? Do you, even now? I am sure you do not; for the things I have mentioned are only conventional things. They are activities that people think of as consuming his time. I have not even mentioned those that constitute more than one-half—the major half—of his actual labors. For this outline envisions the work of that almost extinct minister whose place of resort is a "study." That place is almost nonexistent. In all city churches, certainly, it is an "office" instead. And that is another story. It is such a story that all the figures above would have to be doubled.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M.A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. DAILY
6.00 to 8.00 P. M. " AT HOME, SATURDAY EVENING

Worship in Summer

Let us not forget, in these beautiful summer Sundays, when all nature bids us come out and enjoy the beauty of "God's out of doors,"—let us not forget the "beauty of worship" and abandon the House of God, and "His Fellowship" and the "Breaking of Bread" and Prayer.

"The beauties of nature" will be more beautiful to him who first "worships the Lord in the beauty of holiness."

No Sunday is complete without attendance in the House of God. "O come, let us worship and fall down and kneel before the Lord our Maker!"

Poor Children Outing Fund

It is again my privilege and pleasure to call attention of the people of Christ Church to our annual offering to the Poor Children's Outing Fund, which will be taken on Sunday morning, June 19.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give. What a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

It will cost about \$3.00 for transportation and board to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small, dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

Persons wishing to give to this most worthy charity—if they are absent from Church on Sunday morning, June 19, may send their contributions either to the Rector or the Accounting Warden.



Waiting to be asked to go to the country

The Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox's Ordination

On Trinity Sunday morning, May 22, the Rector of this Parish had the honor to present to the Bishop of the Diocese the Rev. Stanley Victor Wilcox, to be ordained to the Priesthood of the Church. The Ordination took place at the Pro Cathedral, Philadelphia.

Mr. Wilcox has been a member of this Parish since boyhood and later was a teacher in the Sunday School, and of the Men's Bible Class. For several years Mr. Wilcox was engaged in business in Philadelphia. He gave up his business in 1915 to give his time to study, preparatory to entering the Philadelphia Divinity School. While a student in the Divinity School in 1917 he heeded his country's call for volunteers and enlisted in Co. E 103 Engineers—(The Keystone Division)—which was afterwards known as the celebrated "Iron Division." He sailed for France in May, 1918, and saw active service in the Campagne, Marne, Aisne, Marn Oise, Aisne, Meuse, Argonne-Defensive Sector. He was made Corporal and, for his bravery on the firing line, was advanced to Sergeant. He returned home in May, 1919, and immediately entered again on his course of studies for Holy Orders, attending the Summer School at Middletown, Connecticut. In the fall he returned to the Philadelphia Divinity School and was ordained Deacon, September 26, 1920. He graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School, May 26, 1921.

During his course of studies at the Theological Seminary, Mr. Wilcox has been assisting the Rev. Dr. Stockman at Old Swedes' Church, and also at the Seamen's Mission, Philadelphia.

The Rector of Christ Church shares in the pride which all the members of the Parish take in such a man of Mr. Wilcox's sterling character and worth. Our best wishes go with him and our prayers are for him, that God will bless him in a long ministry of self-sacrificing, consecrated service.



It was with great sorrow that the friends of the Rev. H. G. G. Vincent in

Christ Church learned of his tragic death by being run over by an automobile, while on his way to visit a sick parishioner in the Germantown Hospital. Members of the parish will recall the inspiring sermon which Mr. Vincent preached in Christ Church on the first Sunday evening in Lent. It was a true Gospel message and was preached with deep religious fervor.

The Rev. Mr. Vincent was a sincere and fearless preacher, a truly consecrated servant of God. He was highly respected by every one who knew him.

It was a great privilege for the people of Christ Church Parish to contribute toward a fund, as a slight token of their respect and esteem.



Shall Pew Rent System in Christ Church be Abolished?

The question of abolishing the pew renting system in Christ Church is under advisement and consideration by the Vestry. There appears to be a very general desire to discontinue the old system, but the pew rents cannot be abolished and an adequate revenue be secured, unless everyone who now *rents a pew or sitting will agree to continue to give the amount of their pew rent, in addition to the amount which they are already giving through the envelope system.*

For this concession by the present renters of pews, *all others* in the parish should be willing to *do their share*, in bringing about the change of system, by *increasing their weekly offering* through the envelopes. If *everyone* in the Parish will show a disposition to be generous and willing to give more than they are now giving, the pew rent system can be abolished without serious financial loss to the Parish. The answer, therefore, to the question, "Shall the pew renting system in Christ Church be given up?" rests with the members of the congregation.

The Rector believes that, if the new system is introduced in this Church, the members of the congregation will rise to the occasion and will meet it with a substantial and generous response.

Envelope Subscribers

The number who subscribe through the envelope system now amounts to 280. It is greatly to be desired that the number of subscribers shall be extended until it reaches every attendant at the services of Christ Church. The expenses of the Church go on whether the members are present or not and every person will wish to do his or her share. Parents should inculcate in their children the habit of unselfish giving by systematic and regular method. This should be done in the interest of the child's own future happiness as well as for the interest of the Church. A selfish person can never be happy. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus Christ how he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive"—*Acts 20:35. Every member of every family in the Parish should have his or her individual envelopes and should give regularly and conscientiously to the work of the Church. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."* 1 Cor. XVI:2.

Pledge cards will be found in the racks in the vestibule or may be had by applying to the Verger. Please sign these pledge cards and place them in the Alms Basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to your address.



The Sunday School

It looks as if we had reached our high water mark for the year in attendance (208 on the Sunday after Easter), as notwithstanding the clear, warm Sundays we only are having about 170 present. I hope several who have been away will read this and "wake up" early enough next Sunday morning to come.

Picnics

The Primary Department will hold their picnic on the Parish lawn Saturday afternoon, June 25th, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The committee arranging the picnic for the Main School are working hard, and the announcement of their plans will be made soon.

Our school will continue during the summer as usual, and we shall probably

follow last year's arrangement and attend church service instead of in the school room.

Our school rooms need painting very badly, also some other things, done to make them bright and cheerful, also we want some maps, etc., to help our work.

We decided to have the work done this summer if possible, and went to work. A friend started us off with \$25 as a nest egg. Miss Gray's class on May 14 gave a cake and candy sale which netted over \$20.

Two classes are going to join and give a Japanese tea party the latter part of May, of which notice will be given later. Other classes are also making plans; also Mr. Rowley's class is going to give a dance May 27th.

I wonder if some fathers and mothers who read this will not send us a little help. We can only do as much as our fund allows us to, and there are many, many things we need very much.

R. H. M.



Dispensers of Good Cheer

The Parish Committee, at a meeting held May 16, 1921, decided that the time had come when our Parish House should be improved in furnishings and appearance. With that end in view they have set out to accomplish that pleasurable task, without ever taxing anyone and at the same time giving everyone in the parish an opportunity to help.

The young folks are very enthusiastic about this project, and all they need is assistance and co-operation by those interested.

It is proposed to give on Thursday evening, June 16, three short, spicy plays, entitled, "Trying Them Out," "Hartville Shakespeare Club," and "A Perplexing Situation," the latter given by the Kliveden Klasic Klub, and all for the price of fifty cents. After the play a sale of strawberries, ice cream and cake is planned, followed by a dance for those who care to avail themselves of it.

The committee in charge: Chairman, Dr. J. C. Courtney; Mr. Fredric Lennig, business manager; Mrs. Toplif Johnson, arrangement manager; Miss Edna Cave,

PARISH NOTES

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THE RECTOR

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Vestry of the Church

James M. Woodroff (1901), Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913), Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M.D. (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First
and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's
Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to
4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Fri-
day, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Interces-
sions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appoint-
ment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

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Cast

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Marion Falls
Miss Hall.....A Stenographer
M. Field



Cast of "A Perplexing Situation:"

Tom Spooner.....Mr. Middleton
Elma Strien.....Mrs. Middleton
Jack Gabel.....Tom Middleton
Beatrice Spooner.....Jessie Middleton
Evelyn Griebner.....Sue Middleton
Inez Coulter.....Lucy Fair
Mildred Luckock.....Maud
Elizabeth Taylor.....Mrs. Nosie
J. Clarence Courtney, Alexander Wilson
Mary Aldrich.....Mary
James Keyser.....Fritz
Paul Keast.....Uncle Epitumas
Robert Carmint.....Health Officer



Cast of "The Hartville Shakespeare Club:"

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Caroline Gushington
H. Robinson....President of the Club
Maria Knowitall
Miss Nagle.....Daisy Lightheart
A Hagey.....Merrie Weathervane
E. Nagle.....Nan Giddy
E. Ballantine.....A Servant
Nora O'Brien



A large attendance is expected because everyone is in need of a "good cheer," and is coming to get it. Tickets may be had from members of the committee.

J. C. C.

The New (Revised) Hymnal

It is known to most persons that a new hymnal has been compiled and has been authorized by the General Convention of the Church. This revised hymnal retains many of the old familiar hymns and many new hymns have been added.

The demand for the new hymnal has been so great that a third edition is announced.

An effort is being made by the Publishers of the new hymnal, "to make the Episcopal Church a singing Church through the use of a Musical Hymnal by the Congregation. Persons are, therefore, urged to purchase the addition, which contains the notes—the music score."

There is also an edition with the words only. Purchased in lots of one hundred the price of the "Musical Hymnal" is \$1.00, retail price \$1.20. The price of the small edition, words only, is 50 cents.

The matter of the adoption and purchase of the New Hymnal for use in this parish was considered at a meeting of the Vestry and was put in the hands of a Committee. The Committee are considering purchasing the new hymnals in lots of one hundred and giving members of the Congregation the opportunity of buying copies at the wholesale rate.

The matter will be taken up in the fall. It is suggested that persons who wish to purchase copies of the New Hymnal may give their names to Mr. R. H. Morris, Chairman of the Committee.



Girl Scouts

The Girl Scout Troop of Christ Church are planning for delightful times this summer. All scouts look forward to this season because it means hikes, picnics and camp.

During the past months each patrol had a turn to prepare a supper for the troop. After the supper the patrol gave the troop delightful entertainments.

On May 7, All-American Day, we joined with the other organizations in the parade on Broad street.

Some evening in June the troop is going on a moonlight hike. Well, I must not tell you about this, but if any

girl wants to attend this hike, she better come around this Friday evening at 7.45 o'clock, and I am sure you will want to join Troop 119.

M. R. R.

Mothers' Meeting

The last regular meeting was held on May 3. The work during the past winter has been most successful, the attendance has been greatly enlarged and much work has been accomplished. We are arranging to hold our annual picnic on Tuesday, June 7. The members of the meeting are asked to meet at the Parish House on that day promptly at 2 o'clock.

H. F. A.

The Sunday School

As the summer season approaches the Sunday School is looking forward expectantly to several events, each of which is in itself important enough to create a lively interest among the members of the school.

The first is the Sunday School annual picnic, or outing, and while this event has not yet been moulded into its final shape, there is little doubt but that whatever shape it assumes it will prove a worth while affair to all who participate. The date has not yet been determined upon, but the school can look forward to something good being planned for it.

The next event, equally as enjoyable, more lasting and vastly more profitable, is the Summer School held in the church.

If the talks to the school anywhere nearly approach those of last summer, then those who attend these delightful services in the church each Sunday morning, will be fortunate, indeed, while those who stay away, or are unavoidably kept from coming, will surely miss one of the delightful features of our school plan.

The third event is the preparation the school is making for "putting its house in order," which means the renovation of the Sunday School room, if possible, by the time the regular autumn sessions are resumed.

The Sunday School rooms, as most people know, are in need of renovation,

and the Sunday School has undertaken to see if it can do this much for its own comfort, after having done so much for others.

Several classes have already laid plans for sales, entertainments, and various functions, in an endeavor to raise the funds necessary to make the Sunday School rooms appear as they should, and we would ask the co-operation of the parish with these efforts of the scholars.

We are still appealing for more scholars, any age, male or female, and there must surely be the friends or relations of our people, some, probably members, who are only waiting an urgent invitation to make themselves a part of the school.

Won't you do the urging for us, at least, as far as the Sunday School door?

We will do the rest.

U. G. R.

Daughters of the King

The Annual Diocesan meeting of the Daughters of the King was held in our Church and Parish House, on Wednesday afternoon and evening, May 25. The afternoon session was devoted to business of the Order. A very interesting address to the Daughters was given by Miss Jane Welte, of Epiphany Church, Sherwood. Supper was served in the Parish House to delegates and guests at six o'clock. In the evening, a large congregation was present in the Church to hear an inspiring address to women by the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

The Order of the Daughters of the King has branches in every diocese of the Country. Its work among women corresponds to that of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew among men. All women of the Church are eligible for election to membership.

Christ Church chapter of the Order meets on the third Monday of each month and invites all women to the meetings.

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild will hold its final business meeting, June 13, before we

adjourn for the summer. Although we do not hold regular business meetings during the summer our duties remain the same.

We would greatly appreciate it if those having flowers in their gardens, that might be used on the Altars, would send them to the Church any Saturday before noon; or else communicate with any member of the Guild and we will try to arrange to call for them.

The serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

June 3 to 10 — Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wisner, Mrs. Mogridge.

June 10 to 17 — Misses Dean, M. Thompson, Crowder.

June 17 to 24 — Misses Manser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

June 24 to 30 — Misses Chase, Strein, Parker, Alexander.

G. L. D.

Kalendar for June

June 5—Second Sunday after Trinity.

June 11—St. Barnabas.

June 12—Third Sunday after Trinity.

June 19—Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

June 24—Nativity, St. John, Baptist.

June 26—Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

June 29—St. Peter.

Woman's Auxiliary

The last meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary for the year 1920-1921 was held in the Parish House on May 20. There was a large attendance and an interesting afternoon was spent in hearing reports and discussing work for the coming year. The report of the treasurer showed a greatly increased interest in the work of the Missionary Society, and we are sure that we all feel a sense of gratitude that we are now able to do our share towards the work which is being done by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. T. Percival Robinson; vice-president, Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt; secretary, Mrs. Frank Wells; treasurer, A. F. W.

The financial report for the past year is submitted below:

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand May 19, 1920....	\$55.58
From Missionary Dues.....	185.30
Offerings—All Saints', Ash Wednesday and Ascension.....	23.20
Credit from Unused Check.....	5.00
Proceeds from Sale of Christmas Cards	3.00
Offering from Mission Study Class	19.00
Received for Books.....	.60
Received from Luncheon and Apron Sale.....	185.87
Special for Rev. Mr. Ansell.....	10.00
Special for the Colored Committee	5.00

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Colored Committee.....	\$26.00
Foreign Committee.....	20.00
Indian Hope Committee.....	24.00
Diocesan Committee.....	15.00
Domestic Committee.....	15.00
Special for Rev. and Mrs. Ansell (Foreign)	25.00
Diocesan Supply Bureau for Materials	26.50
Diocesan Supply Bureau for Blankets, etc.....	15.57
Diocesan Supply Bureau for Expressage, etc.....	10.00
Sewing Supplies.....	1.56
Emergency Fund.....	25.00
Contribution to Mission Study Class Fund.....	19.00
Educational Work.....	10.00
Printing	26.89
"Ford Car Fund"—Mr. Merriweather	10.00
Copy of "Survey".....	1.00
Bishop's Day Luncheon.....	10.00
Flowers for the Sick.....	2.00
Cost of Luncheon.....	41.33

\$323.85

Balance..... 168.70

\$492.55

The amount, in addition to the above, received for the Women's United Offering, will be reported in the next issue of THE CHIMES.

LEONORA M. ROBINSON,
Treasurer.

Girls' Friendly Society

To follow up the last article in THE CHIMES, as to something that the G. F. S. had up its sleeve, and that would keep you guessing. By the time this article is published you will know all

about it, and we sincerely hope that you will not only know, but that you will have helped us to realize part of our dream of fitting up a "Christ Church" room in the Holiday House, at Cape May. We are conspicuous by absence in this respect, and are anxious to be in the foreground with our sister parishes, for G. F. S. means to forge ahead, never lag behind.

Presuming that you do not know what the Holiday House is, let me tell you that it is a charming place by the sea at Cape May Point, N. J., open from June to September, accommodating about 70 girls at a time, at the nominal price of \$5.50 a week. This merely covers the running expenses. Other items, such as taxes, insurance, etc., must be met by annual subscriptions and gifts.

There you will find a merry, happy family all summer long. The early weeks of June are set aside for the married branch helpers (G. F. S. girls who have married), and their children—and candidates. So, you see, we cover many conditions, and help many a girl to a vacation that without the Holiday House would not be able to leave the hot city.

Someone said: "What do you want with money?"

Here is one big splendid reason—and we will tell you more next time.

L. J. J.



A Big Bazaar in the Fall

A big bazaar will be given next fall by the members of all the parish societies. It's going to be a big event. Every one is asked to prepare for it. How? Let every woman in the parish begin now and work all summer to make some fancy or useful articles to be placed on sale at this bazaar. Every woman can make *something* between now and the fall. Something will be expected from every woman. And the men, too, are planning to have special features for "men only." You will be let into the secret later. All men will be expected to co-operate.

The date will be the fore part of November. The make-up of the committee in charge is sufficient guarantee for the success of the occasion: Mr. W. G.

Rowley, Mrs. Frederick Lennig, Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Mrs. Charles Heyer.



The members of Christ Church Sunday School presented a gold cross to the Rev. Shanley V. Wilcox on the occasion of his ordination to the priesthood of the Church, on Trinity Sunday morning, May 22. Mr. Wilcox was formerly a scholar and later a teacher in the school.

The good wishes and prayers of every member of the school are for Mr. Wilcox in the great work of the ministry to which he has been called.



The Dramatic Club

The Dramatic Club gave a very successful entertainment, consisting of two short plays, in the Parish House on Thursday evening, April 16th. The first number was entitled "Bargain Day at Bloomstein's." The characters were:

Mr. Isaac Bloomstein...Thos. Spooner
Steve Stone.....Frank Evans
Nellie Bangs.....Beatrice Spooner
Maud Bangs.....Elma Strein
Birdie O'Neill.....Meryle Field
Sam Randolph.....Clarence Courtney
Lairy Bascom.....Clarence Van Dusen
Mrs. Keen.....Edna Naegle
Willie Keen.....Robert Carmint
Miss Hunter.....Hilda Spooner
Miss Sharp.....Helen Foulkrode
Miss Stout.....Margaret Robinson
Mrs. Trotter.....Helen Wertsner
Mrs. Murphy.....Emma Modridge

Thomas Spooner starred as the Jewish proprietor and Meryl Fields as the shop girl.

The "talent" of the other play, consisted of "Tom Carter," by J. Gabel; "Enid," by Elizabeth Taylor and "Robert Ferris," by Robert Carmint. The net proceeds were \$60.00, which will be given toward the purchase of new chairs for the Parish House. The Club is indebted to Mr. Dingle for hauling the chairs without expense to the Club. The play would not have been the success it was had it not been for the efficient coaching by Dr. Courtney and Mr. Samuel Baxter.

The Club expects to give another play in the third week in June. If you missed the last one, you must not miss the next. It is going to be "great."

R. C.



Remember! "Good Cheer's" Coming

The entertainment and "Good Cheer" mentioned in another column of this issue of THE CHIMES must be remembered by everyone of the parish. Every member of every society in the parish is interested. The proceeds are going toward the "Parish House Furnishing Fund."

Everybody is going to be there!

Where?

At the "Good Cheer time."

Why?

Because everybody needs it!

What?

"Good Cheer!"

Where can I get it?

At Christ Church Parish House!

When?

Thursday evening, June 16!

I'll be there!

Cheer up!

So will I!

Ah! ah! I feel it now!

What?

Good Cheer!

We'll all be there—won't we?

You bet! Because we *all* want Good Cheer, and we ARE GOING TO GET IT! Thursday, June 16, at Christ Church Parish House.



Brotherhood Camp for Boys

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter relating to a camp for boys of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew:

Church House,

Phila., Pa., May 20, 1921.

Rev. C. H. Arndt,

Christ Church,

Germantown, Pa.

Dear Mr. Arndt:

We are convinced of the need of more efficiently directed work among boys. Because of this, and because we believe we have discovered a plan which will eventually lead to overcoming the handicap under which the Church is working for lack of trained leaders for her boy-

work, I am taking the liberty of addressing you on this important matter.

That which, I believe, will be the solution of our boy-work problem is the Vacation Camp Conference Plan. Briefly, it consists of taking the key boy or boys from a number of parishes and dioceses, and for a period of two weeks giving them a practical training course in leadership, grounding them in the principles underlying the organizations with which the Church is working with boys.

Camp Bonsall is the camp most accessible to your diocese. The room and board for the period is \$15.00 and the registration \$2.00 extra.

From the experience of the boys who attended the camps last year, I am sure there is not a parish which will not be benefited by being represented at this year's camps. Of course, the most good will accrue to the parish making the most careful selection of its delegate.

Trusting that you will seize this splendid opportunity to strengthen the boy-work in the parish and diocese, and will send in the signed application of your delegate at the earliest possible moment, I am

Sincerely yours,

CHAS. CAIN.

For further particulars in regard to this camp apply to Mr. Frederick Lennig, Director of the Christ Church Chapter of the Junior Brotherhood.

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RECTOR

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, M.A.

The Rector's Notes

THE RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS 8.00 to 9.00 A.M. DAILY
6.00 to 8.00 P.M. " AT HOME, SATURDAY EVENING

Free Pew System in Christ Church

The Rector calls the attention of all attendants at the services of Christ Church to the letter from Mr. James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden, found in another column of this issue of the CHIMES, announcing the adoption of the free pew system in this Parish. This is considered, by some, a radical, if not a bold change in the policy which has been in vogue in Christ Church since the beginning, and a risk to the financial support of the Parish. The Vestry recognizes such to be the case, but since the change meets almost unanimous approval of the present renters of pews and sittings, it is made in good faith and confidence that the people of Christ Church will generously respond to the urgent need of making up the amount of revenue, formerly received in pew rents, by an extension of the method of weekly giving through the envelope system, until every attendant will be enrolled on the books of the Parish as a regular contributing member.

It is now, under the new system of free pews, more urgent than ever before that every one in the Parish should recognize his or her personal responsibility and that each should subscribe a definite sum, so that there may be a definite income to the church to meet the definite and fixed needs and expense of the Parish.

The Rector is in hearty accord with the Vestry in their adoption of the new system of Church support which, he

believes, to be more in line with the changed conditions of society, in closer harmony with the genius of American democracy and in nearer accord with the principles and spirit of Christianity.

It remains to be seen whether the attendants at the services of Christ Church will promptly and generously respond to the larger privileges which the new system extends to them and the greater responsibility it places on each individual member.

The Rector believes that the members of Christ Church and all who attend the services will rise to the new opportunity and the new responsibility and will respond to their new privileges in a substantial and generous measure!



Persons who have been accustomed to sit in certain definite places in the Church should continue to do so. The "family unit" should be preserved and members of the family should, if possible, sit together. This will be perfectly feasible, under the new system, provided, persons arrive at the Church on time. If the new system will tend to bring people to Church before the service begins and will reduce the number of those who habitually come late, it will have accomplished great things. We hope that this may be so.



Strangers and new comers in this vicinity, if hitherto they have had any hesitancy in sitting in other people's pews, will no longer have this as a cause

for not feeling welcome to the worship of Christ Church.

All pews are now free and unassigned in Christ Church. Persons may feel perfectly free and welcome to sit anywhere. The invitation is to every one. "Whosoever will, let him come."

It is hoped that new comers in this vicinity of Germantown will avail themselves of this cordial invitation and will let their names and addresses be known to the Rector, that he may meet them and welcome them to the Church.



Summer Services

The services in Christ Church, as noted elsewhere in the CHIMES, will be at the usual hours, 7.30, 11.00 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. The noonday and evening services will be shortened in form. A special feature of the noonday service will be a short talk to young people, immediately before the sermon, after which they may leave, if they so desire.

During the Rector's vacation the services will be divided between the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, and the Rev. Augustus W. Shick, Rector of Grace Church, Haddonfield, N. J.

If the clergy are needed during the summer for baptisms, weddings, funerals or in case of sickness, word may be left at the rectory and all calls will receive prompt attention. The Rector expects to return by the first of September.



Danger

A danger comes to all of us in summer time. The danger is to become careless or indifferent about our religious observances, and especially about our Church attendance. Of course, no one who regulates his life on Christian principle will neglect his religious life in summer any more than he will in winter; but, unfortunately, all of us do not regulate our religious life on principle. Too many act according to our whims or our fancy or convenience, and, therefore, when warm weather comes we find it

very easy to offer excuses for absentsing ourselves from Divine Service. The state of the weather, the distance from Church and other excuses are easily found as sufficient reasons for absent, and the conscience is lulled to sleep.

What a fearful danger befalls the man or woman when such excuses are allowed to keep them away from regular attendance at the House of God!

How unspeakably sad it is to see church men and women give way to these temptations, and to find them on Sundays, at the time when they should be at worship, on the golf links, or on an automobile trip, or abandoning, for some other trivial reason, the altar of God!

Golf, automobiles and other outdoor recreation are good and wholesome and refreshment for both the body and the mind. *But no sane man or woman will say that these things, good as they are, are or can be substitutes for worship.* They can and do refresh the mind and body. But man is more than mind and body. He has a soul which craves and needs refreshment; and these recreations which give refreshment to the mind and body are not sufficient to nourish the soul; and "what shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

Let us then my friends beware, lest in resting our minds and bodies, during these summer months, we *starve our souls*. We must not, we cannot, afford in summer to lay aside our worship. The weary mind and the weary body need rest and refreshment and should have them. The soul, too, needs and must have refreshment and for it there can be only one source from which it can receive nourishment and strength.

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is," says the Apostle. And our blessed Lord, who knew the needs of all men has said: "Come unto Me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will refresh you." "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you!"

A Parable

Once upon a time in a beautiful suburb of a large city there lived two men. Both were employed downtown, one receiving a salary which permitted many comforts and luxuries; whilst the salary of the other permitted only, by strict economy the necessities of life.

Both were good moral men, attending the services of the Church and contributing to its support; one giving what he could easily spare, and the other giving conscientiously a tenth of his income.

And it came to pass, in the course of time, that each was granted a vacation by his employer, and immediately the young man with the larger salary collected together a great number of time tables and gave much thought as to where he should go to have "a good time." He finally decided upon an extended trip which would enable him to visit many places of interest, which he had long wished to see.

And after a time, when he had spent all his money, he returned to his home. He had had a "good time;" or, at least, he thought that he had had; but he began to be in want and he went to his church, in his need for money, and asked for help to pay his bills. Of course, he did not make the request in so many words, but *he reduced his subscription to the church*, and those on the inside understood.

The young man, with the smaller income, didn't waste much thought over where he should spend his vacation. He simply packed his bag and went into the country a little way. But even that unpretentious trip took all the money he had, and when he returned, it never occurred to him to ask the church for help. He had been brought up by God-fearing parents, who had set him the example, and had a very old fashioned notion that, at least, a tenth of his income belonged to God, which accounts for his thoughtlessness in regard to making use of the expediency of applying to the church for help. He recalled to mind words which sounded something like this:— he must have read them in his boyhood, in

Bible, he could not quite recall where. "Will a man rob God? Yet, ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings Ye are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, saith the Lord!"

Of course it took this young man a long time to get any money ahead again, but meanwhile he had something bestowed upon him, which was above money, which money could not buy—and that was self-respect and the respect of all who knew him.



Memorials in Christ Church

Within the past few years the homes of a number of our parishioners have been visited by the Angel of Death and dear ones, who have been the inspiration of our lives, have been called to their Heavenly Home. How fitting it would be for friends to erect in this House of God suitable memorials to these saintly lives. Within these sacred walls they began their communion with Him; at this holy altar they first entered into that Heaven, where they now are in that fuller and completer joy. Here, they were baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost. Here, they were received into full communion of the Church and had the "laying on of hands." Here they kneeled before the altar of God and received the Body and Blood of Jesus—food of their souls. Here, perhaps, they were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony. Within these walls have been read over many saints of God, the last sad rites of the Burial of the Dead, and hence, from this church they have been borne, their bodies to be committed to the earth and their souls to the care of God, "looking for the general Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come." What more appropriate place can there be to erect a monument to the memory of the Sainted Dead, than in this House of God, "the Gate of Heaven!" I am sure that there are some, whose names and whose memories and whose examples should have some visible form within the walls of

PARISH NOTES

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THE RECTOR

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Vestry of the Church

James M. Woodroff (1901), Rector's Warden
J. I. Morrison (1913), Accounting Warden
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M.D. (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
Edward Bains (1914)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Christ Church. I should be glad to talk the matter over with any who may desire to act on this suggestion.

I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead.
He is just away!

With a cheery smile
And a wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be, since he lingers there,
And you—oh you, who the wildest yearn
For the old-time step and the glad return
Think of him, faring on, as dear
In the love of There, as the love of Here.
Think of him still as the same, I say,
He is not dead—he is just away.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

Need of a Vacation

The following is an excerpt from an address made by a prominent layman of this Diocese:

"I believe that the highest good, both to the church and the minister, is conserved by the annual vacation. It is conceded that it is needed by teachers in schools and colleges. It is, at least, equally needed by ministers. The preparation of two sermons a week for the same congregation of live and overwrought people, who are abreast the thought of the day and challenge the best there is in their clergyman, both of heart and head; the multifarious details of the numerous organizations of the twentieth century church; the financial problems and responsibilities to be met; and, above all, the nervous exhaustion that falls to the lot of the man who loves his people and is devoted to their interests, as he shares their troubles, anxieties sorrows and griefs, can be appreciated only by those who have passed through the experience. A prince of the American pulpit once said to me that he consumed more nervous energy in one visit to a sick and suffering parishioner, or officiating at the funeral of one of his flock than in the preaching of two sermons. He is by no means alone in this experience. I am personally acquainted with ministers,

some in obscure charges and others in large metropolitan churches, who frequently approach their vacations almost in a state of collapse; and were it not for this period of relaxation would become nervous wrecks."

The Work of the Holy Ghost

Let us not flatter ourselves by thinking we are in any true and living sense Christians and God's children, if we have not the Spirit of Christ, if we are not led by the Holy Ghost. Remember, if we would be saved, we must have the Holy Spirit for our Sanctifier, as well as Jesus Christ for our Redeemer. And we cannot have one without the other. God does not half save us. Either we are altogether saved or not at all. And if we are altogether saved, then, assuredly, the Holy Ghost changes and renews our hearts, just as truly as the Blood of Jesus Christ washes away our sins. We have no benefit in the Cross unless we are crucifying our sins. We cannot be justified without being sanctified.

Oh, let us pray more constantly and more earnestly for that greatest of all gifts, the gift of the Holy Spirit, that we too may be filled with the Holy Ghost; and let us pray with faith in God's sure promise, for Jesus said, "If ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?"—Selected.

A Letter from the Rector's Warden

The Vestry have been for some time considering the advisability of abolishing all pew rents in Christ Church, and at their meeting on March 30th, a resolution was passed stating:

"That this Vestry favors the abolition of pew rents, provided the pew holders agree to contribute through the envelope system the same amount that they are now paying as pew rent, in addition to their present envelope subscriptions."

A committee was appointed to address a letter to pew holders and ascertain whether this plan met with their approval or not. The letter was issued in regular

form and sent to each pew holder. Replies were received from 75% of them, and a large majority of those heard from were in favor of the abolition of the system, with the promise that they would contribute either through the envelopes or by remittances at stated periods an additional sum which would be equivalent to the annual pew rent.

Quite a number of those who failed to reply have been approached on the subject and they have approved the change, with the assurance that the church would not suffer any loss. At this writing there are only nine members who have not been seen on this subject and they will be interviewed at the earliest possible moment.

On the strength of the replies received the committee made their report at the last meeting and the plan of free sittings in Christ Church was adopted by the Vestry. It is therefore in order to remind those who replied affirmatively to the letter issued by the committee that their payment for pew rent expired at the end of the church fiscal year, May 31st, and the Accounting Warden would appreciate their remitting on the new basis, either through the envelopes or otherwise.

James M. Woodroffe,
Rector's Warden.



Mr. Bains Chosen Accounting Warden

At the last stated meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church, held Tuesday, June 7th, Mr. Edward Bains was elected Accounting Warden to succeed Mr. J. I. Morrison, who has removed from Germantown. Mr. Bains has served on the Vestry for the past seven years and has been one of its most faithful members. He is, at present, in California, but expects to return to Germantown the latter part of June, when he will assume the duties of Accounting Warden. In the meantime Mr. J. M. Woodroffe is acting in his place.

At the same meeting of the Vestry the following resolutions were passed relative to Mr. Morrison's resignation:

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Vestry

of Christ Church, in stated meeting assembled, having with deep regret accepted the resignation of Mr. J. I. Morrison from the offices of Accounting Warden and of Vestryman of this Parish, do direct that the following Minute be entered of our appreciation of the services of our late Warden and fellow Vestryman.

"He brought to his office not only the high skill of a trained accountant, but an intelligent conception of the character and scope of the work of the Parish and its financial capacity for the prosecution and extension of that work.

"His firm faith and contagious enthusiasm enlisted the earnest co-operation not only of his fellow Vestrymen, but of the members of the Congregation, and impressed upon them the privilege and duty of the maintenance of Public Worship and the spread of the Gospel of the Kingdom; while with ripe experience and strong common sense he bridled enthusiasm and sentiment, making them aids to accomplishment and conserving the energies of the Parish for practical and purposeful work. Through efficient management, he leaves the Parish practically free of debt, and with the means to continue in the work of its high mission.

"The hearty desire and prayer of this Vestry go with Mr. Morrison for his continued happiness and usefulness as a co-laborer in the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven in the hearts of men"



Death of Mrs. Emily A. Jones

On May 30th, Mrs. Emily Amanda Jones passed into eternal life at the age of eighty years. She was the widow of Alexander H. Jones, one time vestryman of this parish. Mrs. Jones was a member of Christ Church for over fifty years and, until her late, long illness, was a faithful attendant at the services. She was always deeply interested in all that pertained to the welfare of the Parish and she often expressed herself that it was her greatest regret that, in her latter years she was deprived of the privilege of attendance at the services of Christ

Church. On Thanksgiving Day, three years ago, she presented to the Church the handsome brass processional cross, as "a thanksgiving offering for mercies received." She is survived by an only son, Charles.



The following financial report was rendered by Mr. Morrison at the last meeting of the Vestry:

	1921	1920
Cash on hand first of year	\$197.66	\$259.74
RECEIPTS		
<i>For Parish Purposes</i>		
From Envelope Contributions	4,612.21	4,319.97
" Plate Collections	717.45	802.84
" Pew Rents	2,124.50	1,992.33
" Easter Offering	1,400.54	1,367.90
" Jeffries Fund—Interest	1,861.69	1,480.18
" Miscellaneous Sources	634.14	741.39
" Sunday School	573.87	341.59
Total	\$11,924.40	\$11,046.20
<i>For Other Purposes</i>		
For Missions from Church	\$1,961.04	\$1,693.90
" Episcopal Hospital	145.35	74.27
" Missions from Sunday School	253.74	238.59
" Poor of Parish, etc.	976.80	663.99
Total	\$3,336.93	\$2,670.75
Total Cash on Hand & Receipts	\$15,458.99	\$13,976.69
DISBURSEMENTS		
<i>For Parish Purposes</i>		
For Salaries	\$4,805.00	\$4,418.00
" Choir & Ringing of Chimes	1,818.05	1,788.52
" Taxes, Water Rent & Insurance	834.42	486.90
" Fuel and Lights	882.45	874.43
" Repairs to Property	680.37	1,588.83
" Pension Fund	315.00	262.52
" Interest	74.15	115.20
" Ep. & Convention Fund	319.92	332.32
" Sunday School	616.62	500.00
" Miscellaneous	718.12	538.04
Total	\$11,064.10	\$10,904.76
<i>For Other Purposes</i>		
For General Missions	\$2,181.87	\$2,136.01
" Episcopal Hospital	145.35	74.27
" Poor of Parish, etc.	976.80	663.99
Total	\$3,304.02	\$2,874.27
Total Disbursements	\$14,368.12	\$13,779.03
Cash on hand at end of year	\$1,090.87	\$197.66

All bills paid up to date in both periods

J. I. MORRISON
Accounting Warden.



On Sunday morning, June 12th, Caroline Kent Worthington, granddaughter of Charles Spencer, was baptized in Christ Church. Mr. Spencer will be remembered by the older persons of the Parish, as at one time Accounting Warden of Christ Church and for many years an interested and generous member.

The font in which the grandchild was baptized was given by Mr. Spencer in

the name of his son, Lindsay Coleman Spencer, at the time of the rebuilding of the Church. June 12th, the date on which the Baptism was administered, was the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Mr. Spencer. Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Kent reside in West Chester, New York City.



Baptisms

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

May 8—William Robert Garvin.
May 8—John Minto Gibson.
May 22—Madeleine Sherbourne Potter.
June 12—Caroline Kent Worthington.



Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put assunder."

June 1—Clarence Bodey Davies, Sarah Ashton Booz.
June 15—John Peterson Clark, Emma Elizabeth Meyers.



Deaths

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

May 30—Emily Amanda Weiss Jones.



Mothers' Meeting

Greatly to our regret, we were obliged to postpone the picnic which we had planned for June the 7th. We trust, however, that it is only a deferred pleasure, and that we will be able to carry out our plans in the fall.

H. F. A.



The Sunday School Picnics

The Primary Department will hold their Picnic on Saturday afternoon, June 25th, at 3 o'clock. The main school will hold their Picnic at Bodensine's Grove, Fort Washington, on Monday, June 27th. Automobile busses will leave Parish House at 9.30 A. M. sharp. Everybody bring their lunch with them.

Our fund for repainting the school rooms is growing; we now have about \$75 and more to come.

We are sorry to lose Howard N. Fiest as a teacher. He has been commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps and has sailed for Haiti, West Indies. We welcome Prof. George C. Foust of Girard College who has come to us as a new teacher.

On Sunday, June 18th, each teacher and scholar is to be given a "Talent" for use during the summer so that it may grow into other "Talents" which will be brought to a "Social" in the Parish House the latter part of September and put into the fund for beautifying the school rooms.

I want every scholar to read in the New Testament what was done in the older days with "Talents" and I think they will have no difficulty in deciding what they ought to do with the "Talent" in the best interests of the school.

R. H. M.



The Bazaar

As a rallying point for all who have the interests of the parish in mind, and who desire to see the season of 1921-1922 marked by a really progressive step toward putting the equipment in the shape that it should be, THE BAZAAR makes its appeal for thought and action during the summer which is now upon us.

The Parish Committee, which represents all the various societies of the parish has arranged to conduct THE BAZAAR for a period of one afternoon and evening about the middle of November next.

The object for which THE BAZAAR is to be held is one which should commend itself to everyone in anyway connected with the church, being the general renovation of the Parish House, and to those who make use of the Parish House, and that means all of us, no special argument need be advanced as to why the interior of the Parish House should be made both inviting and comfortable.

THE BAZAAR will offer for sale Fancy Goods, Art Goods, Dolls, Toys, Candy, Cakes, Groceries, Canned Goods, and a multitude of other things which every-

body either needs or desires. There will also be numerous attractions for the amusement of patrons of all ages.

The particular appeal at this time is that everyone in the Parish commence thinking BAZAAR, and as the long summer days offer opportunity for doing something to pass away the time, will each one occupy that time in making something to be contributed to THE BAZAAR.

It may be asked how much the Committee plans to raise by THE BAZAAR.

The Committee has fixed upon this figure, \$1——.

It is for each one in the Parish to determine by the extent of his or her interest how many ciphers are to be added after the figure one.

Will you be a part of THE BAZAAR?
U. G. R.



Generosity

It is very often the case that generosity toward the church and charitable objects is not shown in the greatest degree by those who have the largest incomes. One of the happiest persons we have ever known was one who had a very small income and yet gave most generously to the dear Master, "Who," he said, "had given him so many blessings."

On the other hand we have known a person whose income was very much larger yet was always complaining of the demands made upon him and when he did give, gave so grudgingly that he received no happiness from giving and therefore, no blessing. At the same time this person was wont to say, "If only I were rich, I would give so much."

It is our opinion that they who are not faithful in a little will not be faithful in much.

The Bible tells us, "Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gathereth thou thyself—a good reward in the day of necessity."—Selected.



Poor Children's Outing Fund

After the CHIMES goes to press the offering will be taken in Christ Church

for the benefit of the "Poor Children's Outing Fund." This is one of the most worthy and appealing charities to which we can give. It goes toward providing the poor children in the courts and alleys of our city a week's outing in the country.

Three dollars will provide for one child. It is hoped that a large amount will be received at the offering to be taken in the church on Sunday, June 19. If any persons wish to give, who were not present in church on that Sunday, they may send their contribution to the Rector.



Everybody Work—including Father!

Everybody is going to work for the Fair to be given next fall; everybody, including father. This is too busy a world and too needy a one, to have any use for laggards. Get busy is the slogan. Bees won't tolerate drones; they cast them out from the hive. "No drones needed," wouldn't be a bad sign to post over every church door. We have a few drones left, but fortunately the species is rapidly becoming extinct.

Everybody is going to work for the Parish Fair to be held next fall. *Everybody*—including father, including even the drones, are going to work. This summer is a good time to begin. The old ladies can knit and the young ladies can crochet and embroider and make a lot of attractive things for the boys to buy, and the boys, including father, well, they are going to "save up" and buy all the pretty things that the girls make. It's going to be a great Fair, boys. *She* will be there! Everybody is going to begin *now* to prepare for the Fair. Read all about it more fully in another article in this month's CHIMES. Read about it and then begin to prepare. Prepare for the Fair!



The Prayer Book an Aid to Worship

"One great object of our Prayer Book has been to keep continually before men the duty of worshipping God. It is very sad to find how the idea of *worship* has dropped entirely out of the minds of

many. They go to hear the singing, or to listen to the preaching, or to gaze upon some novel exhibition. They have forgotten the great duty and privilege of **rendering** homage unto the Lord by **work** and act.

Our Prayer Book keeps ever before us the thought of worship. With such a book in their hands, high and low, rich and poor, have an equal part in the worship of God. They listen to the same exhortations and lessons, they utter the same confessions and prayers, recite the same belief and acknowledge the same mercy and loving kindness.

Everyone who comes to a service is treated as a worshipper. His religious experiences may be different from those of others. He may not be able to rejoice in the same full hope of salvation, but he is treated as one who, if he confesses his sins and believes in the promises of God in Christ, shall receive pardon. He is regarded as the possessor of a religious nature that can be instructed and helped and as having needs that can be satisfied when he draws near to God.

Note with what profound reverence he is taught by the Prayer Book to approach God. Mark the spirit and language of the prayers and praises. There is no familiar chatting with Deity, as if He were ignorant; but everything is solemn, humble, reverential, as it respects man, and ennobling and glorifying as it respects God.

Rev. W. George Shinn.



When a man can willingly forgo even the outward services of religion and stay away from the house of God and let the seasons of devotion and communion pass without a thought of regret, his faith and love must be at a low ebb, if, indeed, they have not altogether dried up and withered away. A living plant seeks water; a living soul longs for the refreshment of the sanctuary.—Van Dyke.

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With this issue the
twenty-first volume of
THE CHIMES ends. This
means that THE CHIMES
has been published for
twenty-one successive years without
interruption. The amount received
from subscriptions has not been suffi-
cient to meet the expense of publica-
tion. With this issue all subscriptions
expire, and it is earnestly hoped that
every member of the Parish will send
the price of subscription—fifty cents a
year to Mr. Robert W. Carmint, 6373
Sherman street, or to the Rector. Con-
tributions toward meeting the arrears
will also be gratefully received.

The publication of the *Chimes* will be
continued if the amount received from
subscriptions and contributions warrant
it. Otherwise the publication will be
discontinued.

Beginning This Fall

Now that vacation days are ended, I
hope to see all members of Christ
Church regularly in their places in the
House of God. I trust that each one
of us is taking up his life again this
fall with higher ideals and nobler pur-
poses. The world is calling, as it never
called before, for true, unselfish, con-
secrated men and women. The source
of all truth, all unselfish, consecrated
service is Christ, and the Church insti-
tuted by Christ, is the means, the chan-
nel by which and through which His
life and His power are conveyed.
"Without Me," says Christ, "ye can do
nothing."

Let us remember this, my friends,
and let each one of us resolve this fall
to be more regular in our religious
duties, more faithful in our Commu-
nions, more unselfish and more zealous
in our Christian work. I most earnestly
pray—yes, let all of us most earnestly
pray—that God's Holy Spirit may
come with power into each life in this

Parish, to arouse the indifferent, to
raise the fallen, to strengthen the weak,
to give patience and courage to the
faithful, that all may be filled more and
more with the love of Christ, which
will be manifested in prompt, unself-
ish, consecrated service.



There is one thing that every mem-
ber can do—that everyone should do—
and that is to be a home missionary,
to invite and to try to influence per-
sons in your neighborhood to attend
your Church. There is one member in
this Parish who has interested a score
of persons in Christ Church and Sun-
day School. There are others to whom,
it would seem, it has never occurred
that they had the least responsibility
of sharing their religion with their
neighbor. What a blessing it would
bring, both to themselves and to oth-
ers, if they were alive to this responsi-
bility!

Let every member of Christ Church
resolve this fall to share with others
their religious privileges. Let every
member of Christ Church make the
following resolution: "I resolve that,
for eight months, beginning now, I will
make an effort each week to bring at
least one person in my neighborhood
to Church with me."

Every member can, at least, try to
do this much.

Let everyone conscientiously try to
do all he or she can to bring others to
Church. By persistent effort and by
prayer miracles follow!



Important Notice

The Bishop of the Diocese has called
upon the clergy and laity to co-oper-
ate with him in arranging a series of
Missionary Conferences, to be held in
every parish of the Diocese during the
month of October.

These Conferences are for the "pur-
pose of imparting to the congregation
definite and graphic information on
the 'whole work of the whole

Church." The object "is essentially educational, to inform the mind and to awaken the conscience."

These Conferences will be addressed by leaders especially prepared to speak on the various aspects of the Church's work in the Diocese and in the wider field of missions, in our own and other lands.

This is an undertaking which will commend itself to every loyal member of the Church. I feel sure that every member of Christ Church will wish to co-operate in making these Conferences a success in this Parish. **The Plan.**

It has been arranged with the Executive Secretary of the Diocese that the Conference in this Parish will be held on Wednesday afternoon, October 26, at 4.30; Thursday afternoon, October 27th, at 4.30, and Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All Conferences to be held in the Parish House.

The speaker assigned to us is Charles L. McKeehan, Esq., who will give a series of full and concise addresses on the great missionary work and needs of the Church. The meetings will be informal, and opportunity will be given for discussion and the asking of questions.

The Rector urgently asks that every member of the Parish will set aside these dates and attend these meetings. Everyone will be benefited by attendance, and your presence will be an encouragement and a benefit to others.

Please remember the dates: Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, October 26th and 27th, at 4.30 o'clock, and Friday evening, October 28th, at 8 o'clock.

The series of Conferences will lead up to a service held in the Church on Sunday morning, November 6th, in commemoration of the hundredth anniversary of the Church's Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society.



On the first Sunday morning in the month, at the midday celebration of the Holy Communion, the usual sermon by the Rector will be dispensed with, and in its place he will give a

short meditation on some thoughts contained in the Epistle or Gospel for the day.

These meditations will be devotional in character, and intended to be preparatory to the Holy Communion which will follow.

We pray that these talks and meditations on the first Sunday in the month may be spiritually helpful to all.



A Letter from the Presiding Bishop

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.,
Germantown, Pa.

Reverend and Dear Sir:

No doubt you have already reminded your congregation that one hundred years ago this coming November our Church established its national missionary organization.

The Presiding Bishop and Council ask all the people of the Church to share in commemorating this great event, preferably during the week, October 30 to November 6.

The enclosed folder outlines the general plans suggested for the centennial. Some of them may not be practicable in every parish. Whatever else may have to be set aside, we would ask you to retain the Communion service and the centennial sermon or address.

Will you indicate on the enclosed card what you and your people will plan to do?

With God's blessing upon your leadership, we believe that the centennial will be a memorable experience in the spiritual life of your parish.

Call upon us for any help we can give you.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS F. GAILOR,

President of the Council.

JOHN W. WOOD,

Secretary Department of Missions.



The World Conference at Washington

Next month there will be gathered in the city of Washington the most important meeting of the representatives of the nations of the world that has ever been held.

What is done or left undone at that meeting will vitally affect all peoples of the earth, and the consequences will be felt by our children's children.

The Rector most cordially commends to the people of Christ Church the words of a correspondent in the *Living Church*:



An Appeal to the Christians of America

"Every loyal American citizen must be cognizant of the great responsibility resting upon his country in connection with the proposed Washington Conference called by his President. Each citizen, too, will recognize the awful burden resting upon the shoulders of the appointed delegates, by whom it is hoped future wars will be prevented and the day of disarmament and world peace ushered in. The ideal is tremendous, and, because it is so, anything like failure to achieve will mean a commensurate calamity.

"I should like to appeal to all Christians who will read this. Being such, they believe in prayer. They believe that, since it links the inadequate mind of man with the Divine Mind which created and orders the universe, it is the greatest agency for good placed in our possession. Since, then, it is a greater factor than even the discussions of statesmen, a responsibility rests upon the Christians of America quite as heavy as that to be borne by the Conference delegates. If American Christians leave the intricate problems to be solved by the minds of these delegates alone, we must expect a result human in its characteristics. If American Christians will see that they have a signal duty to perform in enlisting the guidance and blessing of God upon the Conference, they, since they are Christians, must expect a result in which can be seen the unmistakable direction of the Prince of Peace. President Harding's solemn words over the bodies of returned soldier dead, 'It must not be again,' are something more than a sentimental exclamation; they are a challenge to those who have it within their power to prevent future wars. Not least among these are the Christians of America, some of whom will read this appeal."

Kalendar for October

Oct. 2nd—Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 9th—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 16th—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 18th—St. Luke.
Oct. 23rd—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
Oct. 28th—St. Simon and St. Jude.
Oct. 30th—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.



Free Pew System in Christ Church

The following is reprinted from the June issue of *THE CHIMES*. It is repeated in this issue with the hope that they who may not have received the June *CHIMES* may read it in this issue:

"The Rector calls the attention of all attendants at the services of Christ Church to the announcement made by the Vestry of the adoption of the **Free Pew System in Christ Church**.

"This is considered by some a radical, if not a bold, change in the policy which has been in vogue in Christ Church since the beginning, and a risk to the financial support of the Parish. The Vestry recognizes such to be the case, but since the change meets almost unanimous approval of the present renters of pews and sittings, it is made in good faith and confidence that the people of Christ Church will generously respond to the urgent need of making up the amount of revenue, formerly received in pew rents, by an extension of the method of weekly giving through the envelope system, until every attendant will be enrolled on the books of the Parish as a regular contributing member.

"It is now, under the new system of free pews, more urgent than ever before that everyone in the Parish should recognize his or her personal responsibility and that each should subscribe a definite sum, so that there may be a definite income to the Church to meet the definite and fixed needs and expense of the Parish.

"The Rector is in hearty accord with the Vestry in their adoption of the new system of Church support, which, he

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THE RECTOR

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Vestry of the Church

James M. Woodroff (1901), Rector's Warden
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U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1919)
H. R. Baremore (1920)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.
Persons wishing to rent pews or sittings may apply to the Warden, Mr. J. I. Morrison, after any service, or address Wyncote, Pa.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Mondays, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Monday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.
HOLY COMMUNION
Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer, with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The Church has two sources from which regular income is derived.

First—Rental of Pews.

Second—The Envelope System.

All who are able are urgently requested to rent pews or sittings.

Those who are not able to do so will be cordially welcomed to seats in the Church and are invited to pledge themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

All should contribute in one of these ways to the support of the work of the Church.

The following are forms of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, two thousand dollars for the endowment of pew in said Church, to be called the

Memorial Pew.

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note.—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

believes, to be more in line with the changed conditions of society, in closer harmony with the genius of American democracy and in nearer accord with the principles and spirit of Christianity.

"It remains to be seen whether the attendants at the services of Christ Church will promptly and generously respond to the larger privileges which the new system extends to them and the greater responsibility it places on each individual member.

"The Rector believes that the members of Christ Church and all who attend the services will rise to the new opportunity and the new responsibility and will respond to their new privileges in a substantial and generous measure!



"Persons who have been accustomed to sit in certain definite places in the Church should continue to do so. The 'family unit' should be preserved and members of the family should, if possible, sit together. This will be perfectly feasible, under the new system, provided persons arrive at the Church on time. If the new system will tend to bring people to Church before the service begins and will reduce the number of those who habitually come late, it will have accomplished great things. We hope that this may be so.



✓ "Strangers and newcomers in this vicinity, if hitherto they have had any hesitancy in sitting in other people's pews, will no longer have this as a cause for not feeling welcome to the worship of Christ Church.

"All pews are now free and unassigned in Christ Church. Persons may feel perfectly free and welcome to sit anywhere. The invitation is to everyone. 'Whosoever will, let him come.'

"It is hoped that newcomers in this vicinity of Germantown will avail themselves of this cordial invitation and will let their names and addresses be known to the Rector, that he may meet them and welcome them to the Church."

Envelope Subscribers

The number who subscribe through the envelope system now amounts to 280. It is greatly to be desired that the number of subscribers shall be extended until it reaches every attendant at the services of Christ Church. The expenses of the Church go on whether the members are present or not, and every person will wish to do his or her share. Parents should inculcate in their children the habit of unselfish giving by systematic and regular methods. This should be done in the interest of the child's own future happiness as well as for the interest of the Church. A selfish person can never be happy. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus Christ, how He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."—Act. 20: 35. Every member of every family in the Parish should have his or her individual envelopes and should give regularly and conscientiously to the work of the Church. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him."—I Cor. 16: 2.

Pledge cards will be found in the racks in the vestibule or may be had by applying to the Verger. Please sign these pledge cards and place them in the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to your address.



A Letter of Thanks to the People of Christ Church

City Mission, Philadelphia, Pa.,
July 15th, 1921.

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Brother:

Just a line to acknowledge your fine letter of June 30th and to thank you for your usual generous remembrance of the City Mission summer outing work for women and children. What a splendid thing it would be if every Church in the Diocese would follow your practical example of real Christian help for the poor of the Church as well as of the city. May your vacation be one of the finest you ever had in your life. The consciousness of what you have done for those who are

constrained to remain in the hot city courts of Philadelphia ought to increase your happiness a hundredfold, and you deserve it all.

Sincerely yours,

H. CRESSON McHENRY.

Letters similar to the above have been received from the "Children's Country Week Association," "the Bedford Street Mission," and from many individuals whom the people of our Parish have helped, by their generous contributions, during the past summer.



The Bazaar

Summer has gone, and it is hoped that the appeal which was made in the spring has resulted in our people having gathered together a goodly number of articles to be contributed for sale at **The Bazaar**.

It may bear repeating that **The Bazaar** is for our—or, better, your—benefit, as its object is to help provide a fund for the general renovation of the Parish property. This should meet with a ready response from everyone, and if every member of the Parish will resolve to be present at some time on the day of **The Bazaar**, not only will **The Bazaar** be a success from the standpoint of raising funds, but it will also prove to be a real reunion for the inauguration of the fall and winter work of the Church.

The Bazaar will be held on one afternoon and evening during the latter half of November, and the day will probably be Thursday, so that when it is stated that among the plans are the serving of a supper, this feature should reassure those who might want to spend both afternoon and evening at **The Bazaar**. The supper will also bring the answer to those to whom the Thursday evening meal is a question.

The committee has launched **The Bazaar**, but its success depends upon the interest of everyone in the Parish.

Will you not begin to gather together your donations to the cause?

There are wanted useful articles, fancy articles, toys, dolls, books, candy, cakes, canned goods (either single cans or cases), package food articles,

framed pictures, potted plants, toilet articles, school supplies or any other articles which may be offered for sale.

There will be a committee appointed to solicit and receive donations, but those who care to contribute may present their donations to any of the Parish societies.

Everybody should be a part of **The Bazaar**.

Do your share and you will be gratified by the results.

Don't wish you had, but be glad you did.

U. G. R.



From the Accounting Warden

It is hoped that the action of the Vestry in terminating the renting of pews in Christ Church will be supported by all the former pewholders. It is now asked of them that they will give as a contribution either through the envelopes weekly or, if they would prefer, to send to the Accounting Warden a check monthly, quarterly or semi-annually for the amount formerly contributed as pew rent. If this is done it will greatly assist in making this movement the great success which is hoped for it.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.



Girls' Friendly Society

The first meeting this fall will be held on Tuesday, October 4th. Great plans are being made for the fall and winter meetings of the G. F. S., which, at present, cannot be announced.

By the next issue of **THE CHIMES** we will have lots of things to tell you.

G. M. G.



The Sunday School

Our School resumed its regular sessions on September 18th with 150 present, an unusually good attendance for the first Sunday. During the summer, instead of the usual sessions in the Parish House, we attended services in the Church and had an average of 60 to 75 present.

Our program for this year will be announced later and will start with a "Social Evening" on Friday, October 14th, when we will bring in the results

of the "Talent" which over 100 scholars received in June, and which was to be put to work during the summer. We hope to have reports as to how the "Talents" grew, which will be very interesting.

We hope that by all working together this year to build up the School by increasing the number of both scholars and teachers, to improve our teaching and to do some definite missionary work.

We will hold our "Thanksgiving Party" as usual, and let us begin now to accumulate cans of soup and vegetables, as Mr. Arndt expects to have many more hungry people to look after this winter than last year, as so many cannot find work to do or are only working part of the time. Last year we brought in over 600 cans or packages of food. Let us make it over 1,000 this year.

We have lost two or three teachers due to moving away or illness, and we want two additional teachers. Will not some men or women of our Parish who read this come and call on us, and we think if they see us at work they will be more than willing to work?

R. H. M.



A Germantown Convocational Event

The Christ Church delegates to the Woman's Aid to the Convocation of Germantown ask the interest and co-operation of all the women of the Parish in a concerted effort to raise funds to help in carrying on most important mission work within the Convocation. Please let me say here just a word of explanation. The Germantown Convocation is comprised of forty-two churches, in Bucks County and in some parts of Philadelphia County. Many of these smaller churches are greatly in need of help and it is to this end that the women of the different parishes unite in an effort to render aid to these struggling missions in the outlying districts of Philadelphia. We feel that we need to get together, so that we can extend the hand of fellowship and sympathy in a more understanding way. On Tuesday, October 11th, there is to be a luncheon

followed by a sale of aprons, cake and candy. It is to be held at St. Luke's Parish House, Main and Coulter streets, as that location is the most accessible to the many different churches. All we need for great success is enthusiasm throughout the Convocation.

Please keep the day free and give us your support.

Aprons of all kinds wanted. Send the same to Mrs. T. W. Jopson, 314 High street, Germantown, by October 8th.

Cake and candy to be sent to the Parish House on day of sale. Tickets for the luncheon may be had from Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, 190 Maplewood avenue.

L. M. R.



Woman's Auxiliary

(Woman's Missionary Society)

The first meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held at the Parish House on Friday, September 16th, fourteen members being present. The meeting was a business one, to discuss plans for the coming year's work. We decided to change the day of our meetings from the third Friday to the third Thursday in each month, as the latter seemed to suit the majority of the members much better than Friday.

The schedule of our meetings this winter will be as follows: The sewing will commence at 10.30 A. M. At 1 P. M. a luncheon will be served by a committee of three ladies, previously appointed. A charge of 25 cents will be made for the luncheon. It is requested that each member who expects to be present for luncheon will kindly advise, in advance, Mrs. William N. Johnson, chairman of the next committee, so that we may know how many to provide for. We feel confident that these simple luncheons will help to unite the women of our Parish in a closer bond of understanding fellowship. In the afternoon, at 2.30, we will have the business meeting, with reports from the delegates on the five different branches of the missionary work. At times we shall hope to have special speakers to address us.

The Woman's Auxiliary is one of the most vital organizations of our Church, in that it gives to women the opportunity to further Christ's kingdom both at home and abroad. Should we not feel this a personal call as members of our Parish branch? Is it too much to give one day a month of our time and of our means as we are able? Some of us have heard this voice calling to us from the mission field, but we want to beg others to join us in this tremendous work. We should deem it a real privilege to take our share in this mission work. We want every woman in our Parish to become either an active member or at least a contributing member. At present we have 76 of the latter, which means that we are able to do more than we have ever done before. We are, however, looking forward to accomplishing still bigger things. "Now is the appointed time." This fall we are commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary. Let each and every woman in our Parish rally to the support of our Auxiliary, for "a new day has dawned," and we must go forward so as to achieve greater results.

L. M. R.

Men Who Are Discouraged, Remember This

When Abraham Lincoln was a young man he ran for the Legislature in Illinois, and was badly swamped.

He next entered business, failed, and spent seventeen years of his life paying up the debts of a worthless partner.

He was in love with a beautiful young woman, to whom he was engaged—then she died.

Later he married a woman who was a constant burden to him.

Entering politics again, he ran for Congress, and again was badly defeated.

He then tried to get an appointment to the United States Land Office, but failed.

He became a candidate for the United States Senate and was badly defeated.

In 1856 he became a candidate for the Vice-Presidency, and was once more defeated.

In 1858 he was defeated by Douglas.

One failure after another—bad failures—great setbacks. In the face of all this he eventually became one of the greatest men of America, whose memory is honored and loved throughout the world.

When you contemplate the effect of a series of setbacks like this, doesn't it make you feel kind of small to become discouraged, just because you think you are having a hard time in life?—*Selected.*



The Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King begin their meetings on Monday, October 17, at 8 P. M., at the Rectory, where work will be laid out for the coming season.



Women's Bible Class

The Women's Bible Class will hold its first meeting on Sunday, October 9, at 3 P. M. Will not each member feel it a personal responsibility to enlarge the class by bringing a new member with her?



Mothers' Meeting

The sessions of the Mothers' Meeting will begin on Tuesday, October 11, at 2.30. The plans for the winter's work are not fully matured, but we hope to make the meetings pleasant and profitable.



Men's Bible Class

September, 1921, was the sixth anniversary of the inauguration of the Men's Bible Class in our Parish, and the fact that during these years the class has met continuously is worthy of mention. Through the past summer the average attendance at our informal sessions has been eighteen, and with the return of the vacationists and cooler weather a decided increase has already been noted.

The class has a most competent leader in Robert P. Shick, Esq., who has been very faithful in his effort to apply the Bible teachings to the everyday affairs of life. The only regret is that a number of men connected with Christ Church have not availed themselves of the opportunity to participate in these discussions, and by their interest and effort assist in making the class an influence for good in this community.

Recognition should be made at this time of the regularity with which Mr. J. W. O. Burness has presided at the piano. During the entire six years he has only been absent two Sundays—a record no other man in the class can equal. "Music hath charms," some one has said, but when a bunch of men get together on Sunday morning and try to sing, music becomes a necessity.

Our President, Frederick Lennig, is back on the job after a summer by the sea, and, being a worker, the coming winter promises big results. If you, Mr. Reader, are now a class member, see that you do your part by attendance and missionary work among your friends and neighbors. If not a member, we will be glad to welcome you any Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock, and you won't regret the effort.

C. H. J.



Altar Guild

The Altar Guild will resume its regular monthly business meetings on October 10th, when plans for the coming season will be discussed.

Serving committees for October are as follows:

Oct. 1st to 7th—Misses Dean, Crowder, M. Thompson.

Oct. 7th to 14th—Misses Mauser, E. Thompson, Mrs. Cotton.

Oct. 14th to 21st—Misses Chase, Strein, Praker.

Oct. 21st to 28th—Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

Remember Our Friends, The Advertisers

Boy Scouts to the Front

"Mentally awake" is a part of the Boy Scout oath, and that part of it describes our Troop to a T. Never in the history of Troop 153 has the organization been in such flourishing condition. At the Review Board of the Court of Honor, Scouts Deen, Donaldson and Gallagher took examinations as first class Scouts. They had to know how to swim. They had to send and receive messages by signal. They were asked all manner of questions: "Did the American flag ever have more than thirteen stripes?" "What is a compound fracture, and how do you treat it if there is no doctor within a hundred miles?" "What is fainting and what do you do?"

After answering questions they produced their maps and the accounts of fourteen-mile hikes. And, to cap the climax, they were drilled to find out whether they were honestly living up to the Scout oath and law.

Yes, that Troop is awake. The boys unanimously decided that you don't get anywhere unless you work, and from the youngest boy to the Scoutmaster, especially Assistant S. M. Gallagher, they are working, and they are most decidedly getting somewhere.

Listen to this: Our Scouts are making road signs reading "Philadelphia, 1926," and they propose to put them on highways everywhere. Scout Bockius, formerly of our Troop, will put one in Idaho. Scout Parker will put one in San Francisco. The Atlantic City Council will put one down there. If the whole United States does not know the centennial by 1926 it will not be the fault of Christ Church and its Boy Scout Troop—the Troop that took the woe out of slow in Philadelphia, and turning the world upside down made 1926 look like 9261. Our motto is "Be Prepared."

Mr. Man, send your son to a dancing class, if you care to make a sissy of him. But, if you intend to make of him a red-blooded man with a democratic interest in the world and its affairs send him to Troop 153. Meets Monday nights. We will look for you!

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on
the first Tuesday after Easter and on the
first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church;
"A Communicant moving from one Parish
to another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are
free and unassigned. The support of the work
depends upon the voluntary offering of the
members of the Congregation. All are
cordially welcomed and are invited to con-
tribute regularly by pledging themselves to
pay weekly through the Envelope System such
sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church
Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church,
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vania, the sum of

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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment
Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be attested
by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the
bequest is void.

The Chimes

With this issue begins a new volume of the CHIMES, volume XXII. At the request of the publishers there has been a slight change in the form of the paper.

May we repeat here that subscriptions and contributions are solicited from the members of the congregation to defray the expense of publication?



An Appeal to Christian Citizens!



On Armistice Day the people of this nation were called by the President of the United States to pour out their prayers to God on behalf of the peace of the world and that the hearts and minds of those assembled in Conference in the city of Washington may be directed by His Holy Spirit in the way of righteousness and peace.

The Conference will be in session, probably for several weeks. The prayers of Christian people must continue through all these coming weeks, to go up to the Throne of Grace on behalf of those assembled in this solemn conclave and in behalf of the nations of the world. Prayer links the inadequate mind of man with the Divine mind which created and orders the universe. It is the greatest agency for good placed in our possession. Since, then, it is a greater factor than even the discussions of statesmen, a responsibility rests upon the Christians of America, upon the Christians of the world, quite as heavy as that borne by the Conference delegates. If American Christians leave the intricate problems to be solved by the minds of these delegates alone, we must expect a result that is human in its characteristics, and

therefore, futile. If American Christians will realize that they have a sacred duty to perform in enlisting the guidance and blessing of God upon the Conference, they, since they are Christians, must expect a result in which can be seen the unmistakable direction of the Prince of Peace.

"It must not be again"—said President Harding over the graves of our martyred dead. It need not be again, if Christian people of the world will rise in their might, in the might of their prayers to God and declare "by the Grace of God it shall not be again."

This day then is the Christian's day—his challenge and his opportunity, to be a true apostle of the Prince of Peace. The challenge is plain:

"Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, whereby ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; and for me,

that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak."



The Rector recommends that the following prayers shall be said daily during the Armistice Conference.

Prayer for Disarmament

By the Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske,
D.D. Bishop Coadjutor of Central
New York

O Lord God of the nations, Who through Thy prophets of old has foretold a day when the armaments of war shall be beaten into the instruments of peace; hasten, we beseech Thee, the fulfilment of this Thy most sure promise. Guide especially by Thy Holy Spirit those who are to meet in conference for the promotion of good will among all peoples. Give to men of every nation the spirit of peace, without which the counsels of rulers and leaders can avail nothing, and so move upon their hearts that they may earnestly desire and steadfastly labor for that day of peace for which we plan and pray. Give to us all a ready will to love and serve Thee, such as may speedily bring the world out of its present confusion into the order and peace of Thy Kingdom. All of which we ask in the Name and through the merits of Him Who came to be the Prince of Peace, Thy Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

For International Fellowship

O God, Who hast appointed a day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, quicken our loyalty to Thee that we may now and always choose Thy will as our will, Thy way as our way, Thy peace as our peace. So lock our fortunes to Thy purpose in these days of perplexity and suffering that we may be satisfied with nothing less than a world at unity with itself, and, in abiding fellowship, win for mankind that freedom and mutual trust which will enable all nations to bring their glory and honor into Thy Kingdom, through Him Who came to set men free, Jesus our King. Amen.

Please Note!

The question has been asked the Rector whether the worshipper at the Holy Communion should stand or kneel at the *Gloria in Excelsis*. The rubric is very plain; "then shall be said or sung, *all standing, Gloria in Excelsis*." Therefore, it is not rubrical to kneel at that time.

Another question is asked: "Should the Communicant take the cup with his hand in receiving?" The chalice or cup should be guided to the lips by *both hands* of the Communicant, but should not be taken out of the hands of the priest. The rubric (page 237) states that it shall be delivered "into their hands." It is very awkward at times for the priest to administer the cup to persons who refuse to guide it to their lips with their hands—both hands.

"Is it proper to leave the Church before the end of the Communion Service?" It is not proper, it is very improper, except in cases of necessity, which are rare.

"May a Communicant of another parish come to the Holy Communion in a strange parish?" Most certainly, yes! If the person comes in the spirit which the Prayer Book, in the Communion Service, prescribes. If, however, a person has changed his residence from one parish to another it is his duty to procure a letter from the Rector of his former parish, transferring him to the Rector of the parish Church which he attends.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

A Corporate Communion of Confirmed Men and Boys

For many years past it has been the commendable custom of the members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew throughout the country to mark the first Sunday in Advent, the Sunday nearest to St. Andrew Day, by a Corporate Communion of all members of the order and to invite other confirmed men and boys to unite with them in this sacred service.

Sunday, November 27th, the first Sunday in Advent, is the beginning of the new Church Year. It is a most fitting time for a Corporate Communion of men and boys of the Church, providing an opportunity for them to offer their united prayers to God for His blessing upon themselves, upon all men everywhere, and upon the work of the Church in the year ahead. I hope that there will be present a large attendance of the men and boys of the Parish at this Service on Sunday, November 27th. St. Andrew's Day, the following Wednesday (the 30th), suggests we follow the example of that blessed Apostle, and bring another with us.



Some Reasons for a Cathedral

At the Service in the Memorial Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia, held on the Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude, to mark the tenth anniversary of the Convocation of Bishop Rhinelander and Bishop Suffragan Garland of this diocese, the Rev. Dr. Alexander Mann, Rector of Trinity Church, Boston, the Church of which Bishop Philips Brooks was formerly Rector, gave a strong address on the "Relation of the Cathedral to the Parish Church." In the course of his address he gave some reasons for the existence of a Cathedral.

Dr. Mann said in part:

"In the present divided state of the Church the Cathedral cannot stand as it once did for the unity of Christendom. But we need Cathedrals in our great cities to stand for certain great ideals.

"The Cathedral shows the place spiritual interests ought to hold in a great city. Our houses of worship must not be dwarfed by great temples of art or commerce.

"Again the Cathedral stands for the place reverence holds in religion. The sorest lack in popular American Christianity today is the want of a sense of awe and worship.

"To lose the sense of reverence is to lose the foundation upon which all religion is built.

"The Cathedral stands for the impersonal side of religion.

"Just as men feel free to enter our public libraries or museums because they are citizens, so there should be centers of worship where they could come and go with a sense of freedom.

"The Cathedral is for us the symbol of the unity of the diocese. Upon a congregational foundation we have our episcopal Episcopate. It is our bond of union."

Coming to his main theme Dr. Mann emphasized the importance of conserving the strength of the parishes. He said, "The parish is the household of faith, the family, the fundamental unit of Church life. The parish is the source and spring of spiritual strength and worth of the diocese. Any bishop who would undertake to build up a Cathedral through the disintegration of parishes would destroy the diocese at its root.

"The Cathedral should in no sense be a rival of parishes. So far from being a disintegrating force among the parishes it should be the culmination, crown, and fruition of

all the loyalty, sacrifice, and service of the parishes of the diocese."



Interest in the "Prayer Book Questions"

A list of "Questions on the Prayer Book" was recently published in the Christ Church CHIMES as an incentive to the scholars in our Church School to the study of the Prayer Book. Several scholars of Christ Church School submitted their answers to the Rector, one scholar answering perfectly all but three of the questions asked, and note of it was made in the CHIMES.

The list of "questions" has been copied in a national publication the *Royal Cross*, the official organ of the "Order of the Daughters of the King" and duly credited to the CHIMES. This excellent magazine is evidently read, far and wide, by Church people, for the Rector has recently received letters from many sections of the country, submitting answers to the questions and asking for fuller information concerning them. One letter from Chicago reads: "I have gotten several persons interested in finding the answers to the questions and all are quite agreed on some of them. I volunteered to write to ask if you have a written or a printed copy of the correct answers, and if so, would you be kind enough to let me have one?" A letter from St. Louis reads: "I think the questions are splendid for anyone not familiar with the treasures of our beloved Book of Common Prayer, and also for those making a study of the book and I am anxious that others should have the benefit of them."

A "shut in" from the Diocese of Florida asks that the correct answers be published. One "Daughter of the King" from Lafayette, Indiana, has sent a com-

plete answer to all the questions.

In view of the general interest which this list of Questions seems to have aroused in many quarters and in response to the requests made for their correct answers, the Rector is pleased to publish in this issue of the Chimes, the original list inserting, in parenthesis, after each question, the number of the page in the Prayer Book, where the answers may be found.

The following is the list of questions, with Prayer Book prayer *page* appended.

- 1—From what date has the American Prayer Book been used? (Page IV.)
- 2—Was the whole present book set forth for use at the same time? (509.)
- 3—What part of the book was added last? (509.)
- 4—What Psalms are said on the 31st day of the month? (VII.)
- 5—When is the Venite not to be said in Morning Prayer? (6.)
- 6—Where is it indicated that the people should not join in saying a Psalm? (286, 546.)
- 7—What other name is given to the Sixth Sunday in Lent? (96.)
- 8—When is Holy Thursday? XXIV—Table of Fasts.)
- 9—How is Easter found each year? (XXVI. A.)
- 10—How do you find the "Golden Number" or "Prime?" (XXVII.; XXVIII.—See Tables.)
- 11—If the President or Governor should fail to appoint Thanksgiving Day what would the Church observe? (XXIV.)
- 12—What Feast has three titles? (59.)
- 13—What Collect, Epistle and Gospel are ordinarily said on a week day? (52.)
- 14—What Sunday Collect may be used for only three days? (94.)
- 15—Which Collects are addressed to our Lord? (55, 62, 99.)
- 16—What days have two Collects, Epistles and Gospels? (58-60, 125-7.)
- 17—When must the Nicene Creed be said? (224.)
- 18—When must the Creed be said in interrogative form? (284)

- 19—Is there anything in the Communion Office to indicate that the people should stay until the end of the service? (240—"The Minister and other Communicants shall, etc.")
- 20—If the Bishop is present in the Chancel at the Communion, what part of the service must he take? (231, 238.)
- 21—Where may the Communion Table be placed if not in the Chancel? (221.)
- 22—In what service is the word "Altar" used? (553.)
- 23—When does the sermon come before the Communion Office? (510, 514, 554.)
- 24—Where is the Holy Communion called the "Eucharist"? (554.)
- 25—Who is directed to control the music? (228.)
- 26—Why should a Bishop be able to sing? (519, 528.)
- 27—Where is given permission to sing an anthem? (228, 298.)
- 28—To what person in the Trinity are most of the petitions addressed? (To God the Father.)
- 29—Where are the prayers appointed to be said by single persons who cannot meet with others? (307.)
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- 31—What prayer is named for a Saint? (15.)
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- 38—How is the Priest to know if any one is sick? (281.)
- 39—Where is it said that "from the Apostles' time there have been three orders of ministry—Bishops, Priests and Deacons?" (509.)
- 40—How long must a Deacon remain in office? (513.)
- 41—How is a Bishop to be addressed in Divine Service? (510-14, 525, 273.)
- 42—When does a Minister enter upon a service without being completely vested? (528.)
- 43—Where is the Lord's Prayer directed to be said by the Minister alone? (221.)
- 44—At what services only is it directed that there shall be a sermon? (225, 510, 514.)
- 45—What Rubric directs how a woman should be dressed? (303.)
- 46—When is the Te Deum allowed as a special act of thanksgiving? (311.)
- 47—Upon what three occasions may a member of the congregation interrupt the service? (277, 510, 514.)
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- 49—In what service is it required to have the keys of the church? (551.)
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- Baptisms**
- "In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."*
- September 1—William Nelson Britton, Jr.
- September 24—David Arthur Pritchard.
- October 9 — Charles Edgar Mooney.
- October 16—William Melches Whitby.
- November 13—Dorothea Viola Frech.
- ✠
- Marriages**
- "Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."*
- September 3—William Ernest Turner and Edythe Elizabeth Smith.
- September 14 — Victor N. McMullin and Marjorie Bessie Howell.
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- Deaths**
- "Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."*
- July 25—Lucy M. Gauss.
- September 18—George Waldman.

September 28—William Barnhurst.
 October 6—Sarah Kelsall Kirk.
 October 6—Mary Louise Donlevy.
 October 28—Lena Seltner Koepler.
 November 3—Anna Maria Sharps.
 November 5—Anne R. Warner.

New Church Calendars for 1922

The usual Christ Church Calendars will be issued for 1922 and may be purchased from the vergers after December 1st. They will have the proper lessons to be read in Church on Sundays and the Holy Days of the Church year marked with their proper colors. There should be a Christ Church Calendar in every home in the Parish. They make an appropriate gift for Christmas.

Electric Lights in the Rectory

Through the generosity of a member of the congregation, electric lights have been recently installed in Christ Church Rectory. A vote of thanks was extended by the vestry, to the generous donor.

A New Organ Needed in Christ Church

One of the greatest needs of our Parish is a new organ by the Church. The present organ has been in use in the Church for almost seventy years. It was formerly in the old Church building, which was destroyed in 1878. It is antiquated and wholly inadequate to the present day needs. Who will give an organ? Who is willing to start the "New Organ Fund?" The Rector will be pleased to hear from any who may be interested.

Memorial Alms Plates

Four memorial alms plates, to take the place of the smaller ones, which have been used in Christ Church for many years past, were consecrated by the Rector on All

Saints' Day. They are the gift of Mrs. Eckersley in memory of her husband, Mr. James H. Eckersley, who died January 10, 1921.

A very successful men's dinner was given in the Parish House on October 26th, about one hundred men being present. Addresses on "The Mission of the Church" were made by Mr. W. P. Barba, Mr. G. B. Shelby and Charles L. McKeehan, Esq. The Rector acted as toastmaster and an interesting general discussion followed the addresses.

The dinner was prepared and served by a Parish Committee, of which Mr. James Carmint was chairman. How the Committee was able to serve such a sumptuous dinner for the small price asked was, and still remains, a mystery to all who were present. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Carmint and his Committee, and to the ladies who served at the dinner.

New Vestrymen Elected

At the last meeting of the Vestry, held in October two new members were elected to the Vestry, Dr. Thomas H. Carmichael to fill the place of Mr. Henry R. Baremore, deceased and Charles W. Sutcliffe, Jr., to fill the place of Mr. J. I. Morrison (resigned). Both Dr. Carmichael and Mr. Sutcliffe have been members of the parish for many years.

As the CHIMES goes to press a Bazaar and Supper is being held in the Parish House by the members of the various Guilds of the Parish. The object is to raise money for the renovation of the interior of the Parish Buildings. A report of the Bazaar and Supper will be given in the next issue of the CHIMES.

Woman's Auxiliary

The work of the Woman's Auxiliary is progressing favorably. The October meeting was an especially interesting one as we had the Rev. Mr. Ramsam, of St. John's School, Cape Mount, Liberia, to talk to us. The mental picture he gave us of his work and surroundings was a very vivid one. Surely the task of the missionary is a hard one—a task which commands the interest and support of each and every one of us. We were glad to be able to help Mr. Ramsam by giving him an "Underwood" typewriter, for use in the school. The "luncheon hour" was a most restful and enjoyable one, 18 members being present. I wish that many other women of our Parish would join us at these meetings. We shall have special speakers to address us from time to time. The next meeting will be held on November 10th. The schedule of the meetings has been changed somewhat in order to accomplish more sewing: we will have the business meeting at 11 o'clock followed by luncheon at 12.30, sewing to begin at 1.30.

Last year, we only made about 35 garments, this year we are planning to make a much larger number. If all the women of our Parish will set aside a few hours, for this work *once a month*, we shall succeed.

L. M. R.



The Church School

As announced in the October number of the CHIMES, the feature for November will be the Thanksgiving Party, which event has grown to be considered one of the real charitable works undertaken by the School.

The date of the party has not yet been definitely determined upon, but will be announced shortly, and we would suggest to anyone who

has not seen how much joy the children can derive from their giving to a most worthy cause, that they come to the party. The admission is free, although donations of canned goods or packages of food stuff are acceptable.

We can assure you that the witnessing of how much pleasure can be obtained from helping your neighbors will more than repay for the effort of the visit.

We are anxious that the party this year be better than any which have preceded it, and we feel that the best way to help to this end, is to have all members of the school present at the Sunday morning sessions.



What a tremendous influence it would be if the Superintendent could be greeted, if only on one Sunday, with 100% attendance.

This can be done if *you* will be there.

When we stay away we are so apt to think that our absence will make little difference, but to those who attend, what awful vacant spaces those absentees make.

Will not each one realize that he or she is just the person needed to encourage the others?

The school feels that it is fortunate in being able to welcome several new teachers, among whom are the Misses Maud Thompson, Edith Thompson, Dorothy Manser and Edna Naegle, as well as the return of Mr. Howard Feist.

We again repeat our old appeal to the parents and friends of children of the Parish.

Will you not help the school by—
Sending your children?

Seeing that they leave home in time to be at the school by 9.45 A. M.?

Giving the Superintendent the name and address of any child not

attending any school? It is your school. Will you support it in the way indicated?



U. G. R.

The Mothers' Meeting

The work of the Mothers' Meeting thus far has been largely devoted to the making of articles for the Bazaar held on November 17. The meetings have been largely attended and Tuesday afternoons have come to mean a pleasant as well as a profitable time. The Rector usually joins us the latter part of the afternoon and holds a religious service, after which tea and cakes are served, and on the first Tuesday of each month, ice-cream and cake are provided for us. The endeavor is to be made to have a speaker on the first Tuesday of each month who will bring to us something in which the women of today are vitally interested.

H. F. A.



Altar Guild

The Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly business meetings on Monday evening, October 10th. At that time Mr. Arndt appointed Miss Bessie Chase as chairman to take the place of Mrs. H. R. Baremore, who has moved from the city.

Members of the Guild arranged the altars for the services on All Saints' Day, at which time a great many memorial flowers were sent. We are now making preparations for the Thanksgiving Day service. We have recently purchased new book markers for all the small altar books.

The serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

November 18 to November 25—
Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

November 25 to December 2—
Misses Dean, Crowder.

December 2 to December 9—
Misses Manser, E. Thompson, M. Thompson, Mrs. Cattory.

December 9 to December 16—
Misses Chase, Strein.

G. F. D.



The Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King held their meeting of the season at the Rectory on October 17. Lists of names were given the different members of people to be visited in reference to the Missionary Conferences. One of the members has volunteered to distribute the flowers from the Altar on Monday mornings. It was decided to have two meetings a month, taking up a systematic study of the Bible as a whole. The Rector is depending upon the chapter to assist him during the winter by calling upon new members of the Parish, and those who are ill. The 82nd Diocesan Local Assembly of the Order was held on November 10, at St. Matthew's Church. The Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of that Parish met on the same evening, and after the business meetings of the two organizations were held, they met in one room to hear an interesting address by Mr. Franklin H. Spencer, Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood. The meeting together of these two organizations whose work is so similar proved to be most helpful.



Boys' Scouts

OPEN LETTER TO THE PARISH
Dear Friends:

Time was, when he who carried arms and could swing the heaviest club, was the aristocrat of the Middle Ages. Time was, when he who amassed the largest fortune, wore a top hat and carried a gold

cane was the aristocrat of the nineteenth century.

Times have changed—at the close of the first quarter of the twentieth century, thanks to the persistent influence upon mankind of Him who gave Himself, the time has arrived, when he, and he alone, who renders service, is recognized as the true aristocrat.

The Church has undergone a similar change. The old prayer, "God bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife—we four and no more," is out of fashion. The modern Church does not multiply itself by means of an inquisition. The Church has become Christlike. It stands in the community and sends forth upon the four winds from its belfry music that breathes into the neighborhood the spirit of service.

As a man who was invited to come into Christ Church from the outside—and yet in entire sympathy with the Parish—allow me to pay this tribute to Christ Church. Christ Church is modern. It is Christlike. I can prove it.

As the Scoutmaster of the Boy Scout Troop that meets here every Monday evening, I can see the altruistic work of the Parish. This troop is not a selfish Parish troop invented "to hold our boys." It is a community troop which shelters scouts of every creed. Almost everybody is welcome. A boy once told me that he was not a scout because "scouting is too much like work." That boy is not welcome. We don't want him. We have none like him, they dropped out long ago. The boy on the other hand who is willing to work, who finds himself in a higher rank of scouting at the end of the year because he has worked, the boy who has a clear cut conception of community service—that boy sticks. We want more like

him and we are getting them. This fall we have averaged to add one new boy at each meeting.

Now, Christ Church through its Boy Scouts Troop is rendering a service to boys but the regret on my part as Scoutmaster is that we are not rendering a service to more boys who are members of Christ Church. This is due solely to a lack of publicity. If the people knew what our troop does they would send their boys.

Come around next Monday night and bring your boy. We have visitors every time we meet. It is quite customary. Ladies are most welcome. You will find out what it is that makes scouting the most popular thing in a boy's life. I know that is a big statement but I know what I am talking about. My son is a scout. Scouting is as popular with boys as Christmas Day. Try an experiment with your boy. See what kind of stuff he is made of. If he hates scouting he is very likely a grafter who grafts on you for one. If he likes scouting it will be because he has an inherent desire for progress and to serve and to be reverent and he finds in scouting an outlet, an opening through which to express the highest that is in him.

Finally that our troop appreciates what Christ Church is doing for us and for the community through its Boy Scout Troop goes without saying.

Cordially yours,

GEO. I. BODINE, JR.
Scoutmaster, Troop 153.



The services on Thanksgiving Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Special Thanksgiving Service and address, 11.00 A. M. The offering, as usual, on Thanksgiving Day will be for the Episcopal Hospital.

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The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
 Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
 Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
 third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
 Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
 Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
 Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
 Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
 P. M.
 Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
 Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
 Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
 Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
 iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
 P. M.
 Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
 4 P. M.
 Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
 Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
 Vestment Guild—First Friday.
 St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
 Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
 First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
 Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
 Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
 Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Christmas Peace



WHAT a wonderful Christmas this is to-day! Never since the angels sang, on that first Christmas morn, their hymns of peace and good will, has the message come amid more gladness and brought more hope and joy to the hearts of men, than on this Christmas Day.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among men, in whom He is well pleased!" The whole world joins today in this heavenly chorus.

The representatives of the great nations of the earth are assembled to bring about peace. Peace? What peace? Let us fervently pray that it may not be a peace of compact, of agreement or of compromise. If so, it will be only another "scrap of paper." Let us pray that men's hearts may be changed, may be "born again;" that the sin within, the sin of pride and jealousy, and selfishness and hate—may be wiped out; that "good will," that is *God's will*, may be men's will, everywhere; that the nations of the world may disarm and come together in trust and co-operation, not because it is economically and politically wise and expedient, but because the Spirit of Christ has been admitted to their counsels and has taken possession of the hearts of men, and they have been turned to God.

So shall there be peace on earth; the peace of which the angels sang, the peace of righteousness, of justice, of truth, of love, the peace of Christ, born in the hearts of men; the peace of the SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD; the peace of the eternal Prince of Peace; the peace of God!

The religious character of the Christmas Day should not be lost sight of, but should be strongly emphasized. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctly a *religious festival*. The Day should, therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless, as these may be, but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. Christmas should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christian joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families worshipping together in the House of God, "of sending portions to those for whom nothing is prepared;" of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of these. *The religious observance of the Day must come first and be paramount in importance*, or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger today that we, too, will deny Him room? Is there not danger that our hearts and minds and the hearts and minds of the children, will be crowded full of the world and there will be found no room for Christ? Let each one bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day, and come into God's House and bring gifts unto Him and worship Him, Emmanuel, God with us.



His coming on Christmas Day at the Altar. How are you going to keep Christmas? Is it to be simply a feast of Santa Claus, or is it to be to you the celebration of the

greatest event in the history of the world, the coming into the world of the Son of God, "the brightness of the Father's glory and the express image of His person; being of one substance with the Father by Whom all things were made."

How does a devoted and dutiful child observe his parents' birthday. By being, if possible, in their presence.

Our Lord is with us today. He did not leave us when He departed from this earth. He brought heaven down to us that He might be with us always and He calls from the altars of His Church to us to come and worship Him. Do not let the Christmas dinner be more important than the Christmas communion and Christmas worship. You can have your Christmas dinner in the afternoon just as well as at noon.

God demands of us personal devotion. Nothing can take the place of that.

If you keep Christmas as you should keep it, you will always have a happy, if not a merry, Christmas. You will not hate Christmas as those who keep it only for themselves often do. If the members of the home be scattered, or if the family ties be broken by death, at the Lord's table we may meet with "loved ones far away," and with our Lord, "with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, and in joy and felicity."

"Lord, where Thou art our holy Dead must be,
Unpierced, as yet, the Sacramental mist;
But we are nearest them and nearest Thee
At solemn Eucharist.

"O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee,

For those who made the earthly home so fair;
How little we may know, how little see,
Only—Thou art there.

"Dear hands unclasped from ours are clasping Thee;
Thou holdest us forever in Thy heart;
So close the One Communion—are we
In very truth apart?

"Lord, where Thou art our happy Dead must be;
And if with Thee, what, then, their boundless bliss!
Till Faith be right, and Hope reality,
Love's anchorage is this."

There will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion on Christmas Day, at 6.30, 7.30, 11.00 A. M.



Epiphany

Twelve days after Christmas occurs the Feast of the Epiphany; it is indeed an extension of the Christmas Season and continues up to Septuagesima Sunday. The festival of the Epiphany must be deemed of very high importance by the believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life,—the visit of the three wise men to worship "the new born King,"—it, also, asserts one of the fundamental and vital features of Christianity; the great distinction, in fact, between Christianity and Judaism. The Jewish religion was the religion of a race. Was the Son of God come to reveal the Father's love to and to save one set of people only, or was He come to manifest His love to and to save all people, everywhere? The teaching of this Epiphany season is sufficient answer to that question. The Church's mission is to *all* the world, to *every* people, of *every* clime. The Epiphany season is the great *missionary* season of the Church.

Every season, of course, should be a "missionary season" but at Epiphany *special* emphasis is laid on this teaching; indeed, that is what the word "Epiphany" means,—"manifestation," "shining out." The star shone out and led the Gentiles to the Child of Bethlehem and they "fell down and worshipped Him." And so we pray, in the collect for missions, "O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the whole earth and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that *all* men *everywhere* may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy Kingdom, through the same *Jesus Christ our Lord*. Amen."



Non-Church Going Habit

"It is all a habit!" We wonder how often one hears that expression as an excuse, or an explanation of the neglect of the Church services! This neglect is a habit, and a bad one. It grows into a systematic neglect of all that pertains to the outward expression of religious life, and its effect on the more personal, inner, life is not less sure. A certain moral complacency grows up that makes the real conscience in the matter hard to reach. Dr. Lyman Abbott, in an open letter to the *Outlook* deals with the habit—that of church-going. He says:

"I heard the other Sunday a very excellent sermon on the advantages of church-going, and asked the preacher of the sermon, for permission to give to others one paragraph in which the advantages of church-going were summed up. The paragraph was as follows:

"But I do not say without fear of successful contradiction, that the conscientious habit of going to Church always is one of the surest promoters of human happiness and courage. It broadens the mind, it cheers the soul. It lifts men's thoughts to the skies above them. It breaks the dull routine of work; it releases the captives of toil; it makes life interesting again; it awakens new powers of insight and sympathy. It changes the world's prose into poetry. For this is the conclusion of the matter: 'They kept the feast with gladness. For they all rejoiced so that there was great joy in Jerusalem.'"



Hope in America

America is the hope of the world in this crisis. The people of Europe look to her to exercise her leadership unselfishly. To the old nations a reduction in armament is a vital necessity. If the Conference on Disarmament will not give to the world what is expected by the nations, there will be a general burial of ideals, of constructive effort, and of confidence, and the peoples will sink back into deep hopelessness. The way will be prepared for the destructive forces of anarchy and Bolshevism. Still, hope prevails, and the people of Europe believe that the Conference will achieve definite results in reducing armaments in restoring international goodwill and faith."—*Pastor Adolph Keller*, secretary of the Swiss Federation of Churches.



Apropos of our prayers and intercessions for peace, the Rector quotes below an excerpt from Bishop Rhinelander's address, delivered on Armistice Day, as reported in the *Diocesan News*. It goes to the very heart of the whole matter and puts the question of

peace on the one and only strong and enduring foundation: "Peace," says the Bishop, "comes out of good will—that is, out of the wills really set on good.

"Good will alone and always can make peace. Therefore, there is in the world at any time, just as much peace, no more, no less, as there is good will in men and women. Those men assembling in Washington in conference on the Limitation of Armaments, have a much simpler and more serious thing to do than we may realize: not merely to discuss external ways and means, rules and regulations, for national security in spite of fewer battleships and smaller armies: but to report how much good will they left behind them in the nations which they represent: to estimate the amount of raw material available from which is to come the finished product, remembering that product is always limited by raw materials. And, in reality, it is not those men who compose the Conference which is assembling, but we, the rank and file of all the nations. Nor is it in Washington that we are in conference assembled, but in the Presence Chamber of the Prince of Peace, which also is His Judgment Hall.

"God alone, through His Son, our Lord, can make us to be peacemakers. For He only can make our wills good and keep them so. The path of peace is the old, well-marked and well-worn way (though trodden by the few, not by the many) which leads to God through penitence, confession, forgiveness, and renewal in the grace of Jesus Christ. The only effectual method of disarmament is, not the laying down of our arms, but the giving up of our sins. And as to prayer, these two minutes of silent intercession which in loyalty to our President and to our faith as Chris-

tians we are met to spend together here, may indeed be memorable for the world, but only as they are decisive for ourselves. Prayer is our strongest energy for good, but it is strong only if it is utterly sincere: if we pray as we are resolved to live: if we shall live as we have prayed.

"Let our prayers for the world's peace come out of hearts and minds and wills seeking the peace of God. They will be effective even to the tearing down of strongholds and the building up of His Kingdom just in proportion as we ourselves are set on good will and are prepared to do His will, which alone is our peace."



A Christmas Within the Reach of All

Written by a member of
Christ Church

A few days ago I heard a woman designate the coming season as "the Christmas nuisance," and my heart ached for her. I wondered whether she was a woman without sincere affection for her friends and relatives, or if she had been misled by the many erroneous ideas of Christmas now in existence. So many have an idea of one great rush, a drain upon the not too full pocket-book, an accumulation of useless ornaments, to be topped by a heavy dinner that overloads the digestion so that one is stupid and heavy for the whole day.

And I heard others speak of the Christmas sadness, and the vacant chair at the family reunion, and I wondered if they considered the true nature of Christmas joy.

Had there been no Christmas, had not the all-loving Father sent His only begotten Son into the world that the world through Him might be saved, and to give us the assurance of a greater and more blessed

reunion did we not know that instead of passing out into the unknown our loved ones at death simply passed up the stairway to a higher room—then, indeed, any anniversary would be a sad one, and the idea of celebration a ghastly farce.

But to those of us who realize the full meaning of Christ's birth, the sorrow we feel is a sweet one, and though we mourn our own loneliness, our darkness is pierced by a ray of glorious light.

But perhaps what tries us most at this time is the financial strain. We love to give to our friends and relatives, and we cannot do what we would. Many are the fathers and mothers at this time who cannot pass a toy store without an aching heart, because they cannot give more to their little ones.

The stores are tempting just now, and are unfortunately the ruin of many families. So many things are just a few cents more than we can afford that we get them regardless. It is not the diamonds, and silks, and pianos, and objects of luxury that ruin so many families. We consider these as beyond our reach and do not sigh for them, but it is the things just within our reach, or just above, that have caused more financial distress than any other factor at this time and which bring no pleasure nor profit, but plenty of unhappiness.

But there is one gift which is within the reach of every one of us—a gift that our friends and relatives would appreciate more than any other—and that is the gift of a better self. Some of the most generous people I have ever known make themselves such public and private nuisances that we would far rather never see one of their gifts than be obliged to have their friendship.

A few anecdotes will illustrate my meaning:

A woman while traveling in Italy with her husband was caught in a severe earthquake and escaped with difficulty.

When her friends condoled with her and asked her whether it was not a terrible experience, she replied:

"Terrible experience? No; I really rather enjoyed it, because it was the only thing that happened on our whole trip for which I was not to blame."

Now, if her husband had dropped his grouch on Christmas and had given her a husband who was not fault-finding, it would have been no strain upon his pocketbook and would have enabled her to enjoy other things beside earthquakes.

Another especially cantankerous old lady who was charming to outsiders and though generous to her own in a way, had a temper that made her a desperation to every one obliged to live with her, said one day to a long-suffering companion:

"You see, I love you so that I treat you like one of my family."

"Yes," replied her companion wearily, "and I think I bear it very well."

Another woman said to me once: "I never appreciated the saying, 'absence makes the heart grow fonder,' until I married my husband. Now I find that when he is away I can really feel fond of him."

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So I might go on citing examples without number. The scolding tongues, the impatient word, the selfish spirit, the lack of appreciation might all be put aside, and for them could be substituted the gentle rebuke (if necessary), patience with weakness in others, a kindly spirit toward others and the word

of deserved praise. This is a gift within the reach of all. It costs no money and brings in large returns.



To Critics of the Church

More than three-fourths of all the social workers in America at this moment are members of Christian Churches. The ethical societies, the atheistic Socialists, the lapsed Church members, are not one-fourth of the whole, by the latest statistical account. Take away the men and women whom the Church has set aflame with her ideals of brotherhood and sacrifice, and every charitable work in America would be crippled tomorrow. In any small town where Church affiliations are well known there may be a score of "undenominational" charitable boards but almost every member on each board is also a prominent church member. The van of the Church is pushing ahead eagerly toward industrial arbitration, municipal reform, temperance legislation, improved housing for the poor, the protection of women and children industrially, old age pensions and every other reform that modern America is considering. It is an undenominational van, shoulder to shoulder, representing no one church, appealing to no ecclesiastical authority. That is why its presence is taken for granted by the public and forgotten by the critic. But it spoils his argument the moment one comes to think about it.—*The Outlook*.



Questions

"Is it reverent to stand in the chancel waiting one's turn to approach the altar?" No, it is not reverent. If there is no room at the rail, either kneel down on the chancel floor, or retire to the front seats in the nave and kneel, awaiting your turn.

"Why does not our parish furnish more Prayer Books and Hymnals for the Congregation?" Because these Prayer Books and Hymnals at the doors of the Church are not intended to be used regularly by the members of the parish. They are intended particularly for strangers. Every member of the parish should own a Prayer Book and Hymnal and should bring them to Church and take them home every Sunday.

"Is it proper to leave the Church before the end of the Communion Service?" It is not proper, it is very improper, except in cases of necessity, which are rare.

"How should one receive the wafer at the Holy Communion?" In the palm of the hand, with the hands crossed. Never take the wafer in your fingers. Remove gloves from both hands before coming to the rail.

"How often should we come to the Holy Communion?" As often as we are able. Why? Because (1) It is an act of obedience to Christ's command. (2) It is a safeguard against sin and temptation. (3) It is a pledge of God's love and goodness toward us. In the Apostolic days the Christian probably came at least every Lord's Day. (See Acts XX:7.)



Music on Christmas Day

Processional—Christians, Awake! Salute the Happy Morn.

Venite—Smart.

Introit—Te Deum, Federlein.

Offertory Hymn—It Came upon the Midnight Clear.

Communion Service—Woodward in E Flat

Ascription—Monk.

Retrocessional—Hark! the Herald Angels Sing!

Service on Christmas Day

The Service on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion—6.30, 7.30. Shortened Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, 11.00 A. M.

Church School Christmas Carol Service—3.30 o'clock in the afternoon

No service on Sunday night, December 25th.

The Church School Christmas entertainment will be held on Holy Innocents Day, Wednesday, 28th, in the Parish House. The Primary School's entertainment will be in the afternoon at 3.30 o'clock; the Main School and Bible Classes in the evening, at 7.45.

Word has been received that Santa Claus will be present at both of these sessions.



On each of the Holy Days after Christmas, St. Stephen's Day, St. John, Evangelist, and Holy Innocents, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.



Church Calendars for 1922

A few Christ Church calendars for 1922 are left and may be had from the Verger. This calendar should be in every home in the parish.



No Midnight Service on New Year's Eve

New Year's Eve occurs this year on Saturday. It would be expecting too much of the choir to be present until after midnight on that day, and to be on duty at the usual Sunday morning services on the following day. The usual midnight service on New Year's Eve will, therefore, be omitted this year.

The Church will be open, however, all evening until after midnight for private prayers and devotions. Printed forms of prayers and intercessions will be found in the pews on that evening and persons who come to the Church are asked to include them with their private prayers. The Church bell will be tolled as usual at midnight and the chimes will be rung to welcome in the New Year.



Christmas Greens

Contributions are solicited from members of the congregation for the "Christmas Greens" in the Church. Contributions may be given or sent to Mr. Richard H. Morris, 6604 Wayne Avenue, Germantown.



Subscriptions for the Chimes

Contributions and subscriptions for the publication of the CHIMES have been received from the following persons: Mr. John Davidson, Mrs. H. R. Baremore, Mrs. Jane Graeff, Mrs. Baisbrown, Mrs. Benjamin Fisher, Mrs. Thomas Merwin, Mrs. Henrietta Straub, Mrs. L. H. Davis, Miss Greib, Miss Hearst, Mr. Charles C. Jones, Mr. Samuel Baxter, Mrs. A. T. Flower.

Where are the others? Please send contributions at once to Mr. Robert Carmint, 6373 Sherman Street, or to the Rector.



Confirmation Class Forming

The Rector will begin instructions on Confirmation the second week in January; the dates of the meetings will be announced later. Persons who contemplate being

Confirmed or who wish to talk to the Rector on the subject are requested to give their names to him at once. The Bishop of the Diocese will visit this parish on Maundy Thursday evening.



For the Unity of God's People

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Church School

Our Thanks-GIVING Party was a great success. Mr. Cotton had arranged a good program and the offering of cans and packages of foodstuffs was greater than last year. The counting of them has not been as yet completed.

The attendance at school has been very good all the fall. The following have been "Star Classes" more than once: Four times—Miss Cave's and Miss Johnson's. Three times—Mrs. Clifton's and Mr. Falkner's. Twice—Miss Gerhard's and Mr. Parker's. Eight other classes have been "Star" once. Some of us are kept away because of illness or absence from home, but we must all remember that it is not fair to our teacher and the rest of the class to be absent if it is possible for us to be present.



Remember Our Friends, The Advertisers

Our Christmas Carol Service will be in the Church at 3.30 Christmas afternoon and we want not only every scholar there but every parent as well. It will be a short service and over before dark. We hope to have our old friend the Rev. Mr. Ware give us a talk. There will be no session of the Sunday School Christmas morning.

The Primary Department's Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday afternoon, December 28th, at 3 o'clock, and every scholar should bring his or her mother.

The Main School's Party will be held Wednesday night, December 28th, at 7.45, and we want our parents with us, each one of them. A good program has been arranged by a committee with Mr. Cotton as chairman and I know it will be enjoyed by all.

R. H. M.



The Woman's Auxiliary

The next meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held at the Parish House, on Thursday, December 15th, beginning at 11 A. M. It is hoped that we shall have a large attendance for our quota of sewing has been doubled this year, so that it will be necessary for us to apply ourselves diligently and faithfully to our task, in order to accomplish it.

May I enumerate a few of the things the "Christ Church" Woman's Auxiliary has done this fall. We have contributed \$10.00 apiece to each of the five branches of the Missionary Society.

\$10.00 to St. Gabriel's Mission (on the Roosevelt Boulevard) have made a generous contribution towards the "Roofing Fund" for St. Barnabas Mission, besides other gifts to worthy objects, and, last but not least, we have given an "Under-

wood" typewriter to the Rev. Mr. W. H. Ramsaur, who is in charge of St. John's School for boys, at Cape Mount, Liberia. The following letter received some weeks ago, speaks for itself:

China Grove, North Carolina,
Nov. 11, 1921.

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

That little group with which I met that day in Christ Church Parish House was the finest I have seen since coming home, for according to their size they have done better than any others. Yes, the check for my expenses came quite promptly, and now comes your letter saying that you are ready to ship the typewriter. *How perfectly splendid!* And my wife begged me so hard that day not to go, for she thought I was not sufficiently recovered, but I am delighted to have had the pleasure of coming to know folks like the Christ Church Auxiliary.

Such a great help the typewriter will be! Please ship it to me at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City, care of Mr. W. R. Wilcox, and give my kindest regards to all those who helped to make this possible. Do not forget us in your private and corporate prayers.

Very sincerely,
WILLIAM HOPE RAMSAUR.

(Mr. Ramsaur is home on furlough, but expects to sail shortly for Liberia.)

Every woman in our parish is a member of the Woman's Auxiliary and we need the interest and support of each and every one of you in order to accomplish *greater things* for Christ and His Kingdom.

L. W. R.

The Bazaar

The Bazaar, which was held in the Parish House, during the afternoon and evening of November 17, 1921, has now passed from the prospective to the retrospective stage, and therefore any comment thereon should come from those who patronized it, rather than from the committee in charge.

The committee, however, desires to express its grateful appreciation and thanks to all those who contributed in any way, by service, by donations or by patronage, to making the Bazaar what it was.

The members of the parish will no doubt be interested to know that the financial results of the Bazaar to the present, are:

From the supper.....	\$116.00
Sale of groceries, etc.....	72.52
Fancy goods	101.65
Useful goods	54.97
Dolls and toys.....	53.13
Cakes	34.12
Candy	32.94
White elephant	26.20
Refreshment	11.95
Games	11.00
	\$514.48
Less general expenses.....	28.92
Net proceeds	\$485.56

The net returns will be turned over to the Accounting Warden, to be placed in the fund for the renovation of the parish property, and some part of such work will, we understand, be undertaken in the near future.

As the committee makes this closing report of the Bazaar, it wishes to say to all who helped:

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Rector,

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene St.

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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the usher. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

The Free Pew System in Christ Church and its Meaning

Most, if not all, of the readers of the CHIMES, thoroughly appreciate the recent action of the Vestry of Christ Church in declaring all pews in this Church free and unassigned. The advantages of a free pew Church are apparent to all. But it is necessary to say a word about the corresponding duties which these advantages entail. A duty, greater than ever, rests upon every man, woman and child to recognize his or her personal responsibility to share in the support of the work which this parish is called upon to do.

Indeed, this reliance upon the co-operation of all and upon the conscientious response of every member of the parish, this faith and belief that every one will conscientiously measure up to his or her personal responsibility, is one of the advantages of this free pew system. It is, to be sure, a venture. It is a venture of faith—faith in human nature—faith in the attendants and in every member of the parish. It may be that there will be some persons in whom this faith will be misplaced, but we do not believe that there will be many. For the few who may fail, let us not lose faith in the many. Most people are honest. The great majority may be trusted. If it were not for this faith in men, all business, all human endeavor would fail, for in the last analysis, all life is built upon faith. This is a principle upon which all Christian civilization is based.

As a matter of principle, we all acknowledge the duty of giving; of "not entering into the Courts of the Lord with empty hands;" of making and offering of our substance as a sign and token that we are desirous of making the still more important oblation of ourselves.

Everyone, also, admits the gen-

eral principles, which should govern all giving, that is acceptable to God. They are plainly set forth in His Holy Word. *First:* Giving must be *free*. "Freely have ye received, freely give." (St. Matt. 10: 8.) *Second:* It must be *proportionate*. "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which he hath given thee." (Deut. 16: 16.) *Third:* It must be *cheerful*. "Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9: 6-7.) *Fourth:* It must be *systematic* and *regular*, for so the apostle commanded his converts: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." (1 Cor. 16: 2.) *Fifth:* Our giving must not be for ourselves alone, for the needs of our own parish only. It must extend to the needs of the whole world. We must give to the missionary work at home and abroad. We must preach the Gospel everywhere. "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

We cannot all go as missionaries, but we all can and *must* "go," by giving of our means, with which God has blessed us; and by giving our money to enable others to go in our stead. Our giving, therefore, must be to extend this Kingdom of God throughout all the world. *Sixth:* It must be offered in hearty sympathy, charity and *love*. "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing." (1 Cor. 13: 3.)

It is clear that the *regular weekly offertory*, through the system called "The Envelope System," supplies the very best way in which we may carry out all these precepts of Christ and His Apostles. There is

no other method so comprehensive, there is no other method so fair, so regular, so unostentatious, so self adjusting. And it has the special advantage of being the method which the great Apostle recommended and prescribed. As your Rector, I urge the serious and conscientious consideration of this important matter upon every member of this parish. I am not at all concerned with the matter of *financial results*. We must leave results with God. I am, however, concerned, and deeply concerned, with Christian principles and duties. And, on the basis of Christian principle and duty, I urge that *every member of this Parish, every boy and girl, as well as every adult*, who has not, as yet, assumed his or her personal responsibility in this matter, will do so at once, so that the work that God has given us to do, may be generously supported, not by the few, but by the many, that all the members of Christ Church may be sharers together in the responsibilities and in the blessed privileges and joys of Christian service.



We Belong to a Church, Not a Parish

We are accustomed to hear the word "Church" applied to a local congregation. We use it loosely ourselves in the same way. But with us, speaking accurately, the Church is our entire communion. The local organization is simply a parish, an outpost, a garrison. A garrison in an outpost does not think of itself as the army. A ship is not the navy. A local postoffice is not the postoffice department. The Bishop is soon to visit this parish for the purpose of administering the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. This annual visit of the Bishop brings to our mind an out-

standing fact, which some of us are apt to forget. The visit of the Bishop reminds us that we belong to a Church, not to a parish; that we are part of an army, not simply a garrison; that we are enlisted in the navy, not in a ship. The Bishop is the outward and visible sign that we belong to a great, historic, age-long, world-wide institution, which has outposts everywhere, and that we have all its resources back of us and its power within us. Confirmation is not administered by the rector of the parish, who represents only the local congregation. It is administered by the Bishop, who represents the entire Church. We are admitted, therefore, into the communion not of the local congregation or parish. The Bishop's act accomplishes something far wider than that. We are taken into the communion and fellowship of the entire Church throughout the world, including every parish, mission, outpost or garrison under the Church's jurisdiction. That is why we are Churchmen, not Congregationalists. That is why it is that our imagination is stirred and our enthusiasm is kindled by the world-wide institution more than by the local organization. For while we are registered in and attached to a given parish, our citizenship is in the all-including Church.



The Rector Asks for Help

The Bishop of the Diocese has appointed Maundy Thursday evening—the evening before Good Friday—for Confirmation in this parish. I appeal to all members of Christ Church to co-operate with me in bringing this very important subject of Confirmation to the attention of the young people who have arrived at the age of discretion and to all adults, who have not been confirmed. A child in the most

impressionable and susceptible years of life ought to be brought under the spiritual influence of the Church and be confirmed.

Every adult who wants to make the most of life, in the truest and highest and best sense of that term, ought to be identified with the Christian Church, both for the help and strength he will receive, and for the good he can do to others.

There are some in our congregation whose life is one of practical religion and devoted churchmanship, with these two exceptions—they hold back from performing the duties of Confirmation and Holy Communion. My friends, by this neglect you *deprive* yourselves of the blessing attached to the performance of duty, of the grace conveyed through these particular channels.

It may be, too, your refusal causes others to stand aloof. Have you not a duty to perform, both to yourselves and to others?

Will not every one, who has not, as yet, been confirmed, seriously consider this very important subject at this time? Will not every member of Christ Church co-operate with the rector in bringing the duty and the privilege of confirmation to the attention of others?



What Does Confirmation Mean?

The Rector commends the following words of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, late Bishop of Mississippi, on the subject of Confirmation. They are strong words. God grant that they may touch the hearts and stir the wills of some who have been putting off, from year to year, their Christian duty of Confirmation.

"The great mass of people in Christian lands are baptized in infancy. It has been the purpose of the Christian Church, from the

first, to take into her arms the children, following herein the Master's example. She learned her lesson at His blessed feet, and forbids them not, because she accepts His words, that "of such is the kingdom of Heaven." She is a training school to teach His love and faith, to watch over and educate and train, by precept upon precept, the children whom He has committed to her charge.

Therefore, she makes them Christians to begin with. All Christian duties, all Christian obligations are upon them by election, because by God's good pleasure and the sovereign council of His own will, they have been born into a Christian land, and so elected for Christian duty and a Christian life.

These baptized children are members of Christ's Church, in the full, unlimited meaning of the term. They are the Church's most sacred charge. Above all, she is bound to guard and watch for them, as the State guards, sacredly, the rights of its children, as it recognizes their full citizenship, and protects them most zealously by courts and judges. Just because they are helpless, although it does not demand all a citizen's duties, nor admit them to exercise all a citizen's privileges; so the Church guards the rights of her minor members, and brings them to full growth in the Christian life, guards them the more sacredly because they are so helpless.

Her plan is, when they have come to the years of discretion, when they know good and evil, when they have learned where they stand, and what is the issue of their choice, to gather them about her, with the dew of youth and hope yet fresh upon them, with the world on which they soon must enter lying yet untried before them; to gather

them about her and ask them now once more, as once the act was done in love and faith by others for them, to renew it for themselves: to conform is grace and goodness here, at the dawning, before the toiling and the fighting begin.

It is thus that Confirmation—or the laying on of hands—becomes the central fact in his Christian history.



Kalendar for February

February 2nd—The Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

February 5th — Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.

February 12th — Septuagesima Sunday.

February 19th—Sexagesima Sunday.

February 24th—St. Matthias.

February 26th — Quinquagesima Sunday.



PARISH REGISTER

Deaths

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

December 2, 1921 — Mortimer Park Crane.

December 27, 1921—Benjamin F. Allen.

January 7, 1922—Jane Ingram Davidson.

January 7, 1922—Mary Hearst.



Confirmation Class for Adults will hold its first meeting in the Parish House, on Wednesday evening, February 15th, and will continue its meetings every Wednesday evening, until the Bishop's visitation.

The Class for Minors will meet on Sunday afternoons, at four o'clock, beginning Sunday, February 19th. Persons who are not able to attend the instructions on the above days may receive literature from the Rector on the subject of Confirmation and the teachings of the Church, and may be prepared at home. Persons who are contemplating Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector as soon as possible.



A Note from the Accounting-Warden

It is with much gratification that the Accounting Warden can report the last payment will be made on account of the mortgage on the Parish House early in February. The Church Property will then be free from all indebtedness. This has been accomplished by the systematic use by the envelope contributors of the blue envelopes, thereby making a monthly offering to this end.

Now that the final payment of the mortgage is accomplished, we should endeavor to make several most necessary improvements to the Church Property to bring it up to a thoroughly modern standard. The most imperative need is for a modern heating plant. In extreme weather it is impossible to heat the church to the temperature it should be for the comfort and welfare of the worshippers. The present system is also most extravagant in the use of fuel, which is a large item in our running expenses of to-day.

It has been suggested by members of the congregation that the blue envelope be retained and the income from that source be used to create a fund to be used for such extraordinary repairs and improvements to the Church Property.

It is therefore hoped that the members of the congregation will continue to give liberally towards this fund, as heretofore, through the blue envelopes, although the original purpose for which the envelopes were introduced has been accomplished.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.



Altar Guild

The Altar Guild has been busy during the past month. We spent the morning of December 24th at Church decorating the altar and arranging for Christmas.

At our regular monthly business meeting, held January 9th, it was decided to have the annual Guild supper some time early in February.

The serving committees for the coming month are as follows:

Jan. 25 to 27—Misses Dean, Crowder.

Jan 27 to Feb. 3—Misses Manser, M. Thompson, E. Thompson.

Feb. 3 to 10—Misses Chase, Strien, Parker.

Feb. 10 to 17—Misses Mogridge, Cooley, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

G. F. DEAN.



Thanks to the Woman's Auxiliary

Germantown, Philadelphia,
January 6, 1922.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

Will you please express to the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church the grateful and hearty thanks of the people, and especially the children, of St. Ambrose's Mission, for the Christmas stockings so kindly sent them?

I know that if your people could have been present at our Christmas

festival, to see for themselves, the happiness and joy which those gifts brought, they would have felt amply repaid.

Adding my own hearty thanks, I am.

Very sincerely yours,
FREDERICK B. HALSEY.



"When we ask you to be a Christian, we do not ask you chiefly to give up something, or believe something, or profess something, but the great demand is that you shall be something, and do something, to show what you are and make yourself be it more completely."



An Appeal to Women

The Woman's Auxiliary sends out an urgent plea for help in the sewing department. The Diocesan Supply Bureau has sent us our allotment of garments to be made for missionary purposes, but unless we have more helpers we cannot possibly finish them.

The meetings are held in the Parish House on the third Thursday of the month. The missionary meeting is held in the morning at 11 o'clock. At 12 30 a luncheon is served, for which everyone is taxed twenty-five cents. The sewing session starts at 1.30. Those who cannot come to morning meeting are earnestly urged to come in the afternoon and help with the sewing. We must do our share in the Diocesan work, but we need *more help*.

Our appeal for financial aid met with such great success that we feel sure this appeal will not go unheeded.

Women who for any reason cannot attend the meetings in the Parish House and are willing to help in the sewing at their homes are

asked to offer their services by writing to the Secretary, Mrs. Frank Wells, 244 West Hottter street. Telephone Germantown 1884 J.

A. F. W.



Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly have been working so hard ever since we started this fall that we have hardly had time to breathe. We started by working for the bazaar, which was a great success, and then Christmas came and we worked for Christmas dinners for the poor and the collecting of toys for poor families. We also filled twelve stockings for the children of the Philadelphia Hospital. And now our plans are somewhat unsettled. Our main idea is to raise some money to meet our pledges. We are talking about plays and players and other nice things, so be prepared to come around to Christ Church Parish House and spend an enjoyable evening very soon. We will let you know the date. More girls in the Parish are invited to join us in the G. F. S. We meet every Tuesday evening.

G. M. G.



The Church School

Christmas this year falling on Sunday made the attendance at our carol service smaller than usual, but those who were present enjoyed a bright, hearty service, with a good talk from Rev. Mr. Hogue.

Our entertainments were well attended, about 60 primary scholars, with many mothers in the afternoon, and at night the Main School and their friends filled the room. The play and dance by some of the younger scholars was fine, and our thanks are given to Miss Gill and Miss Cave, who arranged it. Through the kindness of Mr. Lennig, we had a moving

picture. Santa Claus made a hit and for the first time brought presents for the officers and teachers. Mr. Cotton, as usual, arranged the program.

Before looking forward, let us look back a little and see what we have done the past year, especially in "GIVING".

Lenten mite boxes for missions	\$253.74
Offering (first Sunday in month), missions.....	165.62
Offering through envelopes), missions.....	576.38
Children's Country Week.	21.00
College settlement work..	17.02
Church Farm School.....	25.67
For painting Parish House	161.96

Total\$1,221.39

In addition to the above the Men's and Women's Bible Classes report having given the past year for Parish and missionary purposes.... 276.20

In 1920 our total giving was 981.52

In 1919 our total giving was 738.82

We have 30 officers and teachers and 205 scholars or a total of 235 in the Main and Primary Schools; Women's Bible Class, 19; Men's Bible Class, 65, making a grand total of 319. During 1922 we want to go forward in numbers, quality of teaching, giving, work along various lines and in all things a Church School is intended to do. This will only be possible if officers, teachers, scholars and parents will all help.

R. H. M.



Order of St. Christopher

The Christmas decorations in the Church were put up by the Order of St. Christopher on the evenings of December 19th and 20th.

On the 19th Mr. Morris and his son, Mr. Henry Morris, assisted in the work, and on the 20th Mr. Lennig supervised the work. Mr. P. F. Bolay, the Verger, helped the members both evenings and was of the greatest assistance.

The members who came out and did their part were Norton Johnson, Robert Arndt, Richard Fielding, Richard Hogue, Karl Mosteller, Guy Wells, Frank Wells, Geo. Bland, Richard Sutcliffe.

From various comments passed on Christmas Day, the work seems to have been done satisfactorily.

On Tuesday evening, the 20th, after all the work had been completed, the members were given refreshments and entertainment by Dr. and Mrs. Arndt at the Rectory.

The Crucifers for February are: Mornings, Richard W. Hogue; evenings, Robert D. Arndt.

R. G. S.



Men's Bible Class

At the annual meeting of the Men's Bible Class, held December 15th, 1921, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year: President, James Carmint, Jr.; vice-president, Samuel Baxter; secretary, Robert W. Carmint; treasurer, Clarence Courtney, Jr. Chairmen of Committees: Music, Frank Mauser; Entertainment, Charles Cotton; Attendance, Edmund Tyler; Sick, Charles Jackson, Athletic, Louis Whitby. All men of the parish are cordially invited to attend the class Sunday mornings at 9.45. Mr. Robert P. Shick, teacher.

ROBERT W. CARMINT,
Secretary.



Our Boy Scout Troop

"Everlastingly sticking at it brings success." Well, that's why

you are hearing again from Troop 153, Boy Scouts of America—our Troop in our Church. A little girl was asked for a definition of "home." "Home is where the work's done." That's why Christ Church seems so much like home to our Troop. It is where we work.

And if we say it often enough the boys of our Church will all be around to work with us.

We want more Christ Church boys.

We want more Christ Church boys.

Once again:

We want more Christ Church boys.

We meet in the Parish House Monday nights. Sure, you're welcome. You don't have to do anything or know anything except the English language, and if you don't know that or you can't do anything, we'll teach you.

Do you like first aid? We've got it.

Can you swim? We'll teach you how.

Wireless? We are equipped.

Astronomy? We eat that stuff, etc., etc., etc.

If you don't believe that we are awake, ask Dr. Arndt. He knows. He is on our Troop Committee. Better still, come round next Monday night and see for yourself.

G. I. B.



Please Pay Up

Contributions to THE CHIMES are slow coming in. Start the New Year right and send your money to Robert Carmint (or the Rector), 6373 Sherman street. The following members of the Church are on the honor roll for 1922, other than those who were listed in the last issue of THE CHIMES:

Miss Caroline Parker, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. Baxter, Mr. Bains, Mr.

Lennig, Mrs. Gerhard, Miss Nixon, Mrs. Charles Wismer, Miss Lapp, Mrs. T. P. Robinson, Mrs. Sickel, Mr. R. H. Morris.

I am hoping to see more subscriptions coming soon.

ROBERT CARMINT,
Financial Editor.



The Mothers' Meeting

On Tuesday, January 10, the Mother's Meeting were given their annual dinner. It was a beautiful day, and most of the members were able to be present. We gathered, as usual, in our regular meeting room and a short service was held, after which a Christmas story was read. Then two by two we marched into the gymnasium to the tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

Thirty-one people sat down to two tables prettily decorated with Christmas trimmings. After a delicious dinner, different members of the meeting entertained us with humorous readings and stories. Miss Margaret Bickley gave us two remarkably well-rendered selections in negro dialect, and Miss Margaret Robinson entertained us with her graceful dancing.

The members of the meeting presented the Directresses, Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Arndt, with two beautiful cut-glass dishes, which were received with the greatest appreciation.

Much to our regret, Mrs. Pinkerton, who has been so faithful in assisting at the meetings, was unable to be with us during the afternoon, and was very much missed. The ladies who assisted in arranging and serving the dinner were Mrs. Rowley, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Brush, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Mrs. Lennig, Mrs. Falkner and Mrs.

Arndt. We are greatly indebted to these ladies for their kind assistance. The meeting was closed with the Doxology and prayer by the Rector.



A Nickel for the Lord

Yesterday he wore a rose in the lapel of his coat, but when the plate was passed today he gave a nickel to the Lord. He had several bills in his pocket, and sundry change, perhaps a dollar's worth; but he hunted about and, finding this poor little nickel, he laid it on the plate to aid in the fight against the world, the flesh and the devil. His hat was beneath the seat, and his gloves and his cane were beside it, and the nickel was on the plate—a whole nickel.

On Saturday afternoon he met a friend, and together they had some refreshments. The cash register stamped two dollars and sixty cents on the slip the boy presented to him. Peeling off a bill he handed it to the lad, and gave him twenty-five cents when he brought back the change. Twenty-five cents for the waiter and a nickel for the Lord!

And the man had his shoes polished on Saturday afternoon and handed out a dime without a murmur. He had a shave, and paid fifteen cents with equal alacrity. He took a box of candy home to his girl, for which he paid two dollars, and the box was tied with a dainty bit of ribbon. Yes, and he also gave a nickel to the Lord!

Who is this Lord?

Who is He? Why, the man worships Him as Creator of the Universe, the One who puts the stars in order, and by whose immutable decree the heavens stand. From Him the man has received ten thou-

sand blessings! And he gives a nickel to the Lord! And this man knew that "God so loved the world that *He gave His only Begotten Son.*" And he knew, too, that Jesus Christ suffered and laid down His life for him, that he might know the Truth and might, through Him, have life everlasting. And knowing this, he put his hand in his pocket and picked out the smallest coin, and he gave a nickel to the Lord!

And the Lord, being gracious and slow to anger, and knowing his selfishness, did not slay the man for the meanness of his offering, but gives him this day his daily bread.

The nickel was ashamed of itself and hid beneath a quarter that was given by a poor woman who takes in washing for a living.—*Selected*



Lectures on the Bible

Philadelphia, Pa.,

December 31, 1921.

To the Rectors in our Diocese:

The undersigned, a Committee especially appointed for the purpose by the Diocesan Department of Religious Education, announce on behalf of the Department a new undertaking.

There are, it is believed, not a few people who would welcome an opportunity to study the facts and truths of Christianity in the light of present-day scholarship, under competent guidance. With the view of meeting this need, the Department has undertaken to establish study classes. The classes will be held at the Church House, 202 South 19th street, on Thursday evenings, at 8 30, beginning February 2, 1922. The subject will be "How We Got Our Bible." Professor Yerkes, of the Divinity School, will conduct the class. There will be no fee or charge, and

all who may care to attend will be welcome. But as the seating capacity is limited, admission will be by ticket only; the tickets to be distributed in order, as applications are received.

It is our hope that this course may be the first of many, and that in due order the subjects dealt with may be not only Biblical, but may also include the Prayer Book, Church History, Christian Doctrine, etc.; in each case the instructor will be a recognized expert in his field, who will deal with his subject constructively in the light of modern scholarship and with a view to present needs and perplexities.

REYNOLDS D. BROWN,

GEORGE G. BARTLETT,

Committee.

P. S.—Dr. Yerkes' lectures will be fully illustrated.

Applications for tickets should be addressed to R. D. Brown, Church House, 202 S 19th street, Philadelphia.



When the blacksmith shapes a horseshoe, he does it while it is hot, for every moment's delay makes the iron less malleable. The sculptor moulding a beautiful figure in wax or clay works while the material is plastic, for it will shortly harden. And if we are to stamp the image of Christ upon a child's soul it must be done in the early, plastic and susceptible years that it may grow in wisdom and knowledge and in favor with God and man.

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THE RECTOR

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Rector,

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

Vestry

James M. Woodroffe (1901), Rector's Warden.
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William R. Pugh (1889)
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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene St.
Chimemaster, Robert N. D. Arndt.

Verger, Philip F. Bolay, 6355 Jefferson Street.

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

.....
dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

The Lenten Services

The schedule of special Lenten Services will be found on another page of this issue of the CHIMES. The hours of the services have been arranged to meet, as far as possible, the convenience of every class of people within the Parish. The early Celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday has been appointed at half past seven o'clock, that business people and others may attend before going to their daily duties, and thus avail themselves of a proper beginning of this Holy Season. The afternoon services are put at an hour when people, who remain in Germantown during the day, may conveniently attend.

It will be noticed from the schedule, that evening prayer will not be held every afternoon, as in previous years. Evening prayer will be said on *three afternoons*, each week. This change is made with the hope that the fewer afternoon services will be more largely attended.

The mid-week service, usually held on Wednesday evenings, has been changed this year to *Friday evenings*, on which evenings a most interesting and instructive course of illustrative lectures on the "*Earthly Life of Jesus Christ*" will be given in the Parish House by the Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, D.D.

On Wednesday evening during Lent, the Rector will hold "Instructions on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church." These instructions will be in the Church and are primarily intended for adults who are contemplating confirmation.



An Appeal from the Rector

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. I am sure that the people of Christ Church want to make this Lent a very serious, a

very helpful season. It is full of opportunity, it is full of precious privileges to those who will use it aright. It is an opportunity for every serious-minded person to withdraw, for a time, from the lighter, the less serious things in life and to devote himself exclusively to the things that are the most worth while, to the serious, the real, the eternal principles of life. "Forty days with the Master!" What a blessed privilege comes to us in Lent to get a right perspective of living; to gain a wider, a higher vision of life, to come into closer communion with God.

That this Lent may mean all that it should mean, may I not ask you, my dear friends, to be very earnest, very serious, very faithful in the observance? Let me tell you how.

1. By abstaining from all wordly amusements and entertainments, that your thoughts may be given to the more serious and solemn lessons of life.

2. By reading, at the beginning and at the end of each day, some portion of God's Word. Read, during Lent, the shorter Epistles of St. Paul. I have had placed in the vestibules of our Church a pamphlet entitled, "Bible Readings and Prayers." These are for gratuitous distribution among our people. Take a copy home with you.

3. By spending a few moments, each morning and evening, alone with God, in meditation and prayer. Do this in your home. Come also to the Church for a quiet hour of meditation and prayer. The Church is open all day.

4. By regular attendance at the week day Lenten Services in the Church. Consult the Lenten list and *resolve* to attend certain services, *regularly* and *faithfully*.

5. By careful and conscientious preparation for the Holy Communion, and by frequent attendance at the sacrament of the altar, where we are bound together in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ and with all the loved ones, here and absent.

6. By being more considerate, more patient, more forgiving, more loving to others; and by doing acts of kindness to every one you can.

I am sure that if you are faithful in these things during this Lent, a wonderful blessing will come into your life, a blessing of strength and peace and joy—such as the world cannot give.

May I not look for you at the week-day services and, at least, one service every Sunday during this Lent? I shall prayerfully hope that this earnest appeal will not fall on cold and hardened hearts.

May God bless each one of you, my dear friends, and may He send His Holy Spirit into our hearts and arouse us all, Rector and people alike, to a greater zeal, a truer devotion, a deeper consecration to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,

Charles Henry Arndt



Two Rare Opportunities for Christ Church People

Two unusual and rare opportunities are in store for the people of Christ Church during this coming Lent. Not only members of the Parish, but all within vicinity are invited to share in these opportunities. Everybody should take advantage of both of them. The first is:

The Course of Illustrated Lectures on "the Earthly Life of Jesus Christ," to be given by the Rev. Llewellyn Caley, D.D., on Friday evenings during Lent at eight

o'clock. Rev. Dr. Caley needs no introduction to the Church people of this Parish and of this Diocese. He is well known as one of the Editors of *The American Church Sunday School Magazine* and one of the foremost religious educators of the country. He is also known, far and wide, as a lecturer on religious and church subjects, without a superior and with few equals. His set of lantern slides which will be shown in these lectures, illustrating the life of our Lord, is undoubtedly the finest in America. This interesting course will consist of the following lectures:

Friday March 3rd—"The Incarnation of Jesus Christ."

Friday, March 10th—"The Private Life of Jesus Christ."

Friday, March 17th—"The Public Ministry of Jesus Christ." (Periods 1 and 2.)

Friday, March 24th—"The Public Ministry of Jesus Christ." (Period 3.)

Friday, March 31st—"The Farewell Discourse and Trial of Jesus Christ."

Friday, April 7th—"The Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ."

As the subjects of these lectures are in historical sequence, every one should endeavor to attend them all.

The lectures will be given in the Parish House. There will be no charge of admission. The lectures will be free; but persons who desire to do so may give a silver offering; it is to help cover the expense of the lectures. A cordial invitation is extended to every one in this community to attend these lectures.



The second rare opportunity which is afforded to the people of Christ Church will be: *A Course of Addresses on the "Relation of Judaism to Christianity,"* given by a Jewish Convert.

These addresses will be given in Christ Church, on Sunday evenings during Lent, by the distinguished scholar and lecturer, Mr. Mark John Levy. Mr. Levy, while not a clergyman of the Church, is specially licensed by the Bishop to speak in our Churches. He is a native of London, England, a son of the priestly tribe of Israel, and was baptized in Philadelphia, 1887, and confirmed the same year by the late Bishop Whipple, at St. Mark's Minneapolis. Under the Rt. Rev. William Andrew Leonard and the late Dr. Flemming James, Mr. Levy took a course in theology at Bexley Hall, Gambier, 1888-89, and since then has devoted his time to lecturing and itinerant missionary work among Jews and Gentiles in the United States, Great Britain and Canada. He was instrumental in securing the adoption of an important resolution on Jewish national and social freedom in the Gospel, by the General Convention, and was a member of the General Convention Committee on Jewish Work. He was chosen a delegate to the American Jewish Congress and the Paris Peace Conference by the Hebrew Christian Alliance of America, the Society he now represents and "is a recognized scholar, lecturer, writer and poet." States a correspondent, in a letter to the Rector: "Mr. Levy's knowledge of Jewish history and sacramental custom should make the series of addresses, which he is to give to your Church, deeply interesting to Christians of every name and give additional light on the prophetic side of truth."

This interesting and illuminating course of addresses will include the following subjects:

Sunday, March 5th—"Why I accepted Jesus Christ as Israel's true Messiah."

Sunday, March 12th—"The Immemorial Blood Covenant."

Sunday, March 19th—"Christ, the Coming King of Glory."

Sunday, March 26th—"Israel and the Nations at Armageddon."

Sunday, April 2nd—"Palm Sunday in Ancient Jewish History."

Sunday, April 9th—"The Easter Season and the Jewish Passover."

All Seats in Christ Church are free and unassigned at every service. Everybody is welcome.



Confirmation Instruction

Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church are being delivered in the Church every Wednesday evening at eight o'clock for adults and every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors in the Parish House.

All persons, confirmed and not confirmed, are cordially invited to these Instructions.

The Rector will be pleased to meet after any service or by special appointment any one who wishes to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation. He requests that all who are contemplating Confirmation should give their names to him at once.



Kalendar for Lent

March 1st—Ash Wednesday.

March 5th—First Sunday in Lent.

March 12th—Second Sunday in Lent.

March 19th—Third Sunday in Lent.

March 25th—Annunciation B. V. M.

March 26th—Fourth Sunday in Lent.

April 2nd—Fifth Sunday in Lent.

April 9th—Sixth Sunday in Lent.

April 13th—Maundy Thursday.

April 14th—Good Friday.

April 16th—Easter.



Services in Lent

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Penitential office, Address, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Prayer, Address, 8.00 P. M.

Week Days

Tuesdays—Evening Prayer, Special address to young people, 4.45 P. M.

Wednesdays—Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Short Service, with Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church, 8.00 P. M.

Thursdays—Evening Prayer, short address, 4.45 P. M.

Fridays—Litany, 9.30 A. M.

Short Service, with illustrated lectures on "The Earthly Life of Jesus Christ," (Parish House), 8 P. M. (See page 2)

Saturdays—Evening Prayer, (with special Intercessions), 4.45 P. M.

Note—Persons who wish special prayers or intercession for those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity, or who wish counsel and advice on any spiritual subject may consult with the rector, who will be in the Church after three o'clock, Saturday afternoons.

Subjects for intercessions:

Saturday, March 4—"For the Church's Missions."

Saturday, March 11—"For the Church in Religious Education."

Saturday, March 18—"For the Church in Local Service."

Saturday, March 25—"For Church Unity."

Saturday, April 1—"For the Church and the World Peace."

Saturday, April 8—"For the Church's Members, on Earth and in Paradise."

Sundays

Holy Communion, every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Sermon (Holy Communion, First Sunday), 11.00 A. M.

Evening Prayer, "The Relation of Judaism to Christianity," by Mark John Levy, A Jewish Convert, 7.45 P. M. (See page 3)

Instruction on Confirmation, (In the Parish House), 4.00 P. M.

Young People's Half Hour Service of Song, (In the Parish House), 7.00-7.30 P. M.



Some Suggestions for Lent

Begin Lent aright! On Ash Wednesday there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Before going to your duties of the day—your business, your school, your household duties—"come apart for a while with God;" begin this Lenten season aright by dedication of yourself, your soul and body, to God and by receiving the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ! Begin aright!



Attendants at the Lenten Services are requested to sit forward in the Church. This will add to the heartiness of the singing and interest in the service.



Persons who are willing to assist in the singing at the Lenten services are requested to give their names to the Rector. There are a number of persons in the Parish who might render this much as their Lenten offering. The Rector will gladly welcome them and will appreciate their services.



Why not make it a Lenten object to bring at least one child to Holy Baptism or some "backslider" back again to his church duties and privi-

leges, or to lead some hesitating friend to Christ and to Confirmation?

Make some specific, definite object your duty during this Lent. Let it not be a "negative Lent," but a *positive* Lent; something definitely undertaken and done; something unselfish, something constructive to the bringing in of the Kingdom of God and His Christ!

Some people are habitually late to church service. The habit should be overcome. To enter the service late is disconcerting to others and seriously interrupts the service. It is a form of selfishness, on the part of those who practice it. One should be in Church long before the service begins, to prepare one's mind and spirit to receive the precious things that there are given. No one who rushes to Church or comes in late can be so prepared.

The Prayer Book is given by the Church to be *used by the worshippers*. It should be opened and the eyes of each worshipper should be riveted upon it. During the singing of the canticles, instead of looking about the congregation or at the choir, follow the words in your Prayer Book. However familiar you may be with the service, follow with your book before you, every sentence, every collect, Gospel, Epistle, as the minister reads it. It is called the "Book of Common Prayer," and so it is intended to be—*common* between minister and people; every service in it to be entered into by minister and people together; and this purpose cannot be carried out if the people do not follow the minister as he reads the service.

Keep your Prayer Book *open* and your eyes on the service as it is read by the minister!

And this leads to the further suggestion that every one should own and carry with him his own Prayer Book and Hymnal.

Mrs. Anita L. Eyster, of St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia, has been asked by the Vestry of Christ Church to assist the Rector as Parish Visitor and to take charge of the Secretarial work of the Parish. Mrs. Eyster has accepted the position until spring. She is at present revising the Parish list of members with a view of making a complete and correct Parish Register. It is highly desirable that all new comers in the Parish should get their letters of transfers from their former Rectors so that their names may be properly recorded in the new Register of Christ Church.

The following persons have been transferred to the Rector of this Parish during the past three months:

(Mrs.) Nellie N. Goddard from the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wilimington, Delaware; Frank Henry Golding from St. Paul's Church, Canton, Ohio; (Mrs.) Anna Dell Golding from St. Paul's Church, Canton, Ohio; Charles Paget Golding from St. Paul's Church, Canton, Ohio; (Mrs.) Elizabeth Breeding from St. David's, Manayunk, Philadelphia; Dorothy Winpenny Breeding from St. David's, Manayunk, Philadelphia; Jennie G. Winpenny Breeding from St. David's, Manayunk, Philadelphia; Dorothy Collyer Krewson from St. Peter's Church, Weldon, Pa.; Gertrude A. Lovejoy from Grace Church, Mt. Airy; Gertrude L. Moffett from the House of Prayer, Branchtown, Phila.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any)

of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

Be Confirmed

The Bishop will visit this Parish (D.V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, April 13th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector affectionately urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to him at once. He will be happy to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, come to him and tell him your troubles. He will help you.

The Prayer Book, in the Communion Office, so states it: "If any of you cannot quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of his conscience and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness."

The Rector is most anxious to help any one who may be in doubt or trouble and will gladly do all within his power for any one who comes to him.

A Word to Parents

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given by the Rector in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with the children to these Instructions.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you:

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

Are you doing your duty?

The Reason for Confirmation

Confirmation follows Baptism when a person reaches the age of discretion. The laying on of hands of the Apostles (Acts VIII, XIX, and Heb. VI), has ever been continued by the Church as: 1st, The renewal of the baptismal pledge; 2nd, Open confession of Christ; 3rd, The ordinary door to the Holy Communion; 4th, The gift of the Holy Ghost for the final perseverance. It is a rite practiced from the time of the Apostles and endorsed by the Fathers of the Church.

A. D. 180. Tertullian—"After Baptism, then the Imposition of Hands."

A. D. 250. Cyprian—"They who believed in Samaria were baptized—hands were laid on them—which is still the custom among us."

A. D. 420. St. Jerome—"This is the custom of the Church—the Bishops Laying Hands upon them for the Invocation of the Holy Spirit."

A. D. 494. The prayer in our Confirmation Service dates from

this period. From this time on to the present there cannot be any doubt concerning Confirmation or *The Laying on of Hands* by the Bishop being a ceremony of the Church.

Can we safely omit that which from the first has been insisted upon?

Methodist Testimony—"I was determined not to be without it, and, therefore, went and received Confirmation—even since I became a Methodist Preacher."—Dr. Adam Clarke.

Baptist Testimony—"We believe that Laying on of Hands with Prayer upon Baptized believers as such is an ordinance of Christ, and ought to be substituted unto by all such persons to partake of the Lord's Supper."

Baptist Association, September 25th, 1742.

Congregational Testimony—"The confession of the name of Christ is, after all, very lame, till the discipline which Christ ordained be restored, and the Rite of Confirmation be recovered to its full use and solemnity."

Dr. Coleman, Boston.

Presbyterian Testimony—"The Rite of Confirmation, thus administered to Baptized children, when arrived at competent years—shows clearly that the Primitive Church, in her purest days, exercised the authority of a mother over her Baptized children."

Committee of General Assembly.

"This custom is frequently mentioned by the ancient writers. Such imposition I highly approve. I wish it were now restored to its primitive use unconnected by superstition."

John Calvin.

PARISH REGISTER

Marriages

"In the name of the Father and of Son and of the Holy Ghost." Amen
"Those whom God hath joined together, let no an put asunder."

January 28 — William Henry Clausen, Jr. and Margaret Morris.

February 15—Edward Snelling Odgers and Clarice Forrest Moyer.

Burials

Deaths

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

January 21 — Louise Beale Culver.

January 25—Merrill B. Winpenny
February 9—William G. Glassey.

From the Accounting Warden

Everyone connected with Christ Church should contribute regularly through the envelope system. Only by each one pledging for a regular amount to be paid weekly can the Vestry be able to intelligently plan the work of the Parish, knowing that the amount necessary will be in hand when needed. Only about one half of our members are such regular contributors. Will not those who have not pledged themselves in this matter obtain pledge cards from the Rector or Accounting Warden that the work of the Parish may be properly supported by each and every member? It should be a matter of personal pride with each member of the Parish to feel that he or she was contributing to the support of a work of such inestimable value not only to our congregation, but to the Diocese and to the world wide mission which our Church has taken upon herself and for the support of which she can

only look to the members of the Church as a whole.

E. Bains, Accounting Warden



The Woman's Auxiliary

During Lent we shall meet in the Parish House to sew every Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. It is most earnestly requested that as many of the women of our Parish as possible set apart these Thursday afternoons in Lent to sew for Missions. We have a large amount of sewing that must be done and without the co-operation and help of many women in our Parish we will fail in our endeavor. Will some of you who read this notice, not come to our assistance for it is as much your work as it is that of the "faithful few"?

L. W. R.



A Lenten Mission Study for Girls and Boys

All girls in the Parish between the ages of nine and fifteen are invited to attend the Mission Study Classes held Tuesday afternoons during Lent at 4 o'clock in the Parish House, starting Tuesday, March seventh.

The course this year will be "Tales of the Great South Seas" and the leader will be Miss Edith Johnson. Come on, girls and boys, and let's all help make these classes a success!



Some Suggestions for Lent

Be present as far as possible at every service of the Church. The benefit will be to others as well as to yourself.

Make your Communion more frequently and with a more definite purpose and preparation.

Read the Scriptures regularly and meditate upon what you read.

Too many treat the Bible as a book of the past.

Pray until prayer becomes a habit, turning to God at all times as naturally as the flower turns to the sun.

Keep a strict watch over the door of your lips this Lent. If you cannot speak well of others, say nothing.

Deny yourself every luxury and add the cost of it to your Easter offering. The cost of self-denial should be *given*, not saved.

Refrain from entertainments and places of public amusement. "Love dissipated upon many objects concentrates itself upon none."

Let self-examination be a daily duty. It is not a question of where you stand, but *whither* you are moving.

Be regular in your attendance to whatever guild or society you belong. *Nominal* membership counts for nothing save a discouragement to others and a discredit to yourself.

Make your *Lent positive*, not merely negative. Undertake some practical work for good, and carry it through.



Parish House Interior Repainted

The interior walls and woodwork of the Parish House are being repainted from the proceeds of the Bazaar given last fall. It is expected that the work will be finished before Lent begins. The color of the walls is buff and the woodwork is all in dark oak. The Church School rooms never looked more bright and cheerful and the entire interior of the Parish House presents a very attractive appearance. The Committee in charge is to be congratulated on the very satisfactory results.

The Church School

The record attendance for the last month was on the "blizzard" Sunday when the Superintendent went to the Parish House expecting to have a service all by himself and found 46 present including two of the youngest scholars in the Primary Department, a boy and a girl. We had a hearty service and a talk from Mr. Arndt instead of the lesson.

By the time this is in print, our rooms will be newly painted and decorated, and we have just had a gift toward furnishing maps and, etc., for the walls. The next thing we want is modern chairs instead of the old and obsolete forms we have been using for so many years.

OUR LENTEN WORK

As usual our work during Lent will be "Filling our missionary Mite Boxes." Last year our offering was \$253. The year before \$238. Let us take \$300 for our goal this year and the only way we can do this is the old way of keeping our mite box where we can see it and put something (no matter how small) in it each day. Just see how easy this will do it. We have about 250 members, then there are 46 days from Ash Wednesday till Easter. Now I want each scholar to use his arithmetic and see how near to \$300 we would get if each one put in his mite box *only three cents a day* and surely most of us can put in more than that.

Again let us keep Lent this year by *doing* some missionary work as well as *giving*; that is by hunting up and bringing a new scholar. There is no use in fixing up our school room without showing how we enjoy it by bringing others. We have lost many members since September and we have not filled all their places as yet. Then we

want to attend Church with our teachers each Sunday till Easter. The girls have made a good start, but where are the boys?

R. H. M.



Envelope Subscribers in Arrears

The Accounting Warden has given to the Rector the names of a number of subscribers to the envelope system who are in arrears—some of them for several months. There are a few who made pledges and have not given anything through the envelopes. Some of these persons, the Rector knows, have been absent from the city, or have been ill. These persons, of course, will remit in full as soon as they are able to return to the services of the Church. There are others on the list who have overlooked this duty, possibly through forgetfulness or it may be carelessness. As all pledges are entirely voluntary, any who wish to withdraw their pledges may do so at any time, by notifying the Rector or the Warden. But, until this is done, the Warden takes it for granted that the subscriber intends to fulfill his or her pledge.



"Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites"

At least eleven large racial groups are represented in a brief report from the Division of Work for Foreign-Born Americans, (printed in *The Living Church* for January 7), an unelaborated statement of work done with or among Hungarians, Greeks, Russians, Armenians, Poles, Swedes, Mexicans, Chinese in New York, Italians in six dioceses, Welsh in the Mid-West and on the Pacific Coast and Assyrians.

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The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Closing Days of Lent

May these closing days of Lent bring every Christian heart nearer to the Cross—near to Christ!

May we remain so close to Him, in these solemn days of His fasting, His suffering, His crucifixion, His death, that we "may know Him and the power of His Resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death."

As Holy Week draws near, the shadows deepen! Our Saviour is on His way to Calvary! The Cross appears! We turn our thoughts to the closing scenes in our Lord's earthly life; His triumphant entry on Palm Sunday into the city that He loves and we follow Him each day, as He slowly wends His way along the *Via Dolorosa* up to the Mount of Calvary.

I am sure that every Christian heart in this parish will yearn to be close to Jesus during these last holy days. Services are held more frequently and every Christian will give himself to more earnest prayer and effort. Our meditations, our prayers, our Communion will be our chiefest aim and motive. It is inconceivable that any Christian—man or woman, will desecrate this Holy Week with any social or frivolous affair. Our thoughts are on the most serious, the most solemn things in life. We watch, in loving sympathy, with our Lord in His Passion and follow Him, in deep devotion, to the Cross!

"Sweet the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the cross I spend;
Life and health and peace possessing
Through the sinner's dying friend.

"Here I kneel in wonder, viewing
Mercy poured in streams of blood;
Precious drops, for pardon suing,
Make and plead my peace with God."

Three-Hour Service on Good Friday

The Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Frank Williamson, Jr., of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia. It will be a privilege for the people of Christ Church to attend these Meditations as given by Father Williamson.

It is requested that persons be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

The offering, at the Three-Hour Service, is asked for Church work among the Jews. Alms plates will be found at the doors. A letter from the Bishop reads:

"I would remind you of the appropriateness of asking the offerings on Good Friday for the Mission among the Jewish people. Since by the action of the last Convention this work in Philadelphia was put on the Diocesan Budget, any money given to our own committee will apply on the Parish apportionment."

The offering from the people of Christ Church for this worthy object should be especially large this year, in recognition of the great privilege which the people of this Parish have enjoyed this Lent in listening to the very able addresses on the "Relation of Judaism to Christianity," as given by the learned Jewish convert, Mr. Mark John Levy.

Easter

"The strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won—
Alleluia!"

Out from the darkness into light; from the sadness of Gethsemane and Calvary into the joys of Easter; away from thoughts of suffering to hymns of victory; from the dark tragedy of Good Friday to the empty tomb—such is the great transition today in Christian thought, voiced in anthems and flowers in carols and hymns, and emphasized in the message of joy proclaimed from Christian pulpits. The news that encircles the globe on Easter morn and visits each city and village and home, and makes hearts beat the quicker for the joy, is the "good news" made to the disciples of old, and repeated through all the Christian centuries: "The Lord is risen indeed."

How strong a hold the fact of the Resurrection has gained upon the hearts of men! As the centuries multiply, the thought grows stronger and stronger. The world itself keeps Easter Day. Men and women are studying the fact from every point of view. Sentiment has laid hold of it. Reason has grasped the idea. The man of science finds the law of the Resurrection capable of demonstration. The spiritual truth beneath the fact itself far outweighs the seeming physical difficulties.

And who can find words to tell of the comfort which this thought gives to those who grieve over the loss of loved ones, gone before us? Who can express in language the hope with which it cheers and inspires the heart of one called to suffering and pain?

There is power in this central fact of Christian history. There is

inspiration in this keystone in the arch of Christian truth.

Let us rejoice, then, as we look day into the empty sepulchre. Let us weave the truth and the fact into our lives. Let it give courage to the struggles, hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy in every heart because Christ—the Risen Christ—has brought life and immortality to light.



Our Easter Offering

Our offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him might have life eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him Whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

Far back in the Old Testament times the faithful were commanded to appear before the Lord for sacrificial worship three times a year, and they were not to appear empty. One of these occasions was the "Feast of Unleavened Bread"—which corresponds to our Easter Day. "Three times in a year shall all appear before the Lord thy God in the place which He shall choose; in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and in the Feast of Weeks, and in the Feast of Tabernacles, and they shall not appear before the Lord empty. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He hath given thee." (Deut. 16: 16.)



The Vestry have issued a letter to the members of the congregation.

setting forth the financial needs of the Parish at this Easter. The letter states that \$1,300 is required to pay all outstanding bills and to provide for repairs to the Church property.

Whilst I am anxious that the full amount asked for by the Vestry shall be realized, I am even more anxious that this offering shall come abundantly from all; that every man, woman and child may share in it and give conscientiously; that the offering presented on the altar on Easter Day may be an expression of deep, true Christian sacrifice and devotion from every loyal Christian heart.

I earnestly pray that this may be the Easter gift. Then, indeed, will this joyous Easter bring to each heart a personal Easter blessing!



A Word to Unconfirmed Manhood in This Community

There is a large number of men in this, as I presume there is in every community, whose attitude toward the Church is difficult to understand. They believe in its teachings, are willing to support it, want their children brought up in it and are often enthusiastic in its praise, yet have never been confirmed and seem to hold back from becoming communicants of the Church.

There are three excuses that seem to stand in the way of their confirmation:

First—There are those that fear they are not good enough to become communicants of the Church. There are two ways of looking at this excuse. Confirmation is not intended for those who "are good enough," but for those who recognize their weakness and sinfulness

and desire to become better. Of course, there are those who love their sins so well that they do not want to become better. To these Jesus Christ has no message. "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." There is no blessing upon those who hunger for wickedness and thirst for iniquity.

But there are men in this community, while they think they are "not good enough," who would like to be better, who would like to have the strength to live up to their ideal of what a Christian should be. To such Jesus Christ calls to come unto Him, and to become a member of His Body—the Church. No human being, who has high ideals, can live up to them unaided and alone. The best way we may do is to grow towards them and the best way to grow towards them is by using the means of grace, such as Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, which God gives us through His Church. "My Grace is sufficient for thee," but only when men seek His Grace. "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." You are a sinner? Are you weak? Well, then, Christ calls you. Are you willing to answer that call? If so, then, show the stuff that is in you, and act like men! If so, then, let your best manhood assert itself, "put on the armor of Jesus Christ" and resolve to fight manfully under His banner unto your life's end. His Grace will sustain you in the fight. "Quit yourself like men," says the apostle. There is no defeat unless you refuse to serve or unless you give up the fight.

Second—There are men in this community who hold back because they lack the moral courage to take the step. It does take a good deal

of moral courage for a man to come out and announce his principles publicly. But in politics, when great moral evils are at stake, a man who lacks moral courage to declare his principles and does not dare to vote as his conscience dictates is considered a coward.

The State makes this test of her loyal citizens, and Christ makes His disciples stand this same test. We would glory in holding up the flag of our country even if we stood alone and our life was forfeited by our courage. That's the stuff true men are made of.

Men! Let the same courageous manhood assert itself in raising the standard of the Cross, remembering that if you, through cowardice, deny Christ before men He will deny you before your Father which is in heaven.

Third—There are men in this community who intend to take this step "some day," but find it convenient to make an excuse why they should not do it now.

In the United States Army there is an age limit after which men cannot enlist. Why not? Because, if the United States Army cannot have the services of a man when he is young and vigorous they do not want his services when he is old and feeble.

We do not say that Christ will not accept us at any age. His love is too great to reject His children at any age, but any man's self-respect ought to be such that he should be ashamed to say to Jesus Christ: "Yes, Lord, when I have given the best years of my life in serving myself; when I have spent my best vigor and manhood in the service of the world; when I am broken in health and am nearing my end, then I will enter Thy service.

Not now, Lord! not now in the strength of my manhood, when I could be of much valuable service to Thee! Not now, but after awhile." Will any man, who is a real man, offer such an excuse to God?

Men, in this community, who have not yet declared your allegiance to Jesus Christ! Stand up like men and bear a man's testimony to the fact that Jesus Christ is your Lord and Master, and although you may be unworthy followers of Him, yet you will endeavor by His help and guidance, to be His faithful soldier and servant unto your life's end.

Your Rector needs the support of men, if his work is going to be effective in building up the character of the young and bringing into the Church the strength and vigor for its moral influence. The Church needs the strong manhood of the land and the strong manhood of the land needs the Church. The Lord Jesus Christ calls for men, and today all over this world the bravest and the strongest and the best manhood in the world is more and more responding to that call and more and more the prophecy of our Lord is gradually being fulfilled "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." Men! Men, who have not yet come out and declared yourselves for Christ! Now is the time. Consult your Rector about the most important of all matters. Men! Do it now—like MEN!



Bishop Rhinelander to Conduct a Communicants' Service on Maundy Thursday Evening

I want to call the attention of all communicants of the Church to the Preparatory Service for Easter

Communion; which will be conducted by Bishop Rhinelander in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday Evening.

The Confirmation service will begin promptly at 7.45, with a sermon by the Bishop.

Immediately following the Confirmation will be held the Communicants' Service. All who have previously had the privilege of attending this Easter Preparatory Service, as conducted by Bishop Rhinelander, in Christ Church, know how very helpful and inspiring these meditations have been. The Bishop would like to have all communicants present at this service.

I, therefore, affectionately urge that *every communicant of Christ Church attend this Easter Preparatory Service on Maundy Thursday evening.*

Whilst this service is especially intended for communicants, *all persons*, whether they are communicants of the Episcopal Church or not, are cordially invited.



Oh, press this thought to your innermost soul—that those you have “loved long since and lost awhile,” love you still, with a warmth of affection which kindles brilliance, as they come nearer to the heart of the Eternal Father, the Source and Sun of Love. And in this love they wait for us—*Rev. F. B. Meyer.*



Services in Holy Week

Daily (except Good Friday and Saturday)—Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Monday—Evening Prayers, address, “Gethsemane,” 4.45 P. M.

Tuesday—Evening Prayer, address, “Christ Before Caiaphas,” 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday—Litany, Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.; Evening Prayer, address, “St. Peter,” 4.45 P. M.; Evening Service, address, “Judas,” 8 P. M.

Maundy Thursday—Evening Prayer, address, “The Last Supper,” 4.45 P. M. Confirmation and Communicants' Easter Preparatory Service 7.45 P. M.

Good Friday—Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora, address, “The Cross, 10.30 A. M. Three-Hour Meditation on the “Seven Words from the Cross.” Meditation conducted by the Rev. Frank Williamson, St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia, 12-3 P. M.

Easter Even—Evening Prayer, Baptism, 4.45 P. M.

Easter Day—Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M. Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon, 11.00 A. M. Church School Easter Carol Service.

Easter Monday and Easter Tuesday—Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.



In the Silence

Who would himself and God would know,

Into the silence let him go,
And lifting off pall after pall,
Reach to the inmost depth of all.
How small in that uplifted hour,
Temptation's lure and passion's power!

How weak the foe that made him fall!

How strong the soul to conquer all!
A mighty wind of nobler will
Sends through his soul its quickening thrill;

No more a creature of the clod
He knows himself a child of God.

—James Martineau.

Easter Memorial Flowers

The flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials of the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the chancel on Easter Day in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday preceding Easter, not later than noon.

Names of senders of flowers, together with the names of those in whose memory the flowers are sent, are requested to accompany the gifts.

Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may send the same either to the Rector or to Miss Chase, President of the Altar Guild, 148 East Washington lane. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials placed on the altar. Contributions of money are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.

The plants and flowers are sent to the sick after Easter.



Services on Easter Day

The services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer, Sermon, Holy Communion, 11.00 A. M.

Church School Easter Carol Service, 7.30 P. M.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

Envelope Subscribers

The new term of the envelope subscriptions begins at Easter time. The list of subscribers through the envelope system has increased over last year, but there still are a number of people in the Parish who are not subscribers. Every attendant of Christ Church should give regularly and systematically to the support of the work of the Parish. All pews in Christ Church are now free and unassigned. The revenue for the support of the work of the Parish, is, therefore, dependent upon the offerings received through the envelope system. Every one should be willing to do his or her share—even if the weekly amount is small. It is the willing co-operation on the part of every one that is wanted and needed.

So, let *every person* in the parish, *every member* of every family, child and adult, be a subscriber and do his or her part. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger. Please mark on the card the amount you are willing to give, weekly or monthly, sign your name and address and place it on the alms basin at any service or send it to the Rector.

A package of envelopes will then be sent to you for your offerings.

It is hoped that now at this Lenten season every one will make a resolve to be a regular subscriber.

Subscriptions should be made both to missions and to the Parish support



Mission Study Classes for Girls to be Continued

The Mission Study Class under the care of Miss Edith Johnson is developing much interest in the girls of the Junior Auxiliary with the

stories of missionary lands. This work will be continued and expanded after Easter with Miss Johnson in charge of the younger group, and Mrs. Eyster working with the older girls. Christ Church School has already made a fine showing in the Church School Service League, as reported in the current issue of the *Church Notes*, and it is hoped the week day activities may grow into a very important part of the Church School.



The Spring Missionary Service

of the Germantown and Chestnut Hill Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in St. Peter's Church, Germantown, Tuesday, March 28th, 1922, at 10 30 A. M. There will be Holy Communion and an address by the Right Rev. James Wise, D. D., Bishop of Kansas. The services will be in the interest of the united thank offering. The Communion alms will be added to that offering.

E. C.



Election of Vestrymen

An election for Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Church on Easter Monday, April 17th.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of

all such nominees in the Southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate



Charter of Incorporation— Article 6

The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men, to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each.

The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestrymen.



Easter Day is a day of joy and praise. Easter Day brings to us a sense of satisfied longings. Have we solid ground for hope? Is death the end? Can we be made what we ought to be? Is there living power in Prayer, in Sacraments, in the Church? Shall we live again? Shall we meet again with those we love after the sad partings of the grave? Has love been a mere torture? A wild, wasting, baseless delusion? The answer comes: "Christ loves us." "He is the same

yesterday, today and forever." "Jesus Christ is risen from the dead."—*Knox Little*.



It seems to me a most evident fact that wherever faith in the resurrection of Christ has disappeared, the idealistic arguments for immortality have begun at once to lose their convincing power. The nerve of their life has been cut.—*W. Douglas MacKenzie*.



The Church School

By the time this article is read by the members of the Church School, Easter will be less than one month ahead, so naturally the plans of the School all point to that day.

It is the expectation that the coming Easter will be marked by the School doing greater things than ever before.

First, there is the Lenten offering, which is aimed to reach the \$300 00 mark, and if each one will keep in mind during the remaining month the little mite box and see how often it can be made to receive your thought of others, Easter will see an offering of which the whole School may be proud.

Then there is the special music for the Easter services, and we are looking forward with pleasure to having assist us again Mr. R. F. Boggs, the leader who was so helpful at Christmas. Before this is in print the carols will have been selected and the School will have commenced practicing.

Of course, those who have been attending faithfully the sessions of the School know how much more attractive our School rooms are, but to those others, the absentees,

who are thought of so often and whose presence means so much to the success of the School, we want to say, Come and see.

We have so often made the appeal, yet it is always new, for those children of the Church and the neighborhood who are not attending any Sunday School. Surely there must be enough of such children, who, if they would only visit us, would really fill up the empty seats which wait so patiently for occupants.

Will not each member of the School and parents and friends in the Church, during the remaining days of Lent, help us to get these non-attendants to come to the School?

The School opens its sessions every Sunday morning at 9.45 A. M. *sharp*.

An unusually interesting Easter carol service will be held in the Church on Easter Day at 7.30. The Rev. Norman Van P. Levis, Rector of the Church of the Incarnation, Philadelphia, will give the address.



The Easter Music

The music in Christ Church on Easter Day, rendered by an augmented Choir, assisted by violins, cello and trumpets, will include the following:

Processional—"Jesus Christ is Risen Today."

"Christ Our Passover"...Fairlamb
Te Deum in B flat.....Standford
Anthem—"Break Forth Into Joy,"
Barnby

Hymn—"The Day of Resurrection,
Earth Tell it Out Abroad."

Communion Service....Tours in C
Retrocessional—"The Strife is O'er,
the Victory Won"

In the evening on Easter Day the Church Schools will sing their Easter carols in the Church at 7.30.



Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly is in its same "peppy" condition, always full of life and ready to do something. They have just started in on their Lenten sewing, which this year is for the Sandy Ridge Mission, way down in Virginia, just where it touches West Virginia, among the mountain whites, a most primitive lot of people and far away from any other settlement; so isolated that they do everything for themselves. For instance, when some one dies in the cabins, some of the men get to work and make the casket, others dig the grave, some go for the preacher, the women make the shroud and cook the meals for the people in affliction.

We are also practicing for a couple of little plays to be given Easter week. The exact date is not yet fixed, and Mr. Clifton is giving us his undivided time and interest in the coaching. We need money to carry on our work in the G. F. S. So we hope you will all keep us in mind immediately after Easter.

We had the great excitement of having one of our members married a short time ago, and just before the wedding we all met at Mrs. Lening's and gave the prospective bride the surprise of her life in a "shower." Our hostess gave us a lovely party afterward and we all went home almost as happy as the bride-to-be.

L. J. J.



Parents and Lobsters

There is a fable which says that it was a source of much grief and

vertriment to some fish to see the lobsters swimming backward, as is the custom of lobsters, instead of forward. They, therefore, called a meeting and decided to open a school for their instruction. This was done and it was gratifying to see a number of lobsters come. The fish argued that if they began with the young lobsters, as they grew older they would not only learn to swim right, but would continue to do so. At first, the young lobsters did very well; but, afterward, when they returned home and saw their fathers and mothers swimming in the old way, they soon forgot their lessons, and began to go backward again. Such was the power of example.

Many children, who come to our Church School, being taught better things, go home and see their parents living in the same old way, and they are forced backward by the bad home example.

A half-hour's instruction on Bible Truths, taught in our Church School! What effect will this instruction have on the hearts and minds of the young unless the impression of that truth be maintained and strengthened by parental instruction and example? Do the scholars in our Church School go home and find their parents indifferent to their Church duties, going backward in their Christian life? Do they go home and find lobsters there? If so, is it any wonder that so many young people are indifferent to the Church and all religious teaching? Whose fault is it?

How many parents who read these lines are lobsters? ARE YOU A LOBSTER? Think it over!

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The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

Vestry

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene St.
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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Our Easter Day

Another Easter has come and gone! And what a happy Easter it has been! Everything seemed to contribute to make it an ideal Easter Day. The dark Clouds, which overcast the sky all Good Friday intensified the sadness and the gloom of that awful day. A very large congregation was present in Church to watch and pray, to meditate on the "Last Seven Words" which our blessed Lord spoke, as He hung dying upon the Cross. We can never forget the solemn meaning of those "Last Seven Words" as they were interpreted to us by Father Williamson.

All day Saturday the sky continued overcast with clouds. And, then, on Easter morning! the clouds had rolled away and the sun shone forth in all its glorious splendor—more bright, more glorious, it seemed, than ever before.

"Morn's roseate hues have decked the sky;

The Lord has risen with victory;
Let earth be glad, and raise the cry,
Alleluia!

The Prince of Life with death has striven,

To cleanse the earth His blood has given,

Has sent the veil, and opened heaven.

Alleluia!

At the two early celebrations of the Holy Communion more persons than on any previous Easter came to the altar to meet their risen Lord. Four hundred and thirty-nine received Communion on Easter Day.

The sanctuary was filled with palms and blooming plants and both altars—the high and the chapel—were covered with lilies and cut flowers—all gifts from friends in memory of their blessed dead.

At the Midday service, an augmented choir, assisted by string instruments and trumpet, under the direction of Owen J. W. Burness, rendered the music in a most beautiful and devotional manner.

In the evening the Church Schools marched into the Church carrying banners and potted flowers, which were deposited in the chancel—all the flowers in the chancel and on the altar to be sent on the following day to the sick in their homes and in hospitals.

The singing of the Easter carols by the scholars of the School and especially by the little children of the Primary Department was unusually hearty. An illustrated address was given by our "old" friend, the Rev. Nathaniel B. Groton, Rector of St. Thomas Church, Whitemarsh and was listened to with rapt attention, both by the young people and by the parents and friends of the scholars, who occupied the rear pews of the Church.

"Rewards of merit" to the scholars, who had earned them, and diplomas to those who had graduated from the Primary Department, were given by the superintendent, Mr. Richard H. Morris.

The contents of the "mite boxes," of the scholars, which represented their savings and earnings during Lent, were received and presented upon the altar. This offering which is given to missions, amounted to \$275.00.

With this service, ended a very happy and a joyous Easter Day.



After Easter—What?

During the great forty days of Lent the hearts and minds of Christian people have been much with their Saviour, and we have all felt, to a greater or a less degree, the

preciousness of His presence. The influence of that companionship with Jesus, during those forty days, has been very real. And, then, on Easter Day! with what glad and happy hearts we greeted our Risen Lord, as we met Him again on that early morn. Surely we have seen the Lord!

But after Easter—what? Is there not danger, now, that we fall from our high estate and descend again to the lower level and follow along the path of our unspiritual and earthly self? Is there not danger that the vision of our greater and higher self, which has been revealed to us through our forty days' companionship with Jesus and our presence with Him on that happy Easter morn—is there not danger, now, that this exalted experience on the mountain top be forgotten and this vision, which we have had of heaven, be obscured by the mist and clouds of the valley, into which we are called to do our daily work and duty? It need not be; but there is danger that it will be so, unless we keep constantly before our eyes the mountain peaks which rise above the valley and "in heart and mind thither ascend and with Him continually dwell."

We have been with Christ during these past forty days, and in His Resurrection we have risen with Him to higher and holier ideals. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

May these after Easter days find us ever faithful and true in the pursuit of "those things which are above," and may God give us grace that "we may steadfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Parishioners We All Know

There are a great many Easter Day churchmen. Most of them are men; but the ranks are now being swelled by women also. Easter morning, if the weather permits, these churchmen put on their bright and shining faces and best clothes and proceed to the family pew, or, if they are not pewholders, take their position in the queue. The Easter churchmen, because there are so many of them, largely determine the atmosphere of the service, in our Churches Easter morning. In comparison with real parishioners they are noticeably detached; they wear an expectant air; they look receptive, as men not knowing what they are likely to get, for they are not familiar enough with worship and the Christian religion to know what one ought to be receptively expectant of when one goes to Church.

Just what one ought to get out of the Church on Easter Day is what the Easter Christian has not quite made up his mind about. Yet, in one sense, the Easter churchman is making a tremendous demand on the chancel. He is really asking to be convinced, by attending one service a year, that his soul is immortal and that the Christ of the Churches is a living Lord. That is much to ask from one service of an hour and forty minutes—mostly music; but the Rector knows that he is asking it, and his asking it presents to every Easter preacher a sore homiletic problem: Shall he preach to the Easter Christian or to the faithful? It is easy to preach to the faithful, for they anticipate and supplement his message. They have made it their living truth throughout the year. For forty days, with different degrees of faithfulness, they have been preparing their souls

for the great day. Like the disciples of old, they run to meet their Lord. They do not sit with vacant minds and hearts asking Him to come to them. They want Him. They go forth to meet Him as a friend. They know Him when they see Him.

Of all the people in Church on Easter morning, the most pitiful are the Easter Christians. The Rector, as he looks down from the chancel and reads the great words of hope or speaks his message from the pulpit, observes many types of parishioners. He sees the moist eyes of those whose sorrows he has known and entered into. He reads their hearts' longing, and he knows, too, the strength that is supporting them. He feels no doubt what he should say to them. He sees the doubters, too, who have tried to believe and have been in their places Sunday after Sunday seeking the truth. He knows their perplexities; he tries to have a message for them. But the Easter Christians, the men and women with the Christian past but no present, are pathetic people, most of them, because at the age of forty, fifty, or sixty, they don't even yet know whether one's religious life ought to have *forth*. They have form in their business, their profession, their sport, their social life, but in their religious life they have no habit, no conventions, no accepted routine. They are drifting, occasionally seeking something—they don't know precisely what. Their eyes grow moist at funerals, for the Easter Christian is likely to be very sentimental about death, and they weep surreptitiously over "Crossing the Bar," and "Lead, Kindly Light." They think of that as religious emotion. But they go out from the service to bury their questionings and misty hopes in golf, business and perhaps in light

dissipation; they never face the problem of problems. And when Easter Day comes round, once a year, as a last remnant of a form they once acknowledged, they don their high hats and new gloves and start in search of a family pew. And sometimes, when they are smoking their after-dinner cigar, they remark: "What a poor argument that was the Rector put up this morning. Is it possible to make a churchmen in twenty minutes? It is, with the help of God!—but! can God help such people?"

The Churchman.



Ascension Day

The next great feast after Easter is the Feast of the Ascension.

On the fortieth day after Easter, our Lord meets His chosen and leads them out beyond Bethany to the Mount of Olivet. For the last time the Master and His disciples walk along those familiar paths. He gives them final instructions concerning "the things which pertain to the kingdom of God."

When He assembles them upon the mount, and overflowing with love for those whom He had chosen out of the world and for all who should believe on Him through them. He raised those precious hands in Divine blessing. Then the Son of Man and the Son of God rises by His own power up into the vault of heaven. Awe-struck, dumb with amazement, even the impulsive Peter finds no words to say. With outstretched hands in benediction upon the world that had rejected Him, a cloud receives Him out of their sight; and still they gaze entranced in heart felt worship and lofty contemplation. Then angels sent back by the Triumphant King, announce to them that He who had

promised to be with them to the end of the world and had bade them wait at Jerusalem for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, would Himself come again in like manner, that it with clouds and the angelic hosts.

And then the disciples, no longer doubting, but full of joy, knowing Christ no more after the flesh, but after the Spirit, returned to Jerusalem with the gentle and holy Mary to wait for the coming of the Paraclete.



Whitsun Day

Ten days after the feast of the Ascension comes the Feast of Pentecost, commonly called Whitsunday.

In this feast of the Holy Spirit, which is the birthday of the Church, the culmination of our Lord's Incarnation is attained. He ascended that the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity might come and abide in His Church, uniting its members one with another, and all to the Great Head that we might be led into all knowledge, truth and holiness forever. For ten days after the Ascension the little company of believers, with the Holy Mother, waited in that upper room, in obedience to their Lord's command, spending the hours in prayer and supplication for the Promised Comforter. "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting." And then the cloven tongues, the supernatural utterances vouchsafed to all the amazement of the holders. St. Peter's sermon, the conviction of the hearers, the Baptism of the three thousand all followed in quick succession. "The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world and that

which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice."

The Apostles are "endued with power from on high." What a contrast the betrayal the cowardly denial and the forsaking of our Lord present when placed side by side with the intrepid conduct of the newly inspired Apostles! From that time they went forth, endued with supernatural power, to convert the world and through them we have been brought from darkness and error into the true light.

Loving, persuasive and tender is the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

"His that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breadth of heaven,
That checks each thought, that
calms each fear,
And speaks of Heaven."

Sunday next after Whitsunday occurs the feast of the Holy Trinity.



Holy Trinity

On Trinity Sunday culminates the doctrinal half of the Church Year. The remainder of the year from now to Advent, the Church lays chief emphasis on the practical side of life. "Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God," are the opening words of the Epistle for the First Sunday after Trinity.

Hitherto the emphasis from Advent on has been on the "fundamentals of the faith"—the Incarnation, the Resurrection, the Ascension, the coming of the Holy Spirit. On Trinity Sunday the Church's services mount up to the throne of Godhead. In the word "Trinity" she simply sums up what is revealed concerning God—that in substance He is one, but in Person, three.

The reception of truth must be gradual. The Church leads us step by step from Advent to Trinity Sunday. In Advent is heralded the coming of the Son of God and we are taught to prepare for Him, "to make His ways straight;" at Christmas the heavenly host proclaims from the starry firmament the "good tidings of great joy;" on Epiphany the wise men came from afar, and the Christ is manifested to the Gentiles; through Lent we enter into our Saviour's Temptation; in Gethsemane we witness the Agony; on Good Friday we follow our Saviour to the Cross and see the Son of God suffer and die for us; on the glorious Feast of Easter we see Him rise triumphant from the grave; then for forty days after the Resurrection we follow Him as He teaches His disciples "things pertaining to the Kingdom of God;" then on Holy Thursday we are with the Apostles and behold His glorious Ascension into Heaven, there to sit on the right hand of the Father; while on Whitsunday we are taught that the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth, has come to guide us into all Truth and to dwell in the Church and in our hearts forever!

Thus does the Church prepare us, step by step, for the glorious culmination of her teaching, enabling us to grasp by faith the mystery of the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity.



Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church Parish

This year, 1922, marks the Seventieth Anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish. During these years Christ Church has been singularly blessed. In recognition of these blessings and with gratitude to God for all His

mercies, during these past years, this Seventieth Anniversary will be fittingly observed during the coming fall.

Definite plans have not yet been formulated. The Rector will be glad to receive suggestions from anyone. Fuller information and plans will be published in next month's issue of the CHIMES.



An Appeal from the Finance Committee

The Finance Committee of the Vestry has issued a letter to the members of the congregation asking the co-operation of *every member* in the Parish in the extension of the envelope system of giving. Since the pews in Christ Church have all been declared free and unassigned the support of the Parish and its many philanthropies depend upon every one giving a stated and regular sum. Most parishes in the diocese have, what is called an "Every Member Canvass" once every year, when each member is asked to repledge a definite amount which he or she is willing to give for the ensuing year. The Vestry have thought that the wisest policy, at present, to pursue in this Parish is to solicit pledges by issuing a general appeal to all members. It is believed that the members of the Parish, recognizing how important it is that the Parish should be supported by all—by *each and every member*—will respond to the Vestry's appeal, as set forth in this general letter. It is hoped that *every one—each member of every family*—will sign an individual card, that the list of contributing members may include every man, woman and child in the Parish.

By this method everyone will feel a personal responsibility and

share the joy which comes from *personal*, individual co-operation in the furtherance of the Kingdom of God, both at home and in the missionary fields of the Church.



"Every-Member Canvass—Why Annually"

The Presiding Bishop and Council of the Church, in urging upon the parishes of the Church throughout the country, the importance of an *Annual* "Every Member Canvass," has set forth the following reasons for such a canvass. BECAUSE.

1. Some will have grown in grace.

2. Some will have increased their knowledge of the Church's programme, and so will have developed new interest.

3. The income of some will have increased.

4. Some may have suffered loss of income; opportunity should be given them to reduce pledges if necessary, without embarrassment.

5. Some will have been added by Confirmation or transfer; these should be enrolled as contributors.

6. Experience proves that without an *Annual* renewal a large percentage of contributors is lost. Even when people simply renew pledges made "until revoked," it is helpful in keeping their pledges "alive."

7. Courtesy dictates that *Every Member* should be visited, lest feelings be hurt by distinctions between canvassed and uncanvassed.

8. Those who have made pledges for a definite period longer than one year are entitled to the recognition of a visit and of up-to-date information on the progress of the Church's work.

9. It is the best method known for keeping the entire membership enlisted.

10. It promotes fellowship.

11. It is of great educational value to the canvasser.

12. The perfect canvass has not yet been held.

13. God blesses the earth with seedtime and harvest *annually*.



From the Accounting Warden

The Accounting Warden regrets that he is unable to report the receipt of the full amount of \$1300, to cover the deficit in the Church finances for the fiscal year ending May 31st, 1922. The amount received was a very liberal one, amounting to \$1,144.88 to date. As additional offerings are still coming in it is hoped that the full amount will still be realized by the end of the month, so that we will enter the new year knowing that all the Church expenses of the past year have been met from the receipts of that period. If any of the members of the congregation have not already contributed, it is hoped that they will still send in their contributions.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.



Holy Thursday—Ascension Day

A celebration of the Holy Communion, with an address, will be held on Ascension Day, Thursday morning, May 25th, at nine-thirty o'clock. The offering will be given for missions.



Poor Children's Outing Fund

It is not too early to announce that the usual offering for Poor Children's Country Week will be

taken in our Church on the third Sunday morning in June. This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give.

All lovers of children, and especially poor children living in the congested courts and alleys of our city, will want to help, to the extent of their ability, in sending these children into the country for a week or more of fresh air and sunshine.

Should you be absent from Church on Sunday morning, June 18th, please send your contribution to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Edward Bains, 104 Harvey St., or to the Rector.



There is a beautiful receipt which he who has received an injury, or thinks he has, would, for his own sake, do well to follow—"excuse half and forgive the rest."



The Women's Auxiliary

The last meeting of the Women's Auxiliary will be held on the third Thursday, May 18th. The Auxiliary will then adjourn to meet again on the third Thursday in September, the 21st.

As the CHIMES goes to press, a meeting is being held of the Parish Committee, composed of representatives from every Society in the Parish, to consider plans for the appropriate observance of the Seventieth Anniversary of the institution of Christ Church Parish.

It has been suggested that the observance of this anniversary be held in the fall. Further announcement will appear in the June number of the CHIMES.

Vestrymen Elected

Germantown, Phila., Pa.
April 17, 1922.

We, the undersigned, duly appointed to act as Judges of an Election, held this day, for six Vestrymen of the Corporation known as "The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania," hereby certify that such an election was held this day, between the hours of five and six o'clock, P. M., according to notice duly given; that we attended thereat; and that the following named persons were duly elected:

VESTRYMEN

For Three Year Term

O. N. Middleton, J. M. Woodroffe, R. H. Morris, Frederick Lennig.

For Two Year Term

C. W. Sutcliffe, Jr., Dr. T. H. Carmichael.

Judges of Election,

James Carmint, Jr.,
George C. Foust,
William S. Crowder.

At the meeting of the Vestry, held Tuesday, April 18th, Edward Bains was re-elected Accounting Warden, and Francis B. Falkner, Secretary. The Rector reappointed James M. Woodroffe Rector's Warden. The following were elected:

Delegates to the Convocation of Germantown and Deputies to the Diocesan Convention—

Col. Sheldon Potter, Mr. J. M. Woodroffe, Mr. R. H. Morris.

Alternates to the Convocation of Germantown—

Dr. Wm. N. Johnson, Mr. Edward Bains, Mr. U. S. Rowley.

Standing Committees of the Vestry Appointed by the Rector—

*Choir Committee—*Mr. Woodroffe, Dr. Carmichael, Mr. Sutcliffe.

*Church Committee—*Mr. Morris, Mr. Falkner, Mr. Bains.

*Property Committee—*Mr. Lennig, Mr. Rowley, Mr. Middleton.

*Finance Committee—*Dr. Johnson, Mr. Woodroffe, Mr. Rowley.

*Every-Member Canvass Committee—*Mr. Morris, Mr. Lennig, Mr. Middleton, Mr. Sutcliffe.



Baptisms

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

April 9th—Thomas Charles Carter, Alma Mary Hagy, Elizazeth Anne Idell, Vina Jane Monroe, Elsie May Monroe, Lillian Rose Treglown, Dorothy Florence Treglown, Alfred Theodore Treglown, Henry Martin Treglown.

April 15th—Margaret Walton Boggs, Margaretta Jane Logue, Ethel Adeline Maxwell, Kathleen Merlyn Maxwell, Claude Calvin Stephenson, Jr., Edith Marian Stephenson, Robert Hastings Taylor, Elizabeth Ethel Wismer.

April 23rd — Dorothy Lara Lukens.



On Maundy Thursday evening, April 13th, the Rt. Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Alaska, administered the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation and preached in Christ Church. The following are the names of persons

Confirmed

Defend, O Lord, this thy Child (or this thy Servant) with thy heavenly grace; that he may continue thine for ever; and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit more and more, until he come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

George Henry Adams, James A. Carmint, Mary Clapp, Sarah Peacock Clifton, Marian Elizabeth Feist, Alberta Ella Gomeringer, Gordon Gravenstine, Alma May Hagy, Elizabeth Anne Idell, Emma Louise Menke, Vina Jane Monroe, Elsie May Monroe, Karl Lipphart Morteller, Martha Beatrice McHenry, Virginia May Raymond, Alice Cusworth Robertson, Anna Barney Robinson, Melvin Harper Shriver, Marjorie Martin Stryke, Anita Marea Taylor, Samuel Coffin Taylor, Lillian Rose Treglown, Arthur Burdette Vossler, Mabel Eugenia Vossler, Helen Eugenia Vossler, Ruth Eleanor Vossler.



Marriages

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

April 29th—Edward Thomas Towill to Marguerite Haslam Laughlin.



Burials

"Looking for the general Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Aprile 4th—Albanus Aiman.
April 18th—Henry B. Hughes.
April 25th—Alinda McAlester.
April 29th—Ethel Steer.



The Church School

The most important event of the last month was our Easter Carol

Service on Easter evening. Many have said that it was a beautiful service and well attended by parents and friends as well as our scholars. The Rev. Mr. Groton gave us a good talk on "Mite makes might boxes," and where they go throughout the world.

We then presented our "mite boxes" the total being over \$275.00 which was \$25.00 more than last year. I must mention that one boy had in his mite box \$15.00, which amount he not only earned himself during Lent, but gave \$5.00 also to his sister. Let us all keep his example before us next year and I know we will double this year's offering.

The following were promoted from the Primary Department to the main school: Corinne Bose, Jane Courtney, Ruth Fitch, Florence Osborne, Alberta Wright, Pauline D. Long, Leonard Mensing, Thomas Pritchard, Edward White, Samuel Baxter, Jr., John Courtney, Wm. Davidson, Vaughn Hagy, Robt. Klink, Graham Klink, Pierson Smith, John Stull, Philip Taylor.

These 18 boys and girls will leave a great big vacancy in the Primary Department and I want each one of the 18 to try and bring a new scholar to Miss Feist to take their place.

A "remembrance" was given to the following scholars who had a continuous attendance at Sunday School for more than one year:

For more than 7 years, Mrs. Elizabeth Baisbrown; more than 4 years, Chas. Buchenhorst, Annie Wertsner; more than 3 years, Elizabeth Haas, Alice Robertson, Margaret Courtney, Helen McHenry; more than 2 years, Helen Robinson, Nancy Courtney, Betty Melchor, Helen Wertsner, Mar-

garet Robinson, William Blank, Mary Keenan, Martha McHenry, Marion Feist, Katharine Wertsner, Bertram Malaby; more than 1 year, Anna Bell Bradley, Marjorie Stryke, Richard Hogue, William Philler, Wm. N. Johnson, Jr., Clifton Malaby, James Osborne, Jeanette Gilfillian, Alberta Gomerlinger, Richard Sutcliffe, Fred Hocker.

Primary Department for faithful attendance: Ruth Fitch, Thomas Pritchard, Alberta Wright, Samuel Baxter, Jr., Elizabeth McGukin.

A "remembrance" was also given to 22 scholars who attended Church service without missing from Christmas to Easter.

The "Star Class" record for the year is Miss Johnson's 14 times, Miss Gerhard's 13 times, Miss Cave's 10 times, Mrs. Schaefer's 10 times.

A star class means that the teacher and all scholars are present. Lack of space prevents giving other interesting events.

The real work of the School is to prepare our scholars for membership in the Church and we can take pride, I think, in the fact that in the class that Rev. Mr. Arndt presented to Bishop Rowe for Confirmation on April 13th were 17 scholars from our School, the largest number for many years.

The next issue of THE CHIMES will contain our plans for the summer.

R. H. M.



Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church

By the time this article comes to you the G. F. S. will have thrown themselves upon you censure or praise. We hope devoutly for the

latter, for our effort was solely to please, and thereby enrich our exchequer in order that we may do our share of G. F. S. work; such as our part of the support of the Holiday House at Cape May; our Lodge in Philadelphia; the support of an Igorrote girl in the Philippines; our extension work—which is the sending of workers to towns and villages where there are no G. F. S. centres, to establish them—our social service work; our Lenten work; and last, but not least, of our desires is to fix up our G. F. S. room so that it will be an attractive spot towards which our girls will turn with joy every Tuesday night. We have a wonderful group of girls and associates and they deserve all the beauty and grace we can surround them with.

Come and visit us. We are indeed a very happy crowd and would give you a very warm welcome.

L. J. J.



The Mothers' Meeting

The Mothers' Meeting has met weekly during the winter, with largely attended sessions. There has been much accomplished so that the afternoons have been profitable as well as pleasant. A large number of garments has been made for the Needle Work Guild, and the contents of the missionary box for the United Thank Offering amounted to \$9.84. We number on our roll thirty-five members and our usual attendance has been over twenty. In April one of our members, Mrs. Christian Lackman was taken from us. Always patient and cheerful she met the trial of failing health with true Christian fortitude. We shall miss her presence and example.

We shall soon close for the season on Tuesday, May 16th, and are anticipating an entertainment on that date. Mrs. Rowley, Mrs. Pinkerton and Mrs. Falkner have added greatly to the success of the meetings by their interest and work.



The Woman's Bible Class

The Woman's Bible Class meets on Sunday afternoon with an attendance of from fourteen to fifteen members. Our membership totals twenty. This year we have followed the life and teachings of Christ, as set forth in the American Church Sunday School lessons. The course has been very interesting and we all regret that the time for closing is near at hand. We hope to begin our sessions again on the first Sunday in October.



Killed by Giving

Bishop Whipple, in a letter written just before his death, said: "I close by repeating a story which dear Bishop Clarkson loved to tell. A devout colored preacher whose heart was aglow with missionary zeal, gave the notice to his congregation that in the evening an offering would be taken up for missions, and asked for liberal gifts. He had in his congregation one well-to-do man who was very selfish, and who said to him before the service: 'Yer gwine to kill dis church ef yer goes on saying, Give, Give! No church can stan' it! Yer gwine ter kill it.' After the sermon the minister said to the people, 'Before the service tonight Brother Jones told me I

was gwine to kill dis yere church if I keep a asking yer to give; but, my brethren, churches do'sn't die that way. Ef dere's anybody knows of a church dat's died 'cause it's been giving too much to der Lord, I'll be very much obliged ef my brother will tell me whar dat church is, fur I'se gwine to visit it, an' I'll clim up on de walls of dat church under te light of the moon, and cry, Blessed are de dead dat die in de Lord."



John Wesley—A Loyal Churchman

John Wesley, whom the Methodists to-day regard as their founder, and whose memory is revered by the whole Christian world, was one of the most Godly men of his time, was a true and loyal member of the Episcopal Church—the Church of England—until his death. He did a great work in his day for the spiritual revival of the Church, and he did it loyally and bravely. He stirred the hearts of the masses. He adapted the truth of the Gospel and the system of the Church to meet their conditions and needs, and amid such conditions he refused to allow his followers to separate from the Church. He withstood the tendency to form a separate organization and, until his death, denounced his followers who wanted to leave the Church, and said, "If you leave the Church, you leave me." It is interesting today, when the subject of Church unity is so generally engaging the minds of Christian people, to read the words of this saintly man, to whom the Methodists owe so much. It can scarcely be doubted what his advice would be, if he were living today.

In order to feel the force of the following quotations from Mr.

Wesley's works, it will be necessary to bear in mind that he was born in the year of 1703 and that he died A. D. 1791, at the extreme old age of 88 years. The extracts from his writings cover the latter half of his life, the first being passed over because it is nowhere claimed that he was anything except a Churchman during the earlier part of his career.

1746: "I dare not renounce Communion with the Church of England. As a minister I teach her doctrines; I use her offices; I conform to her Rubrics; I suffer reproach for my attachment to her. As a private member, I hold her doctrines; I join in her offices, in prayer, in hearing, in communicating." Vol. VIII, p. 444.

1747: "We continually exhort all who attend on our preaching, to attend the offices of the Church. And they do pay a more regular attendance than they ever did before." Vol. VIII, p. 488.

1755. "We began reading together 'A Gentleman's Reasons for His Dissent from the Church of England.' It is an elaborate and lively tract, and contains the strength of the cause; but it did not yield us one proof that it is lawful for us, much less our duty to separate from it." Vol. II, p. 328.

1758: In this year Mr. Wesley wrote his "Reasons Against a Separation from the Church of England;" and in writing in 1778 he says: "These reasons were never yet answered and I believe they never will." The Rev. Charles Wesley says of this tract: "I think myself bound in duty to add my testimony to my brother's. His twelve reasons against our ever separating from the Church of England are mine also. I subscribe to

them with all my heart. My affection for the Church is as strong as ever; and I clearly see my calling, which is to live and die in her Communion. This, therefore, I am determined to do, the Lord being my helper." Vol. XIII, p. 199.

1759: "I received much comfort at the old Church in the morning, and at St. Thomas' in the afternoon. It was as if both the sermons were made for me. I pity those who can find no good in Church. But how should they, if prejudice come between them? An effectual bar to the Grace of God." Vol. II, p. 478. "I had appointed to preach at seven in the evening at Bradford, but when I came, I found Mr. Hart was to preach at six, so I delayed till the Church service was ended, that there might not appear on my part, at least, even the shadow of opposition between us." Vol. II, p. 516.

1761: "We had a long stage from hence to Swadale, where I found an earnest, loving, simple people, whom I likewise exhorted not to leave the Church though they had not the best of ministers." Vol. III, p. 61.

1763: "I then related what I had done since I came to Norwich first, and what I would do for the time to come, particularly that I would immediately put a stop to preaching in the time of Church service." Vol. III, p. 152.

1766: "I see clearer and clearer none will keep to us unless they keep to the Church. Whoever separates from the Church separates from the Methodists." Vol. III, p. 260.

1767: "I rode to Yarmouth and found the Society, after the example of Mr. W——p, had entirely left the Church. I judged it need-

ful to speak largely upon that head. They stood reprov'd, and resolved, one and all, to go to it again." Vol. III, p. 272.

1768: "I advise all, over whom I have any influence, steadily to keep to the Church." Vol. III, p. 337.

1772: "I attended the Church of England service in the morning, and that of Kirk in the afternoon. Truly, 'no man having drank old wine, straitway desireth new.' How dull and dry the latter appeared to me, who had been accustomed to the former." Vol. III, p. 463.

1775: "Understanding that nearly all the Methodists, by the advice of Mr. ———, had left the Church, I earnestly exhorted them to return to it." Vol. IV, p. 64.

1777: "They, the Methodists, have read the writings of the most eminent pleaders for separation, both in the last and present century. They have spent several days in General Conference upon this very question, 'Is it expedient, supposing, not granting, that it is lawful, to separate from the Established Church?' But still they could see no sufficient cause to depart from their first resolution. So that their fixed purpose is, let the Clergy or Laity use them well or ill, by the grace of God, to endure all things, to hold on their even course." Vol. VIII, p. 428.

1778: "The original Methodists were all of the Church of England and the more awakened they were the more zealously they adhered to it in every point, both of doctrine and discipline. Hence we inserted in the very first Rules of our Society, 'They that leave the Church leave us.' And this we did, not as a point of prudence, but as a point of conscience." Vol. XIII, p. 134.

"I believe one reason why God is pleased to continue my life so long is to confirm them in their present purpose not to separate from the Church." Vol. VII, p. 278. "I dare not separate from the Church; I believe it would be a sin to do so; I have been true to my profession from 1730 to this day." Vol. VII, p. 279.

1785: "Finding that a report had been spread abroad that I was just going to leave the Church, to satisfy those who were grieved concerning it, I openly declared in the evening that I had no more thought of separating from the Church than I had forty years ago." Vol. IV, p. 320.

1786: "Whenever there is any Church service, I do not approve of any appointment the same hour, because I love the Church of England and would assist, not oppose it, all I can." Vol. XIII, p. 55. (This is taken from a letter to the Rev. Freeman Garreston, of the Methodist Society in America, and clearly shows that in no instance did he suffer anything to be done to oppose the Church of England, whether in the States or at home.")

1787: "I went over to Deptford, but it seemed I was got into a den of lions. Most of the leading men of the Society were mad for separating from the Church. I endeavored to reason with them, but in vain; they had neither sense nor good manners left. At length, after meeting the whole Society, I told them, 'If you are resolved, you may have your service in Church hours, but remember from that time you will see my face no more.' This struck deep; and from that time I have heard no more of separating from the Church." Vol. IV, p. 357. "Few of them, those who separated, assigned the unholiness of either the

Clergy or Laity as the cause of their separation. And if any did so, it did not appear that they themselves were a jot better than those they separated from." Vol. XIII, p. 183.

1788: "This is the peculiar glory of the people called Methodists. In spite of all manner of temptations, they will not separate from the Church. What many so earnestly covet, they abhor. They will not be a distinct body." Vol. VIII, p. 233.

1789: "Unless I see more reasons for it than I ever yet saw, I will never leave the Church of England, as by law established, while the breath of God is in my nostrils." Vol. XIII, p. 238. In this year, two before his death, Mr. Wesley wrote "Seven more reasons against separating from the Church."

1790: "I have been uniform, both in doctrine and discipline, for above these fifty years, and it is a little late for me to turn into a new path, now I am gray-headed." Vol. XII, p. 439.

"The Methodists in general are members of the Church of England. They hold all her doctrines, attend her services and partake of her sacraments." Vol. XIII, p. 119.

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The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

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Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
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Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
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HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
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Second Sunday in month or by appointment
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church; "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

THIS YEAR, 1922, MARKS THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THIS PARISH. READ ANNOUNCEMENTS, IN THIS MONTH'S "CHIMES," OF THE COMING CELEBRATION IN NOVEMBER!

The Rector is taking the month of September as a part of his vacation and expects to attend the Conventions to be held in Seattle and in Portland, Oregon. He will return (D. V.) the last week in September.



Three Important Conventions

Three notable and very important Conventions, in which every Churchman will be deeply interested, will be held during this month of September. The first, in time, will be the Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, which will be held in the city of Seattle, August 30th to September 3rd, inclusive. The purpose of this Convention is purely spiritual. Representatives of the strong and virile young manhood of the Church will meet together for no purpose other than to discuss ways and means toward the deepening of the religious life among the manhood of our Church, and especially "for the furtherance of the Kingdom of God among young men by prayer and service." The Convention will be presided over by Mr. Edward H. Bonsall, of this city of Philadelphia. We are glad to report that three members of Christ Church, Germantown, will be present at this Convention.

The Daughters of the King, an Order of the Church, whose object and mission among women are identical to those of the Brotherhood among men, will hold its Convention in the city of Portland, Oregon, during the following week.

Representatives of the Order from the various dioceses of the country, will be present. The National Treasurer of the Order, who is a member of this Parish, will be one of the delegates from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The General Convention of the American Church will assemble in the city of Portland on Wednesday, September 6th, and will probably continue in session for several weeks. This is the great legislative body representing the whole Episcopal Church. It meets every three years. Deputies or representatives from every Diocese and Missionary District in this country and in foreign parts will be present. Matters of far-reaching import to the Church and its mission will be discussed and acted upon at this Convention. Action will also be taken on the subject of the revision of parts of the Prayer Book, which was laid over from the last Convention held three years ago.

The Women's Auxiliary will also hold its meeting at the same time and place. The triennial "Thank-Offering" for Missions will be presented from the women of the Church.

Every member of the Church should be deeply interested and concerned in the proceedings and outcome of these Conventions. Every member should keep himself well informed on the subjects which will come before the Convention and should make it a special object of earnest, fervent prayer, that the representatives of the Church, in

council assembled, may be saved from all error, ignorance, pride and prejudice, and God's Holy Spirit may "direct, sanctify and govern" them in all their doings to the glory of His holy name and to the extension upon earth of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, the only Saviour and Redeemer of mankind.



Prayers to be Used for the Meeting of the General Convention

(Taken from the Prayer Book)

Almighty and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Council of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world; We beseech thee to be with the Council of thy Church assembled in thy Name and Presence. Save them from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to direct, sanctify, and govern them in their work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death; till at length the whole of thy dispersed sheep, being gathered into one fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life; through the merits and death of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

For the Unity of God's People

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Missions

O God, who has made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the

face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are afar off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Prayer is Indispensable

The supreme importance of the prayer life of a parish can hardly be over-emphasized. Prayer is one of the things in which the early Church "continued." That is, prayer was an essential factor in its everyday existence. We have seldom seen the privilege and duty of prayer, as an expression of parish life, so persuasively set forth as in the following from the *Southern Churchman*:

A prosperous church is a church which prays. It is written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." We must never lose faith in prayer. We must never abandon prayer. We must never lose the spirit of prayer. A church can get on for a considerable time without singing, and can go on indefinitely with indifferent singing. A church may do well with poor preaching, and even without preaching of any kind. But a church without prayer is no church at all. We might as well expect a man to live without breathing as to expect a church to live without praying. Pray for the minister. Pray for the sick and afflicted. Pray for the children. Pray for the lost. Pray for the community. Pray for one another. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into His harvest. Pray without ceasing. Pray everywhere. Let the church be characterized by

prayer, filled with the atmosphere of prayer, and crowded with the trophies of prayer.



Upon his return from his trip in the West, the Rector hopes to give a brief account, at one of the services in the Church, of the Conventions which he expects to attend at Seattle and Portland.

In the meantime Church people should keep themselves well informed on the proceedings of the Convention by *subscribing to and reading one of the general Church papers* *The Living Church*, 1801 Fond du Lac Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is making a special Convention subscription offer of \$1.00 for three months' subscription or \$2.00 for seven months. *The Churchman*, published at 2 West Forty-seventh Street, New York City, *The Southern Churchman*, are also offering a special six months' subscription for \$2.00. Full reports of the proceedings of the General Convention and editorial comment on matters coming before the Convention, with special articles dealing with the questions of the Prayer Book Revision, will be given by each of these papers. Every churchman, who would have an intelligent understanding of the questions coming before the Church, should read one, or both, of these national Church papers. Do not rely upon the accounts of the Convention published in the secular papers. Subscribe for one of the national Church papers and get the truth!



The Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church

This year, 1922, marks the Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church Parish. As announced in

another column of THE CHIMES, the occasion will be fittingly observed in November. There will be a week of special meetings and services, and everyone who is at present a member of the Parish or who has been, in the past, connected in any way with Christ Church, is invited to co-operate in making this Seventieth Anniversary Celebration a success. Suggestions as to the character and form which the celebration should take will be gladly received from anyone.

It is hoped to be able to announce in the next issue of THE CHIMES the program of the meetings and services to be held.

In the meantime, let every one anticipate the coming observance of the anniversary and be ready and willing to contribute in every way possible to its success.



Casuals

When is a soldier not a soldier?
When he is a casual.

He may wear the uniform and look the part, but he doesn't count. For the time being he is detached from his organization and is, so to speak, floating about in space. He doesn't have to rise at reveille or turn in at taps. He is a free lance. The soldier on regular duty may envy him his freedom. But no true soldier wants to be a casual long. He wants to serve his country, and he knows that he can't do so as a casual.

During the war, certain French cities were cluttered with uniformed Americans who seemed to belong to no particular regiment. They were casuals. For one reason or another they had been detached from their former unit, and not yet connected up with another. Some were just in transit. Some

had been invalided back from the front and were being shunted from hospital to hospital. Some were on leave.

In any case there was always something pathetic about a casual. For the time being he was a "nobody," from a military standpoint. Before he could function again as an American soldier he must be connected up somewhere. Many ex-service men can bear witness to the fact that no soldiers are more severely tempted than casuals. I have known good soldiers to go A. W. O. L. and encounter dangers and hardships to get back and be reinstated in their regiments. They were homesick and lonely and felt they weren't proving anything as casuals.

When is a Churchman not a Churchman?

When he is a casual.

There are an amazing number of them about in our cities and towns. They may have been duly confirmed and served well in some former parish. But for some reason they have become detached. Perhaps they are in transit and feel for the time being a delightful sense of freedom. But no good Churchman will want to be casual long. He wants to serve the Church and he knows that so long as he is a casual he *doesn't count*.

How can a man who has been sealed by the cross at baptism and pledged to "continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end" elect to remain a casual? Only a slacker would deliberately make such a choice.

But modern conditions seem conducive to a steady increase in the number of casuals. The population shifts rapidly. People move away from the dear associations of the

"home Church" and find themselves strangers in a strange community. They shrink from making new affiliations. Unless they receive a cordial welcome they are in danger of becoming chronic casuals.

No class of people are more tempted to lapse into indifference and unbelief. They are under no discipline. They feel no sense of responsibility. Both for their own good and for the sake of the Church every effort should be made to connect them promptly with some parish.—T. S. C.

When the Third Assembly of the League of Nations meets in Geneva on September 3 the inaugural sermon at the cathedral in that city will be preached by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who has accepted the invitation of the cathedral authorities. Such an opportunity for the Primate of the Church of England has in it elements that stir the imagination and heighten optimism. He will on this occasion address the representatives of over fifty nations, speaking, at the invitation of a church of a foreign country, in the name of the Christian Church throughout the world. The spirit of fellowship that glows on the pages of the Gospel has been lamentably remote from the councils of the nations. In these times of disillusionment an invitation such as that received by the Archbishop of Canterbury is not lacking in significance.



Kalendar for September

September 3rd—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

September 10th — Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

September 17th — Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

September 20th, 22nd, 23rd—Ember Days.

September 21st—St. Matthew's Day.

September 24th—Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

September 29th—St. Michael and All Angels.



Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

August 15th — Ray Wilbert Strong and Constance Josephine Gill.

August 15th—Melvin Harper Shriver and Mary Frances Pettit.

Burials

"Looking for the General Resurrection in the last day and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

August 2nd—Benjamin Gebhard.

August 2nd—Harry McAllister Wigglesworth.

August 8th—(Mrs.) Emma R. Thacher.

August 16th—Mrs. Jennie M. Swope.



During the month of July the services at Christ Church were in charge of the Rev. Philip S. Irwin, of the City Mission. The Rector returned the first of August and was on duty until the last of the month, when he left to attend the Brotherhood of St. Andrew Convention to be held in Seattle, Washington, and the General Convention to be held in Portland, Oregon. He expects to return to Germantown the last of September.



During the Rector's absence in September, the services at Christ Church will be in charge of the Rev. George Warrington Lamb, M.

D. It will be of interest to the members of Christ Church to know that the Rev. Dr. Lamb is a son of the Rev. James H. Lamb, D.D., who was a scholar in our Sunday School and a communicant of this parish during the time of the first rector of Christ Church, the Rev. Dr. Atkins. Dr. Lamb will be ready to respond to all calls for his services, during the Rector's absence, if word is left at the rectory.



The Seventieth Anniversary and the Thank Offering

This year marks the Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church, Germantown, and it seems most fitting that the passing of this mile stone, the proverbial three score and ten, should be so observed as to show in some concrete form the appreciation by the present members of the inheritance which has been handed down from the founders.

The founders builded wisely and well in their day, and how generously their successors followed their example in the day of disaster, when the Church building was destroyed in 1870, is evidenced by the present beautiful Church we now possess.

It is thought that everyone in anyway connected with or interested in Christ Church today is thankful for the inheritance they now enjoy, and, therefore, it has been proposed that a part of the Anniversary celebration be a Thank Offering, in which each person connected with or interested in the Church will no doubt desire to have a share.

To meet the wishes of our people to have a share in the Thank Offering, it is the intention to issue shares

of seventy cents (70 cents) each, each person subscribing for as many shares, from one share upwards, as they are able or feel interested.

Before the Thank Offering is presented at the Anniversary service each subscriber will receive an appropriate certificate bearing the name of the subscriber and the number of shares he or she has in the offering.

These certificates will be well worth preserving as a memento of the Anniversary, or may be framed as a reminder of our inheritance.

There will be a committee of solicitors who will receive subscriptions for the shares, and when our people stop and think quietly and realize how much the founders and rebuilders of Christ Church have done for us, and which we today enjoy, we are sure everyone will want to have a *share* in the Thank Offering.

And surely most of us will want to have a big share in such an undertaking.

U. G. R.



What can be more timely for all Americans today than this message from Lincoln?

"Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity, swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country, and never to tolerate their violation by others."

"Let Reverence for the Laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in the schools, in seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books, and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in the legislative halls, and enforced in the courts of justice.

Poor Children's Outing Fund

It is with grateful appreciation of the generosity of the members of Christ Church that the Rector acknowledges the receipt of \$239.24 for the Poor Children's Summer Outing Fund, of which the following letters, among others, will show how greatly the generosity of our people have been appreciated by those who received it:

The Children's Country Week Association,

August 1st 1922.

Dr. Charles Henry Arndt,
59 West Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Philadelphia.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

We acknowledge receipt of the gift to the work of The Children's Country Week Association from Christ Episcopal Church, of Germantown, and want to add just a line to assure you how grateful we are for your interest and support. Your contribution has made it possible for these little children to have a week's outing at one of our homes, where they have had the benefit, not only of fresh air and good food, but have enjoyed hiking, swimming and all the pleasures of camp life under the direction of trained counsellors whose sole duty it is to plan for the amusement of our little guests.

Should you wish to become acquainted with our work, we invite you to visit our homes which are open during the summer months, and you can then witness the happiness of these children.

Sincerely yours,

Laura Baker Miller Blithe,
Mrs. W. L. Blithe,
President.

The Bedford Street Mission,
619 Kater Street, Philadelphia.

August 10, 1922.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt,
59 W. Tulpehocken St.,
Germantown, Philadelphia.

Dear Mr. Arndt:

On behalf of the Bedford Street Mission, I want to express our appreciation of the interest you and your congregation have so long taken in our work and to specially thank you for your recent liberal contribution to our Summer work at Clementon.

Our Home there is open this year for both boys and girls and so far 110 boys and 170 girls have been there for one or more weeks enjoying a respite from the heat and dirt of the alleys and courts near our Mission.

The water supply for our own bathing pond has been diverted from our property, but our little ones are enjoying the use of a neighbor's lake very frequently.

Down on Kater Street, too, we are furnishing opportunity to many of our neighbors each day for the baths that they cannot get in their homes.

The Kindergarten children come each morning for play during the summer and their regular school will start again in the fall. A small Sewing School and Boys' Club are also part of our winter's schedule.

I know our Superintendent always appreciates the calls you make at the mission and we can assure all that the personal touch and interest as shown by visits either to our Mission or the Home at Clementon are real help as much as the financial aid with which so many friends of the "Little Folks" have favored us in the past.

We only hope we as managers may continue to merit their support.

On their behalf, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Edward L. Richie,
President.

The Protestant Episcopal City Mission,

August 9, 1922.

Rev. Charles H. Arndt, D.D.,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Dear Dr. Arndt:

We have received your notification that the splendid sum of \$100 is being sent from Christ Church, Germantown, as a special gift for the summer work of the City Mission, particularly among children. A fine gift for this purpose has been given regularly from your Parish for some years, but this is the largest yet and seems to go along with the fact that this kind of work is being more and more stressed as the years go by. The City Mission has sent many women and children to seashore and country homes and maintains the Lucas Cottage at Chestnut Hill for tubercular boys all through the year. Milk and ice have been served in generous quantities this summer; and the Flower Missions have supplied us weekly with flowers to be distributed in the hospitals.

Please thank your Parish, from those in immediate responsibility for the work of the City Mission. The whole Diocese has done splendidly this summer and made our burden comparatively light. With best wishes, I am,

Gratefully yours,

Wm. H. Jefferys,
Superintendent.

Woman's Auxiliary

The first meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held on Friday, September 22nd, at 2.30 P. M. As this is an important meeting it is urgently requested that as many members as possible be present, to discuss plans for the winter's work.

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Arthur Thatcher, on August 8th, Mrs. Thatcher was for very many years a devoted and faithful member of the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church—of her we can truly say:

"Blessed are the pure in heart."

It is asked that any one who has not already sent in her United Thank Offering, kindly do so, *at once*, to our Parish Treasurer, Mrs. H. O. Cannon. The offering will be presented on September 7th, at Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon, at the Triennial Corporate Communion of the Woman's Auxiliary.

May the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church press forward this Autumn with re-newed zeal, determined that by Prayer, deepest interest and unselfish devotion in sharing in this tremendous missionary work, we may be able to accomplish greater results than ever before.

L. M. R.



Christ Church Tennis Club

The Christ Church Tennis Club has been unusually active and prosperous during the past summer. The club membership is fifty-three active members, with prospects of more members. The two tennis courts have been in constant use the greater part of the season.

The tennis tournament is now in progress. The name of the winner will be announced in the next issue of the CHIMES.

It is proposed to hold a social gathering of the club in the gymnasium of the Parish House, at some date this fall, at which time a silver "loving cup" will be presented to the winner.

A full financial report of the club will be made by the treasurer and will be published in the next issue of the CHIMES.



The Lady in Kyoto

Do you remember how enthusiastic you were about that little Japanese story of Frances Little's, "The Lady of the Decoration"? There is something just as good, if not more so, from Miss Ambler, of Kyoto, in The Southern Churchman for April 1. Get it for its own sake (Richmond, Va., 10 cents), and for future reference put it in the Japan section of your missionary file. The Spirit of Missions for January, 1921, had an article by Miss Ambler with several pictures.

The Quarter at Church

"I am 25 cents. I'm too small to buy a quart of oil; I'm too small to buy one-half pound of candy; I'm too small to buy a ticket to a good movie show; I'm even too small to buy a box of undetectable rouge; but most people think I'm 'some money' when I come to church."—The Christian Register.

The sins of a repentant soul are removed by God as far as the east is from the west—as far as the worst is from the best.

CARRY ON!

By Robert W. Service

There are some who drift out in the
deserts of doubt,
And some who in brutishness wal-
low;
There are others, I know, who in
piety go,
Because of a Heaven to follow.
But to labor with zest, and to give of
your best,
For the sweetness and joy of the
giving;
To help folks along with a hand and
a song—
Why there's the real sunshine of
living.

And so in the strife of the battle of
life
It's easy to fight when you're win-
ning;
It's easy to slave and starve and be
brave
When the dawn of success is begin-
ning.
But the man who can meet despair
and defeat
With a cheer, there's the man of
God's choosing;
The man who can fight to Heaven's
own height
Is the man who can fight when he's
losing.

Carry on! Carry on!
Fight the good fight and true;
Believe in your mission, greet life
with a cheer;
There's big work to do and that's
why you are here.
Carry on! Carry on!
Let the world be the better for you;
And at last when you die, let this be
your cry:
Carry on, my soul! Carry on!
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You can bear the heavy burden
with a light heart if you put your
neck to the yoke that Jesus offers
you.

Through Clouded Glasses

"O Mother," cried a little lad
excitedly as he peered at the sun
through a bit of smoked glass, "how
big and round and wonderful it is!
Isn't it funny? It's been shining
upon me every day and yet I've
never really seen it before."

How like the sun is the love of
Good for his children! It shines
upon us every day, and yet many of
us never see it. Not until we are
called to view it through the clouded
eyes of trouble or sorrow do we
realize how big and full and beauti-
ful it is. Though it has illumined
our every pathway of doubt and
perplexity many of us forget that
we are living in its light. The tear-
dimmed eye is the eye that sees the
Father's love most quickly, and the
grief-filled heart is the readiest to
respond to its touch.

**Some Meditations**

Every unpopular truth is a chal-
lenge to heroes.

The heart of all good is the good
we hold in our hearts.

Righteousness is more than a
habit of regulating others.



No evil deed can wisely be con-
sidered well because it seems to end
well; sin is sin even when it appears
to bring happiness.



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tacles, neither are books like the
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Rector,

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D.D.

Vestry

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8
P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4
P. M.
Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church; "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

THIS YEAR, 1922, MARKS THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THIS PARISH. READ ANNOUNCEMENTS, IN THIS MONTH'S "CHIMES," OF THE COMING CELEBRATION, NOVEMBER 19 TO NOVEMBER 26.

Our Cover

The pictures, which appear on the cover of this issue of the CHIMES, are from an old wood-cut, showing the original church building, as it appeared before its destruction by a violent wind storm in 1878.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST CHURCH

The Seventieth Anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish will be observed during the week beginning Sunday, November 19.

This Anniversary will be an occasion for thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Giver of all good gifts, for the mercies and blessings that He has vouchsafed to this parish during the past three score years and ten. We have much to be thankful for, both as a parish and as individuals. We, who worship today in Christ Church, are enjoying the fruits of others' sowing. It is the result of the labors and sacrifices of others that the foundations of this parish were laid. It is the result of the labors and sacrifices of others that this beautiful Church was built. We, who today worship within these walls, have entered into an inheritance, rich in the memory of saintly lives, which have loved and labored and sacrificed that we, their followers, might "carry on" the work of God. "Other men labored and ye are entered into their labors."

Let us, my friends, thank God, on this Seventieth Anniversary, for the noble examples of faithfulness, of generosity, of consecration that

have been handed down to us as a precious legacy from the past.

May the example of the many faithful men and women of this parish who have been called to a higher service inspire us to carry on willingly and cheerfully the work so will begun and carried on by them. As they were faithful "laborers together with God," may we count it our chiefest duty and privilege to give our earnest prayers, our unceasing labors and our liberal gifts to the Church of Christ in which our loving Father has placed us.

Faithfully yours,
Charles Henry Arndt.



Re-Consecration Sunday November 26

The end and object of celebrating the Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church parish should not be, simply, to mark the completion of three score years and ten in its history. This celebration should have a deeper meaning and a more far-reaching significance than that.

This occasion should mean, to every member of the parish, a re-consecration of self, of soul and body, to a more complete personal surrender to the service of Jesus Christ and His Church. To the older members of the parish, not many years are left to work in His vineyard; even to the youngest, "the time is short." Let each one of us realize that "life is real and life is earnest." Let each of us realize the preciousness of time and the

rapid passing of opportunity, which God gives to every one. Let each of us, on this occasion of our Anniversary, solemnly consecrate himself anew to God and pledge himself to a more faithful, self-sacrificing service to Jesus Christ.

I am, therefore, appointing Sunday morning, November 26th, as a Re-Consecration Sunday for all members of this parish. I ask every member of Christ Church, solemnly to set aside that day, as a Day of Personal Re-Consecration and on that day to be present at the Celebration of the Holy Communion. I earnestly appeal to every indifferent member, who has allowed himself or herself, for whatsoever cause it may be, to stray away from the Church and to neglect the life-giving sacraments,—I earnestly appeal to every indifferent member of this parish to "recall to mind the solemn promise and vow you once made before God's altar, and I ask that on this Anniversary Sunday, this Sunday of Re-Consecration, you renew again your "solemn vow and promise," with earnest prayers to God that you may be more conscientious, more deeply consecrated in the faithful discharge of your Christian duty.

And those in the parish who have been ever loyal and true—and there are not a few—the Vestrymen, the workers in the parish Guild, the members of the Church School, the faithful attendants at the services of the Church, I ask you all to present yourselves before the altar on Sunday morning, November 26th, asking God to help you and to give you strength to do the work, which He has given you to do, to direct and guide you in all your endeavors and to keep you faithful, even unto the end.

A Prayer for the Parish

O Almighty and merciful God, who doth govern all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of thy servants and grant unto our Parish all things that are needful for its spiritual welfare. Strengthen and confirm the faithful (especially) visit and relieve the sick (especially) turn and soften the wicked (especially) arouse this careless and indifferent (especially) recover the fallen (especially) restore the penitent (especially) remove all hindrances to the advancement to Thy truth; and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of Thy Holy Church, to the honor and glory of Thy Blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



A Letter from a Member of the Anniversary Committee

This year marks the Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church, Germantown, and it seems most fitting that the passing of this mile stone, the proverbial three score and ten, should be so observed as to show in some concrete form the appreciation by the present members of the inheritance which has been handed down from the founders.

The founders builded wisely and well in their day, and how generously their successors followed their example in the day of disaster, when the Church building was destroyed in 1878, is evidenced by the present beautiful Church we now possess.

It is thought that everyone in anyway connected with or interested in Christ Church today is thankful for the inheritance they now enjoy, and, therefore, it has

been proposed that a part of the Anniversary celebration be a *Thank Offering*, in which each person connected with, or interested in, the Church will no doubt desire to have a share.

To meet the wishes of our people to have a share in the Thank Offering, it is the intention to issue shares of seventy cents (70 cents) each, each person subscribing for as many shares, from one share upwards, as he is able or feel interested. This offering will constitute to a "Music Fund" to be devoted to the improvement of the music of the Church. We are wondering if it will be large enough to install a much needed new organ in Christ Church.

Before the Thank Offering is presented at the Anniversary service each subscriber will receive an appropriate certificate bearing the name of the subscriber and the number of shares he or she has in the offering.

These certificates will be well worth preserving as a memento of the Anniversary, or may be framed as a reminder of our inheritance.

There will be a committee of solicitors who will receive subscriptions for the shares, and when our people stop and think quietly and realize how much the founders and rebuilders of Christ Church have done for us, and which we today enjoy, we are sure everyone will want to have a *share* in the Thank Offering.

And surely most of us will want to have a big share in such an undertaking.



All Saints' Day, November 1st

"Of all anniversaries that come and go in circling course of the Christian year, there is none, perhaps,

which comes so close to human hearts and yearning as that known and loved as "All Saints' Day."

Many festivals there are, which, like greater planets, shine resplendent in the heavens revolving more closely about the sun of Righteousness, reflecting and shedding abroad His glory. Such are the feasts of our Lord's Nativity. The resurrection, His ascension and the coming of the Holy Ghost. These glorious festivals must, indeed, command ever our homage and the world's observance. But this "Quiet Day" of the Church's Cycle, weaving the softened halo of autumn's mystic beauty, steals so peacefully into the sanctuary of the heart and fills it with an influence all its own.

For while, upon this day of hallowed memories we should and do recall the saints of all ages—"the glorious company of the Apostles, the goodly fellowship of the prophets, the noble army of Martyrs," enriching the church throughout all the world—yet who does not know that swiftly the vista shortens, the cycle narrows and full soon the heart is gathering about this day only its own dear absent ones, gazing, with fond and yearning on faces "we have loved long since and lost awhile."

Silently the mist-veiled gates of Paradise swing wide open today, and lo! we see them throng about us—those loved ones, dear; as they come, distance and time dispelled by sweet memory's wand. Each dear saint wears again a form endeared clothed in that immortal garb woven by each soul in its earthly journey, its own **enduring** loving personality.

"Angels and living saints and dead,
But one commission make;
All join in Christ, their vital head
And of His love partake"

How Long Shall I Give?

"Go break to the needy sweet charity's bread;
For giving is living," the angel said.
"And must I be giving again and again?"
My peevish and pitiless answer ran.
"Oh no," said the angel, piercing me through,
"Just give till the Master stops giving to you."



Service on All Saints' Day

The services on All Saint's Day will be as follows: Holy Communion 7.30; Holy Communion and Address 11.00 a. m. At the eleven o'clock service the names of person who have departed this life since last All Saints' Day, will be read from the Chancel. The flowers on the Altar will be in memory of the Blessed Dead. After the services the flowers will be sent to the sick.

Person who wish to give memorial flowers for "All Saints' Day" are requested to send the same to the Parish House not later than Tuesday noon, October 31st.



Program of Religious Services and Meetings During Anniversary Week

The religious services during "Anniversary Week," beginning Sunday, November 19th, and ending Sunday, November 26th, inclusive, will be as follows:

Sunday, November 19th

(a)—Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

(b)—Morning service, Historical Sermon by the Rector, 11.00 A. M.

(c)—Church School Anniversary Service. Presentation of School's Thank-Offering. Short addresses

by four clergymen of the Diocese, who were former boys in Christ Church School, 3.30 P. M.

(d)—Missionary service, 7.45 P. M.

Address by the Rt. Rev. Lucien Lee Kin Solving, D. D., Missionary of Brazil,

Every Day During the Week

Holy Communion with special intercessions, 9.30 A. M.; also, Wednesday and Friday, Holy Communion, Intercessions, 7.30 A. M.

Subjects for special Intercessions

Monday—On behalf of the parish: the Rector, the members of the Vestry, members of the parish societies, all other members of Christ Church.

Tuesday—On behalf of the Church Schools: the officers, the teachers, the scholars; for the fathers and mothers of the children of the parish; for all schools, colleges and institutions of learning.

Wednesday—On behalf of all confirmed and all "who profess and call themselves Christians;" for the faithful; for those who have become indifferent; for the weak, the erring; for those who have fallen away from Christ and His Church.

Thursday—On behalf of the sick; the sorrowing, those in tribulation, in need, in trouble; the lonely, the friendless, for those who are bearing heavy burdens.

Friday—On behalf of missions; for the Women's Auxiliary; for the missions and missionaries of the Church, at home and abroad; for social workers, and for all who are enlisted in the work of extending the Kingdom of God.

Saturday—On behalf of the Church; for unity, peace and concord among the nations; for unity

among Christians; for the spirit of Christ among all men, that "they may be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in the unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life."

Sunday, November 26th—Re-Consecration Sunday—Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M. Special prayers for all "who are living in Christ," both here and beyond the veil—all God's Saints whom He has knit together in One Communion and Fellowship, in the Mystical Body of His Son Christ our Lord."

Holy Communion and Sermon—Presentation of Thank Offering, 11.00 A. M.

Sermon by the Rev. Louis C. Washburn, D. D., Rector of Old Christ Church, Philadelphia.

Parish Guild Service—To be attended by members of all Societies of the Parish Guild, 7.45 P. M.

Address by the Honorable George Wharton Pepper, LL.D.



The week-day meetings to be held in the parish house during Anniversary Week will be as follows:

Men's Dinner—Tuesday evening, November 21st, at seven o'clock.

Toast-master — Col. Sheldon Potter. Speakers—The Honorable Roland S. Morris, late United States Ambassador to Japan; Reynolds D. Brown, Executive Secretary of the Diocese and others.

Parish Re-Union — for every member and attendant in Christ Church Parish—Friday evening, November 24th, from 8-10 o'clock.



Honorable George Wharton Pepper to Make an Address in Christ Church

On Sunday evening, November 19th, a service for members of all

societies of the Parish Guild will be held in Christ Church at 7.45. The special speaker on that occasion will be the Honorable George Wharton Pepper, LL.D., United States Senator from Pennsylvania. The front pews of the Church will be reserved for the members of the Parish Guild, who are requested to sit together in a body. The remaining pews in the Church will be free to the public. Mr. Pepper will have a message of vital importance to every Christian man and woman. All are invited to attend this service.



Services on Thanksgiving Day

The services in Christ Church on Thanksgiving Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.

Morning service and sermon, 11.00 A. M.

The offering on Thanksgiving Day will be, as usual, for the Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia.



The Anniversary Parish Reunion

A parish re-union will be held in the parish house on Friday evening, November 24th, from eight to ten o'clock. This re-union will be an occasion for every member of the parish, and for all who attend Christ Church, to meet together as members of one church family on the Seventieth Anniversary of our "Mother Parish." Every loyal, loving child would commemorate with respect, the seventieth birthday of an earthly parent. Surely, with, at least, equal respect and joy we should commemorate the birthday of our spiritual mother—the parish. Not only all present members of the parish are invited to this re-union, but all who

were formerly members of this parish, or who have been in the past, in any way connected with this Church, are cordially invited to the re-union. There will be music and light refreshments will be served. No formal invitations have been issued. A cordial welcome is extended to all.



The choir, under the direction of Mr. Owen J. N. Burness, are preparing special music for the services on the Sundays of "Anniversary Week." An increased appropriation for the music of the Church was made by the Vestry at the last meeting.

Mr. Burness has engaged several new "voices" and the congregation may expect superior music during the coming winter.



The furnaces in this Church have been thoroughly overhauled and repaired, at a considerable expense, and the Church is guaranteed by the contractor to be comfortably heated in the coldest weather.

There will, therefore, be no good cause for anyone being absent from Church on account of the cold weather, during the coming winter.



A New Organ Needed in Christ Church

One of the greatest needs of our parish is a new organ. The present organ, an unusually sweet toned instrument and well adapted for its day, is antiquated and wholly inadequate to the present. It has been in use in the Church for seventy years. It was formerly in the old Church building, which was destroyed in 1878. We need a new organ very badly. Who will give an organ? It

would be a most fitting memorial at this time. Who is willing to start a "New Organ Fund"?

The Rector will be pleased to hear from any who may be interested.



The Church School

Our school opened its regular sessions on September 24th, with 161 present or 12 more than on Rally Day of last year. We have not at hand the number present at the Men's Bible Class and the Women's Class.

We regret that eight of our teachers have had to give up their work on account of illness, moving away or "getting married" during the summer, as did Miss Dorothy Manser and also Mr. Howard Feist, and we wish them a long and happy married life.

We welcome, as new teachers, Mrs. Breeding, Miss Armstrong and Mr. and Mrs. Clausen; also Mrs. Wm. N. Johnson, who is helping us out temporarily.

We have added 20 new scholars since the school opened, among whom are two grandchildren of our former superintendent, Mr. George T. Morgan.

Over one half of our scholars have made up their arrears in the envelope offering due to being absent in the summer, but there are many that still have some envelopes to fill—we hope parents will help to have them all in by November 1st.

We will celebrate "The Seventieth Anniversary of Christ Church" by holding our special service in the Church on Sunday afternoon, November 19th, at 3.30. We will, at that time, present our anniversary offering and also bring our usual thanksgiving offering of can goods—vegetables and boxes of cereals

for the poor and needy families in our community. Last year we gave about 700 cans and packages of food. Let us try and make it 800 this year. Begin and save up for them now and if we each bring in only four cans we will have the 800 easily. We want the parents of every scholar at this service also. Remember the date, Sunday afternoon, November 19th, at 3.30 o'clock.

R. H. M.



The Pledge!

Boston, Mass.—In the weekly calendar of the Church of the Advent last week a parody written by the Rector, the Rev. William Harmon van Allen, S. T. D., D.D. Here is a poem that is timely for any church calendar:

NEXT SUNDAY IS PLEDGE DAY

"To pledge or not to pledge—that is the question:
Whether 'tis nobler in a man to gather
The Church's blessings free, and leave the others
To foot the bills and spread the gospel tidings
Or to take pen, to sign a pledge that's duplex
And share the cost. To write—to sign—to pledge—
To pledge—perchance to pay! Ay, there's the rub;
For in six months I may have lowered salary.
Stocks may have sunk, or bad investments swat me,
And then, besides, the increased cost of living
Must give me pause; then, too, there's the respect
I owe myself to run a costly motor;
The dues of clubs, the children off at college!

Why not content myself with casual giving
On pleasant Sundays when I journey churchward
And not commit myself to certain moneys?

WHY NOT? BECAUSE I DO NOT PROPOSE TO BE A SLACKER!"



The Woman's Auxiliary

At the first monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary which met in the parish house on September 29th, it was decided to change our schedule of meetings somewhat from that of last year, viz.—that the regular monthly business meeting will be held the 3rd Thursday in every month at 2.30 P. M. We shall hope to have speakers from the mission fields to talk to us from time to time during the year.

On the 4th Thursday we shall meet in the afternoon beginning at 12.30 to sew for missions. Last year owing to the renewed interest and help on the part of a number of the women of our parish, we were able to accomplish considerably more sewing than the previous year, but it is hoped that the work accomplished the ensuing year will greatly exceed even that of last year. This can only be done by the earnest and sincere co-operation of the women of Christ Church. Will you not bear these dates in mind and help us to make this a "banner year" for our branch of the Woman's Auxiliary?

L. W. R.



Girls' Friendly Society

The opening meeting was held October 3rd and presented a picture good to look at. The program for the winter was laid out under the

direction of the various committees appointed to take charge—as follows:

Officers—Chairman, Miss Edna Naegle; Treasurer, Miss Edith Johnson; Secretary, Miss Grace Gerhard.

Chairman, Committee on Devotions—Miss Georgiana Dean.

Chairman, Committee on Membership—Miss Alma Hagy.

Chairman, Committee on Entertainment—Miss Beatrice Sponer.

Chairman, Committee on Finance—Miss Sarah Clifton.

Miss Edith Johnson has arranged a basket ball team of which she is the captain.

The great work on hand now is the decorating and refurnishing the Girls' Friendly room under the able direction of Miss Edna Cave.

The girls have for a long time been planning ways and means for making a comfortable, cozy place for our meetings. The work is now begun and we hope to have many numbers added to our group this winter and we extend a hearty welcome to all girls over fourteen years of age to join our busy throng. Mrs. Mealy has become one of our associate members. We are soon to have our Neighborhood Conference and this year it will be held at St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill.

L. J. J.



The Mothers' Meeting

On October 10 our meetings were opened by attending a moving picture, and then repairing to an ice cream parlor. Our first meeting usually takes the form of some entertainment and then we settle down to work. We are working now to complete our donations to the Needle-Work Guild, but we are

also ready to fill orders for aprons, towels and rugs. Orders for these articles will be gratefully received. It is planned to have a rummage sale the middle of November, the proceeds of which will be used for the Anniversary Fund. Will the members of the congregation remember us when they are clearing out their closets and send us everything for which they have no further use?

H. F. A.



A Letter from the City Mission

The following letter is from the City Mission:

Phila., October 6th, 1922.

Rev. C. H. Arndt, D.D.,
Christ Church, Tulpehocken and
McCallum Sts., Germantown, Pa.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

Will you kindly make the following announcement to your parishioners or publish this letter in your Parish paper:

Dear Friend—Clothes are needed, old or new, for the poor men, women and children of every district in Philadelphia. Please remember us when you are in your storeroom this fall.

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In the thunder His voice is heard;
Then by a still, small voice
Cometh His gracious word.

As the loving Father of all,
He looketh from heaven above,
His "gentleness maketh us great,"
We know that "God is Love."

The Cult of The Adult

From the Council Address of the Rt. Rev. Chas. H. Brent, D.D.

We are calling this year "Children's Year." There has grown up in our Communion, without our conscious recognition, the Cult of the Adult. It has crippled us already, and unless it is abandoned, it will kill us. Disproportionate attention has been given to grown-ups, and the children have been granted a meagre second place. Few little ones even get the idea into their heads that the great services of the Church belong to them as much as to their seniors. The hasty Church school hour, with its brief and often slovenly service, is the crumb of religion which is all too often their portion. They should be taught that there is no separation in the mystical Body of Christ between young and old, and that however desirable it may be to have special services for the young, these are in no wise substitutes for the Liturgy of the Church, but a preparation for their intelligent appreciation of it.

Sunday by Sunday as I go from parish to parish it is seldom that I can recognize a family pew, seldom that I see a little head nestling to its mother's side. If we complain that our young folk find the golf course or the automobile more congenial on a summer morning than the church, it is in some measure due to the fact that the duty of worship has not been emphasized for the child and the meaning of its beauty and power has never been taught.

Even supposing the Cult of the Adult were in itself good, we have developed it badly. Let us unite in crushing it. Let us secure the co-operation of parents to restore in public worship the family group. Let the clergy work hard to make the service intelligible to the people, wings wherewith to carry worship upward to God, inspiration by which to become better followers of Christ.



Tomorrow

In the Land of Tomorrow, near the entrance-gate, two newly arrived spirits met, and looked each other in the face. One of them was a strong and

beautiful spirit, with shining garments, and a face full of clear light; but the other was little and pinched and gray, and she trembled and cowered as she went.

"What ails you," asked the first spirit, "that you cower thus?"

"I am afraid!" answered the second. "It is all so strange here: I have no home, no friends and I am alone and frightened."

"That is strange!" said the strong spirit. "I never felt so at home before. Everything is friendly to my eyes; the very trees are as if I had known them always."

"Let me hold your hand!" said the frightened one. "You seem so strong, and tread so freely, I shall perhaps not be so afraid if I am with you. I was a great lady on the earth. I lived in a fine house, and had servants to run and ride for me, and jewels and rich dresses, and everything that heart could desire; yet I had to leave them all in haste, and come alone to this strange place. It is very terrible! Was it so with you?"

"Nay," said the other; "I came willingly."

The frightened spirit clung to the other, and peered in her face.

"Tell me!" she cried. "Did we ever meet on the earth? Your face is not only friendly, it is familiar. It is as if I had seen you often, yet none of the noble ladies I knew had such strength and grace. Who were you, beautiful angel?"

"I was your washerwoman!" said the other.—From the Golden Windows.

LAURA E. RICHARDS.



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PARISH NOTES

Editor

THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.

THE CHIMES will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.

All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Rector at least TEN DAYS before the date of publication.

Rector

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

Vestry

James M. Woodroffe (1901), Rector's Warden.
Edward Bains (1914), Accounting Warden.
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D. (1893)
Francis B. Falkner, Secretary (1900)
O. N. Middleton (1903)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1915)
Thomas H. Carmichael, M. D. (1921)
Charles W. Sutcliffe, Jr. (1921)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the first Tuesday after Easter and on the first Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene Street

Chimemaster, Robert N. D. Arndt.

Verger, Philip F. Bolay, 6355 Jefferson Street

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies.

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and

third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.

Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.

Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-

iliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4

P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,

4 P. M.

Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Girls' Scouts—Friday, 7.30 P. M.

Vestment Guild—First Friday.

St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45

P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

The Rector's Notes

Rector's Office Hours { 8.00-9.00 a. m., Daily } At house Saturday Evenings
 { 6.00-7.00 p. m., Daily }

THE SUCCESSFUL ANNIVERSARY

The services held during the week of November 19th to 26th, in commemoration of the Seventieth Anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish, were, in every respect, a great success. The attendance at all the services was very large. At the concluding service on Sunday evening, November 26th, the Church was crowded to the fullest capacity. The music, specially selected and prepared under the direction of the Choirmaster, Mr. Owen J. W. Burness, was beautifully rendered, and reflected great credit on the choir.

The thank-offering, including a special gift, amounted to over \$2300.00.

The Rector wishes to express his grateful appreciation for the splendid co-operation of all parishioners who contributed in any way, to the success of the celebration.

The Rector and people of Christ Church are especially grateful to our guests on this occasion: The Rt. Rev. Lucien Lee Kinsolving, D. D., the Rev. Louis C. Washburn, D. D., the Rev. Norman Van P. Levis, D. D., Reynolds D. Brown, Esq., Mr. G. Frank Shelby, the Honorable Roland S. Morris and the Honorable George Wharton Pepper.

Looking back upon the eight days of the celebration of this anniversary, reviewing its methods of preparation, extending, as they did over many weeks, recalling the quiet services of special prayer, the daily Celebrations of the Holy Communion, which were attended by the faithful few, during Anniversary Week, it is not, at all, difficult to discover the source and cause of the hearty response on the part of our people, the large congregations at the services, the generous thank-offering that was presented on the altar and the uplifting, spiritual atmosphere which pervaded all the services.

The source and cause of the success

of this Anniversary Celebration was prayer. The whole movement was begun, continued and ended in the spirit of prayer; and God has blessed, as He will always bless, the efforts of His people, who undertake any good cause in His name, for His sake, in His spirit and power.

The people of this Parish should thank God that He has heard their prayers and blessed their efforts.

And let each one pray that God's Holy Spirit may enter the heart of every member of this Parish and give us all a deeper consecration and a more complete personal surrender to the service of Christ and His Church.

CHRISTMAS

The religious character of Christmas should not be lost sight of, but should be strongly emphasized. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctly a religious festival. The Day should, therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless as these may be in themselves, but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. It should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christian joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families with father, mother and children worshipping together in the House of God, "of sending portions to those for whom nothing is prepared;" of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of these. In other words, the religious observance of the Day must come first and be paramount in importance, or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger today that we, too, will deny Him room; that our hearts and minds, and the hearts and minds of the children

will be crowded full of the pleasures and occupations of the world and there will be found no room for Christ? Let each one, therefore, bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day and come into God's House and kneel before Him, and worship Him, Emmanuel, God with us.

LOVE—THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

What else should be in our thoughts at this most holy time, than the love of Christ? Of all the news that could be brought to us what so good as this, that unto us is born, as at this time, "a Saviour which is Christ the Lord?" God's love toward man, man's love toward God—this is the Christmas message, *Love, Love, Love!* "God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son." "If God so loved us, we ought to love one another."

At this Christmas season, this season of "Love," the apostle's command must be literally obeyed or else the spirit of Christmas cannot enter into our hearts:

"Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice; and be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God, for Christ's sake, hath forgiven you."

If this is the spirit, the "spirit of Jesus," that shall possess our hearts this Christmas time, then indeed it will be to all who possesseth it a happy, a truly happy Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there, as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! The wise men brought gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offering of their earthly substance, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our

loved ones; offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church; and offerings also of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who came to us on Christmas Day to be our Saviour and our King.

A GIFT TO THE POOR

In commemoration of the seventieth anniversary of the founding of Christ Church a gift of \$700.00 was presented to the parish by the family of the late John and Jane Davidson. This sum is to be invested by the Vestry of the Church, income of which is to be used for the relief of the poor of the parish.

This is a thoughtful and beautiful act, on the part of grateful children, inspired by the memory of Christian parents, who, during their lifetime, set examples to their families of self sacrificing service and generous acts of charity to the poor and needy.

Surely, in such a gift is fulfilled the meaning of the apostle's words: "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; for they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The Flowers that are placed on the altar from Sunday to Sunday are in memory of some dear one who has been called to Paradise. The Sunday nearest to the day of birth, or the day of death, is generally selected. Persons in the congregation who wish to place flowers on the altar in memory of a departed friend may apply to the Rector and he will be pleased to arrange with them for a definite "Memorial Sunday."

After the service the flowers are taken to the sick.

A great blessing comes to both the Church and those sick and shut-in, through the distribution of the flowers from the altar after the services. Nothing touches the hearts of those afflicted so much as to have some flowers that have been blessed with service on the altar. "And he gathers the prayers as he stands And they turn into flowers in his hands, Into garlands of purple and red, And beneath the great arch of the portal, Midst the streets of the City Immortal, Is wafted the fragrance they shed."

"Longfellow's *Sandalphon*."

PARISH NOTES

NEW PUBLISHER

FOR THE CHIMES

The publication of THE CHIMES has been changed. During the coming year THE CHIMES will be published by the Germantown Guide, an old, well-known and reliable establishment. Under the new publisher our readers may expect a neat and carefully published paper.

In this connection the announcement is made that the business management of THE CHIMES will be in charge of Mr. Frederick Lennig. Subscriptions to THE CHIMES begin with this number. The subscription price is fifty cents; sent by mail sixty cents. THE CHIMES should receive the support of every member of the Parish. Subscriptions and contributions may be sent to Mr. Frederick Lennig at his business address, 827 Spring Garden Street; telephone number, "Market 4042." Subscribe now! "*Bis dat qui cito dat!*"

Attention of our readers is called to the firms who advertise in THE CHIMES. They are a selected list and represent the best firms in their respective lines of business. The readers of THE CHIMES are recommended to patronize these firms and thus confer a mutual benefit. When you make your purchases, say to these firms, "We saw it in THE CHIMES."

A MEMORIAL PAINTING

IN CHRIST CHURCH

On Christmas Eve, before the Midnight Celebration of the Holy Communion, an oil painting, copy of Hoffman's celebrated picture, "Come unto Me," will be unveiled and consecrated by the Rector. The painting is a memorial to Mrs. Helen Butler Falkner, wife of Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D., late Rector of Christ Church, and is a gift of her children. The painting is by an Italian artist, of Philadelphia, Giovanni Scarinci, who has done much ecclesiastical painting in this city and in New York.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Services on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion 6.30, 7.30 a. m. Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and sermon at 11.00 o'clock.

The offering at all services on Christmas Day will be for our apportionment for the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

CONFIRMATION CLASS FORMING

Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church will be begun by the Rector after the holidays. Persons who are thinking of Confirmation are requested to give their names to the Rector. He may be seen in the Church after any service, or by appointment at the Rectory.

HOLY COMMUNION, AT

MIDNIGHT, CHRISTMAS EVE

On Sunday evening, December 24th, the usual Evening Prayer at 7.45 will be omitted and there will be a *Midnight Celebration of the Holy Communion* on that evening, Christmas Eve, beginning at 11.15 o'clock.

The Church will be open all evening for meditation and private devotion.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

CHRISTMAS EVE

The Christmas Carol Service of the Church Schools will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon, December 24th, at 3.30. The Schools will assemble in the Parish House at three o'clock and will march into the Church, carrying their banners and singing the processional Christmas carol.

The address to the School will be given by Mr. Arthur B. Vossler, lay reader in Christ Church and teacher of the Men's Bible Class. Mr. Vossler was formerly Educational Director of the Northern Province of Peru. He is now studying for Holy Orders under the direction of the faculty of the Divinity School in Philadelphia and expects to be ordained to the diaconate in the Spring.

CHURCH SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS

The Primary Department of the Church School will hold their Christmas tree entertainment in the Parish House on Holy Innocents Day, December 28th, at half past three o'clock.

The Upper School and Bible Classes will hold their Christmas Entertainment in the school room on the evening of the same day, at eight o'clock. Word has been received from headquarters that Santa Claus will surely be present at both entertainments.

A LETTER FROM THE
ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The committee appointed for directing the Thank-offering and the distribution of the shares wish to express their sincere appreciation for the loyal support they received.

The wish of the Committee was that the offering should be entirely a free-will expression of thankfulness, on the part of the members of the parish, for the blessings which they have received from Christ Church and their willingness to pass on these blessings to others. It was not desired that the offering should be, in any way, the result of a "drive," or have a resemblance of one.

The result has been most gratifying. The amount subscribed now runs over \$1600, with an additional \$725.00 for a special thank-offering, making a total of almost \$2400.

Substituting service for dollars and cents, it was, indeed, a wonderful, spontaneous response on the part of about 250 people.

Gratefully yours,

THE COMMITTEE

V. G. ROWLEY
FREDERICK LENNIG
RICHARD H. MORRIS
CHARLES H. JACKSON
JAMES CARMINT, JR.
MRS. T. P. ROBINSON
MRS. TOPLIFF JOHNSON

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. has been invited to form a basketball team to join the League which is composed of eight teams, playing every other Friday night in the Y. W. C. A. gymnasium.

Margaret Courtney is the captain of the Christ Church team and they play their first game against Calvary G. F. S. on Friday, December 8th.

The Christmas basket will be filled and stockings made ready to gladden some little hearts. This is the season when the G. F. S. finds abundant opportunity to carry out the teachings of its motto: "Bear ye one another's burdens."

The girls gave their services during Anniversary Week, first as waitresses at the men's dinner, and second to assist the hostesses at the Parish Reunion. They turned out in goodly numbers at the Sunday night service and are working now on

a Movie Benefit to raise money to carry on their work. This is a live crowd of girls—with expansion in their minds and a readiness to render service whenever possible.

L. J. J.

A LETTER FROM THE
ACCOUNTING WARDEN

The Accounting Warden has been frequently asked as to the method of meeting the obligations of the Church in the different assessments to the work of the Diocese outside of our own immediate Parish. We are asked to send for this work for the year 1922—\$3300. To date there has been received and sent about \$2200. The only way the members of the Parish can contribute towards this amount is by using the right-hand side of the duplex envelope. None of the offering in the left-hand side is used for this purpose, as the offerings placed therein are for Parish purposes only. It is therefore earnestly asked that a more general use of the *missionary side* of the envelope be made that the amount asked for from our Parish may be obtained, so that we can contribute our share in the great work of the Church in extending within our Diocese the message of the Gospel to those less fortunate than ourselves. As has been so often stated during the anniversary which we have just celebrated, we are enjoying the heritage left to us by the earnest and consecrated members of Christ Church in times past. Cannot we hope to leave a like heritage to others by our generous gifts towards the extension of the Church's work in the mission field, both at home and abroad?

There is another assessment other than the missionary assessment, made on each Church in the Diocese for the Episcopal and Convention Fund. This assessment on our Parish for the year 1922 is \$533.52. This amount must be paid each year. Otherwise we lose our standing as a Parish in the Diocese and are deprived of representation in the Diocesan Convention. The amount of this assessment is paid directly from the income of the Parish for general expenses and is distinct and separate from the amount asked for Diocesan missions.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.

DO YOUR SHARE IN THE SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH

There are recorded on the books of Christ Church three hundred and ten names of persons who subscribe through the envelope system. Most of these are faithful in keeping up their payments. This is a little less than *one-half* the number of communicants in the Parish. The other half give little or nothing to the support of the Church and its missions. This is unjust—unjust to the Church, unjust to those who are trying to do their duty, unjust to those who do not share in the responsibility and privilege of helping!

Now that the pews and sittings in Christ Church are all free and unassigned and the support of the Church and its philanthropies are dependent upon the voluntary offering of the worshippers, *every one*, surely, should recognize his or her personal responsibility and duty to share in this work and to give regularly, systematically and conscientiously as God has blessed each. There can be no better time to measure up to our Christian duty and privilege and to begin to do our full share in the way of Christian giving than now, at this Season of Advent. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules or be procured from the Verger. Let *each* member of *every* family fill out an individual card, subscribing something for parish support and something for missions. Place the card on the a'ins plate at any service and a package of envelopes will be sent to the name and address on the card.

These pledges being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or withdrawn at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is clipped from one of our exchanges. "Do you think that this Church fills a vital need in our community? If so, ought you not to help support it?"

"We all of us have our little excuses for not pledging. 'We will give regularly when we go to church, but not a regular pledge.' Yet we give regularly and systematically to our country in taxes, to our social organizations and to our own family for their needs. Do not these excuses place a light value on what the Church means to us; the Church perhaps which christened, confirmed or married us, which gives Christian education

to our children, and to which we may look in our last hour for its final care and blessing?"

"Can we stand aside and regard all these inestimable privileges simply as free social obligations, and yet enjoy all the blessings which the Church gives to us and our community?"

"Our aim is to have *everyone* pledging—not some giving *all*, but all giving *something*."

MR. FALKNER RESIGNS FROM THE VESTRY

Owing to his removal from the city, Mr. Francis B. Falkner, a life-long member of the parish, has resigned from the Vestry. His resignation was accepted with great regret and the following resolutions were offered and passed at the last meeting of the Vestry.

WHEREAS, at the meeting of the Vestry of Christ Church, on Tuesday evening, October 10th, 1922, Mr. Francis B. Falkner handed in his resignation as a member of the Vestry and, consequent'y, as Secretary of that body, to take effect November first next, and

WHEREAS Mr. Falkner has been a member of Christ Church Parish for forty-eight years, during which time he has been a member of the Vestry for twenty-two years and Secretary of that body for nineteen years, therefore be it

Resolved that the Vestry of this Church place on record their appreciation of Mr. Falkner and their deep regret at the severance of the ties which have bound him to us for so many years. As a boy in the Sunday School and, subsequently, as a teacher in that organization, he was one of the faithful, regular in his attendance and devoted to the work. As a member of the Parish he was always to be found in his place in the Church and was a notable example as a devout worshipper at most of the services. As a member of the Vestry he showed the same regularity in his attendance, quiet in his manner and impartial in his views, his counsel was always valued in the deliberations. As a Secretary he was invaluable. He was an authority on the By-Laws and Constitution of the Church, his minutes were clear and concise and represented the proceedings in all their details fully.

Courteous and friendly in his manner, he takes with him the good will and af-

fection of all his associates and his absence will be sincerely regretted by all.

J. M. WOODROFFE

CHAS. W. SUTCLIFFE, JR.
Committee

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

May I send this little notice for the December issue of THE CHIMES to remind the women of our Church that the business meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary is held the third Thursday in each month at 2 p. m., and that the "Sewing for Missions," the fourth Thursday, beginning at 2.30 p. m. We shall be glad to welcome anyone at either of these meetings, who is not now actively engaged in the work of the Auxiliary. It is our earnest desire to broaden and increase our Parish branch of this missionary work, and it can only be done by the united interest and loyal support on the part of every woman of our Church.

Two weeks ago, a woman in our Parish came to me and asked to be informed about the Auxiliary work; she said she knew nothing of it, whatsoever. After an hour's talk she willingly consented to do some sewing for missions at her own home—as she is unable to attend our monthly meetings on account of business). She said that she wanted to be identified with some special thing in the Church. The interest and enthusiasm which this person is now showing in our Auxiliary since that talk is most encouraging to us. I only wish that many other women of our Parish would hear the "Call for Service" also and help us in this wonderful work.

Our Apron, Cake and Candy Sale, held on December 2nd, at the Parish House, netted us about \$60.00. I would like to add a word of gratitude and thanks to the women of our Auxiliary who made this sale the success that it was.

L. M. ROBINSON.

MOTHERS' MEETINGS

The meetings on Tuesday afternoons are well attended and much work is being done. We are busy with our usual work of making aprons, towels and rag rugs, orders for which may be given to any members of the Meeting and will be much appreciated.

Our yearly contribution to the Needle Work Guild consisted of thirty-eight ar-

ticles—rompers, baby dresses, baby wrappers, children's petticoats, etc. To this was added a money contribution from a friend.

Mrs. James H. Eckersley and Mrs. Charles A. Thompson have very kindly consented to help in the work, so that with their assistance, and with the continued interest of Mrs. F. O. Pinkerton, we are looking forward to a winter of usefulness and pleasure. H. F. A.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild resumed its regular monthly business meetings on Monday evening, October 9th. We have been very busy during the past month arranging for All Saints, Anniversary and Thanksgiving Day Services. At the next meeting plans will be made for Christmas. We will meet at the Church on Saturday morning, December 23rd, at ten o'clock, to decorate.

The Serving Committees will be on duty as follows:

December 29th to January 5th: Misses Manser, E. Thompson, M. Thompson.

January 5th to January 12th: Misses Chase, Strein.

January 12th to January 19th: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Cooley, Mrs. Mogridge.

January 19th to January 26th: Misses Dean, Crowder.

GEORGEANNA F. DEARN.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR 1923

Persons who wish to purchase one or more Christ Church Calendars, showing a picture of the Church, the selected lessons for the year and the colors for the Church seasons, may apply to the Verger. They make an appropriate Christmas remembrance. A Church Calendar should be in every home in the Parish.

ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES

The Committee is issuing certificates, a very pretty souvenir of the Seventieth Anniversary to persons who subscribed for shares on that occasion. It is impossible for the Committee to reach everybody and those who subscribed and wish a certificate are requested to apply to Mr. Frederick Lennig, 316 High Street, Germantown.

BAPTISMS

"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

October 8—Jane Elizabeth Barthell.
October 15—Marian Mauser.
October 29—Mortimer Crane Love.
November 12—Isabel Margaret Kern-
aghan.
November 12—Edward Anderson Sief-
ken.
December 10—Jeanne Eleanor Ewing.

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together,
let no man put asunder."

September 30—Howard Needham Feist
and Jessie Minerva Hance.
October 21—Edmund Milton Hallowell
and Deretta Sands.
October 24—Thomas Whyte, Jr., and
Ezme Brownlow.
October 24—Frank Hilands McDonald
and Mildred Leigh Brownlow.
November 4—Thomas MacKellar Arm-
strong and Frieda Clara Miller.

BURIALS

"Looking for the General Resurrection
in the last day and the life of the world
to come, through our Lord Jesus
Christ."

November 1—Amos G. Moore.
November 20—Emma Louisa Vandegrift.
December 12—William Isaac Burkhart.

On Sunday evening, December 31st, the
last day of the year, the Church service
will be held at the usual hour, 7.45 o'clock.
The usual Midnight Service on New
Year's Eve will be omitted this year.

The Church will be open, however, all
evening until after midnight.

Persons are invited to come to the
Church on that evening for private
prayers and devotions.

BOY SCOUTS PLANT TREES

After their annual banquet held in the
Parish House, November 10th, Christ
Church Troop of the Boy Scouts planted
two sugar maple trees in front of the
Parish House on McCallum Street. This
is a very commendable act on the part of
the Boy Scouts and the example should
be followed by other societies in the
parish.

MUSIC ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The music in Christ Church on
Christmas Day will be as follows:

Processional, "Oh Come, All Ye Faith-
ful"; Venite, *Monk*; Glorias, *Savage*; Te
Deum in B flat, *John E. West*; Introit
Hymn, "It Came upon the Midnight
Clear"; Com. Ser. in E flat, *Scott-Hunt-
er*; Anthem, "Behold I Bring You Good
Tidings," *Goss*; Recessional, "Hark! The
Herald Angels Sing."

CHRISTMAS GREENS

Contributions for Christmas Greens to
decorate the church are solicited and may
be sent to Richard H. Morris.

The work of decorating the Church
for Christmas will be in charge of the
young men of the St. Christopher's
Guild.

Christmas occurs on Monday this year.
It will be necessary, therefore, to dec-
orate the Church before the fourth Sun-
day in Advent.

INSPIRATION OF AN
EVERY MEMBER CAMPAIGN

There is something inspiring in the
thought that on last Sunday afternoon,
from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the
Canadian border to the Gulf, a whole
army of Churchmen went out to call on
other Churchmen in order to enlist their
sympathy and their support for the
Church, locally and nationally.

Those who were invited to assist in
making the calls may rightly feel that
they are recognized as of the aristocracy
of the Church; those called to a position
of leadership and bound to recognize the
force of *Noblesse oblige*. Their work was
one of signal honor. They were the rep-
resentatives, the mouthpieces of the
Church.

And the public meetings that have been
held in so many cities in the same inter-
est help to mould the Church together
and assist all phases of Church work.

Altogether apart from the pledges of
money and of time that were made, the
systematic visitation of substantially the
whole membership of the Church in a
single afternoon is a magnificent thing to
attempt and a splendid thing to accom-
plish even measurably. Alas for the spir-
itual poverty of those congregations that
were unwilling to join in the general re-
sponse to the call made upon them by the
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CHRIST CHURCH

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CLERGY:

Rector, Rev Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00-7.00 p. m., Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

A LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Christ Church Rectory,
Lent 1923.

My Dear Friends:

Once again the call of Lent is sounding in our ears, bringing with it its message of unspeakable solemnity to every soul which will hearken. Lent succeeds Lent with a rapidity which almost startles us as the years fly by, and each one brings us nearer to the long ages of that eternity which is so very near to us,—so much nearer that we are yet able to realize.

Let us begin this Lent in the most earnest prayer to the Holy Spirit for His guidance and blessing upon what we are going to undertake. So much depends upon prayerful preparation. The great Sower will sow His seed now, as always, with the most liberal hand; but its fruitfulness will depend upon the preparation of the ground of the heart. Are we convinced that prayer is the one power which can command the graces of God, and that nothing good and lasting can be done without it? No matter if at the present moment you feel cold and lifeless, and disinclined for the necessary effort; it is prayer that will remedy this. Go to God and tell Him exactly how you feel. Put all your trust, not in yourself, but in what you know that He is able to give you. This very disinclination is often a sign that He means to do great things for you, and that He wants you to recognize that it is He Who has done it. Have you not found that the most blessed Lents in your past life have been those in which you have been most conscious of your weakness at

the beginning, but about which you have prayed very earnestly? Let us begin this Lent and continue and end it in the spirit of more earnest prayer.

There is something indescribable about this season of Lent, something which cannot be explained by the mere fact of the extra services and our own penitential discipline, something which I have recognized and wondered at and rejoiced in for very many years; it is like the touch of another world upon the darkness and worldliness of our present lives. It is a wilderness, but the wilderness has blossomed like the rose. It is often a hard and wearisome way, but there are visions of the Heavenly country. What can this mean but the "unction of the Holy One," and the magnet power of the cross? There is nothing more certain than this to all who have experienced this atmosphere of Lent. God is always near us, but then He makes His nearness felt, because He sees us really trying to draw near to Him.

But this drawing nigh unto God is not merely the effect of prayer; it is also brought about by strictness of life, and the voluntary acceptance of the cross. There can be no blessing upon a Lent in which self-discipline does not hold a very foremost place. The ordinary means are fasting and works of mortification; all earnest Churchmen will want to use these means, but, for those who cannot for reasons of health practise these, there must, at least, be a real renunciation of the world, and of the luxuries of life, however harmless in themselves. It is impossible to exaggerate the spiritual effect of this voluntary

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treading the way of the cross. Its influence is felt at once; the scales of worldliness drop from our eyes, the heavenly vision becomes clearer, the interior life is invigorated and new possibilities of holiness open out before the soul. Can we afford to throw away one of life's great opportunities for the sake of a little self-indulgence and personal ease? Has not long experience taught us that these have never brought us real happiness or satisfaction? God is the only true end and joy of the soul. When shall we learn this, and give ourselves up without reserve to seek Him? I pray that the hearts of the men and women—and the children, too—of Christ Church will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to make this Lenten Season an occasion of real sacrifice, of unselfish devotion, of a deepening of the spiritual life of the soul. This we can do only by using the Divine Means of Grace which our Saviour has bequeathed unto us,—fasting, prayer and Sacrament.

Affectionately, your friend and Rector,
CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS WHAT IS IT?

While the Chimes is going to press, an "Every Member Canvass," or as one of our members prefers to speak of it, an Every Member "Call" is being made throughout this parish. A similar canvass or "call" is being made, practically in every parish, in every diocese in the land. What does this canvass mean? What is its purpose? This canvass, which is being held throughout the length and breadth of the land is "a call," it is "a challenge" to every member of the Church to do his or her Christian duty. That is all. It is "a call" to every member, as distinct and as clear as the Master's call was to Andrew and Peter. This canvass or "call" is the outward and visible part of a spiritual movement.

This fact may be questioned by some, because the apparent object of the canvass is to raise money. Even though the money is to be used for the propagation of the Gospel and other high purposes, it would be more frank, some think, to

simply state the needs and the amount of money required to meet them.

The object of the canvass is not to raise money, but rather to raise the level of the regular giving of the members of the Church. A campaign for a fund has no permanent effect and involves no permanent change of heart. Temporary larger giving is likely only to do harm. It would be permanent only as it is the expression of more widespread and deeper interest and devotion. And such a change of heart in every member of the Church is distinctly a spiritual matter, and this is the primary aim.

There were some who argued that the canvass ought to be strictly spiritual and that no mention should be made of money at all. But the stirring of conscience and heart is almost surely injurious rather than beneficial unless an outlet be afforded for the concrete expression of the awakened spirit of sacrifice.

Now, then, if this canvass is, primarily a spiritual movement, dependent for success upon a spiritual change in the Church, its chief reliance must be, not in organization and methods, however essential these are in a campaign, but in faith and prayer.

If this is God's work, if the awakening of the Church to a fuller sense of its duty and privilege in prosecuting the Church's mission is what God desires, then the most powerful and essential factor in the problem is prayer.

Prayer, Christian prayer, is not merely asking for something. It is a power put into our hands through which we can enlist divine power for the furtherance of purposes in accord with God's will.

If all the members of the Church were to offer sincere prayers, publicly and privately, that God would give them the mind that was in Christ Jesus, a complete conception of their duty, a genuine missionary spirit, disposition to offer themselves literally as a living sacrifice, who could doubt the quick coming of a spiritual revolution in the Church? Who could doubt there would be an offering of men and means in such abundance as to make possible the rapid winning of the

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world to Christ and the right solving of all the problems of human darkness and misery.

There must be faith in God, faith in His promises, faith in the presence and help of Jesus Christ, Who promised to be with His Church unto the end of the world, faith in the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

If we had this simple faith, we would put aside our doubts and fears and enter cheerfully and bravely upon any high adventure to which the Church calls us. We would refuse to attach weight to considerations which make us fear that projects are impossible merely because they seem improbable from the standpoint of former experience.

Can it be that we are timid because we have not learned to put faith in anything higher than ourselves and human methods?

Why not take God at His word? Why not believe that God can wake up the indifferent, that God can convert the unfaithful, that God can make us appreciate the joy of making sacrifices for Him?

If we will only pray hard enough and work hard enough, success is not only probable, it is absolutely certain. This is not merely theory, it has been proved hundreds of times.

Only a praying Church can accomplish anything and to a church whose members are praying members nothing is impossible.

Not everyone can take an active part in the work, but everyone can pray.

Let every one, every one who is a member of this Parish, every one who considers himself to be a follower of the Master, let every one do his or her full duty—pray, labor and give, then God will bring the blessing.

"Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which He had given thee."

Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast promised Thy presence and power to all who obey Thy command to tell the nations of Thy love, bless we pray Thee our effort to strengthen and extend the work of our Parish. To all who shall take any part in our plans give wisdom and zeal. Bind our people in a closer fellowship. If any have grown careless, help us to lead them back to Thy house that their love for Thee may be renewed. Teach us to pray, labor and give more faithfully for the extension of Thy Kingdom among men. Of Thy mercy we ask this, O Blessed Saviour of the World, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

O Almighty and Eternal God; We humbly pray Thee for Thy holy Church throughout all the world; that we and all its members being inspired with living faith and love, may earnestly strive to promote the honor due to Thy dear Son, and the gathering of wanderers into His fold. Give us grace to fulfil in our lives what we profess with our lips. Deliver us from false doctrine and slackness of living; and grant that, persevering unto the end, we may obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Thou Great Searcher of all hearts, show Thy strength in my weakness, confirm me in my good purpose, and bind it with cords unto Thine Altar.

Give me strength to do what Thou requirest, and then require of me what Thou pleasest. Amen.

KALENDAR FOR LENT

February 14th—Ash Wednesday.
February 21st, 23rd, 24th—Ember Days
February 24th—St. Matthias.
February 25th—Second Sunday in Lent.
March 4th—Third Sunday in Lent.
March 11th—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
March 18th—Fifth (Passion) Sunday.
March 25th—Sixth (Palm) Sunday.
March 29th—Maundy Thursday (Confirmation).
March 30th—Good Friday.
March 31st—Easter Even.
April 1st—Easter Day.

SERVICES DURING LENT

(All Week Day Services and Meetings held in the Parish House)

ASH WEDNESDAY

HOLY Communion	7.30 a. m.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office, Address	11.00 a. m.

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Evening Prayer, Address 8 p. m.
MONDAYS,* WEDNESDAYS,
FRIDAYS
Evening Prayer and Address 4.45 p. m.
*Special Address to Young People
WEDNESDAYS
Litany and Holy Communion 9.30 a. m.
Confirmation Instruction 8 p. m.
FRIDAYS
Evening Prayer 7.45 p. m.
Illustrated Lectures on the Story
of the Church 8.15 p. m.
(See page 5.)

Note:—On account of the shortage of the coal supply, it will be necessary to hold all week day services in the Parish House, during this Lenten Season. The room in the Parish House, formerly occupied by the Primary Department, has been fitted up for a chapel and will be found well adapted for the purpose. The entrance to the "Chapel" will be through the south entrance door of the Parish House.

A Course of Six Illustrated Lectures on "THE STORY OF THE CHURCH"

will be given by
The Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, D. D.
on the
FRIDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT
in the Parish House at 8.00 P. M.
Feb. 16—The First Three Centuries.
Feb. 23—The Triumph of Christianity.
March 2—The Rise of Papacy.
March 9—The Holy Roman Empire.
March 16—The Papacy at its Height.
March 23—The Protestant Reformation.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTION

The Rector is organizing the annual Confirmation Class. Instruction on Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church begin on Sunday afternoon, February 4th, at four o'clock (for minors) and on Ash Wednesday evening, February 14th, at eight o'clock (for adults).

The classes will be held in the Parish House, and all, both confirmed and unconfirmed, are invited to attend.

THE REV. DR. CALEY'S LECTURES

Every one who had the privilege of attending the course of lectures given in this Parish last Lent by the Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, D. D., will be glad to learn that he has consented to give another course of illustrated lectures this Lent in our Parish House. The subject of these illustrated lectures as announced in another column of this issue of the "Chimes," will be "The Story of the Church."

The lectures will be given every Friday Evening in Lent (Good Friday excepted) beginning, Friday February 16. Shortened form of Evening Prayer will be held in the Parish House Chapel, beginning promptly at 7.45. The lecture, which will be given in the Gymnasium, will follow immediately after this service, which all are invited to attend.

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Every one should know about the great missionary work that is being done by our Church in this city and in this diocese of Pennsylvania. Clergymen, who are in charge of the various institutions in this city,—viz. the "Seamen's Mission," the "Farm School for Boys," "Work Among the Pioneers," "Work Among the Foreign Born," "Work Among the Jews," have agreed to come to Christ Church Sunday evenings in Lent and tell our people of their experience in these important departments of the Church's missionary work in this diocese. No one should miss this opportunity. Everyone should **Know Your Own Diocese**. For further details see page 5 of this issue.

A LETTER FROM THE WARDEN

The accounting warden is glad to report that, owing to the generous response to the appeal of the Rector at Christmas time, Christ Church for the first time in its history joins those churches in the Diocese who have fully met their missionary apportionment for 1922. The amount asked was \$3301.97. The amount remitted was \$3,417.12.

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Sunday Evenings in Lent. Addresses by
Special Speakers.

A course of unusually interesting and instructive addresses will be given in Christ Church, on Sunday evenings in Lent on the general subject, "the Missionary Work that is being done in this diocese of Pennsylvania," which includes the city of Philadelphia and near lying districts. Our Church is doing a great missionary work in this diocese, which a large majority of church people know nothing about. The work is so great and comprehensive in its scope that it is impossible to include it all within the Sunday evenings in Lent. The Rector has selected five departments of this great work and has invited the clergy, who have charge of these departments of diocesan work to come and tell us something of what is being done in their respective fields. This course will be of unusual interest to every member of the Church and will afford every one an opportunity to learn something of the great work the Church is doing in the city of Philadelphia and vicinity. The course will begin on the first Sunday evening in Lent, February 18th. Attend the entire course. Resolve, this Lent, to begin to **Know Your Own Diocese**.

Sunday, February 18th, "Church Work Stockman, Chaplain Seamen's Mission. Among Seamen," the Rev. Percy R.

Sunday, February 25th "Church Work Among Boys," the Rev. Charles W. Shreiner. In charge "Church Farm School for Boys."

Sunday, March 4th, "Church Work Among the Prisoners." Rev. Alfred M. Smith. City Mission Staff.

Sunday, March 11th, "Church Work Among the Foreign Born." The Rev. Elliot White, Archdeacon of Work Among the Foreign Born.

Sunday, March 18th, "Church Work Among the Jews." Rev. J. L. Zacher, Rector Jewish Christian Synagogue, Philadelphia.

The above apportionment has however been largely increased for the year 1923. To maintain only the present work of the church, we are asked to send \$4,900. If the full forward program of the Church as decided upon at the convention held in Portland, Ore., last September is to be fully carried out, \$3,200 more would be required, or \$8,100 in all. While this amount seems large, the best efforts of the Parish should be exerted that the work of the Church should be supported. As the results of the past year were realized by offerings from only about 25% of the registered members of the Parish, how much greater results could be attained if each and every member's contributions may be furnished.

January 22, 1923. Edward Bains
Accounting Warden

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The next regular business monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House on Thursday, February 15, at 2 o'clock.

During Lent, as is customary, we will sew for Missions every Thursday afternoon, beginning at 12.30. The reason for beginning at this hour is to make it possible for everyone interested to come for at least part of the afternoon if they cannot give the full time.

We earnestly trust that many of the women of our Parish will take an especial interest in this work during this Lenten Season in order that we may be able to succeed in accomplishing our "quota" of sewing. At present we are very much in arrears with the work.

Perhaps there are some persons in Christ Church who would be willing to knit a sweater to send to the mission fields, if so, will you kindly give your name to the writer so that wool and instructions may be furnished you.

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MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

With the advent of 1923 the Men's Bible Class started off with a new line of officers consisting of Herbert A. Feist, President; Robert Carmint, Vice President; John M. Boynton, Secretary; Gerald R. Morse, Treasurer and James Carmint, Jr. Frederick Lennig, Dr. J. C. Courtney and Charles H. Jackson, members of the Executive Committee. It is too early to make any detailed statement as to the plans for the year but with the next issue of the "Chimes" more definite information will be at hand.

One item of interest may be mentioned, namely, that Mr. Lennig has been appointed chairman of the Attendance Committee and when he gets on the trail of some man who is not a member of the Class, or who is not regular in attendance, the defendant needs a very strong alibi before he goes free.

Without boasting and with due respect for the responsibility incurred, it may be said that few, if any, classes in our city have a Leader equal to the man who is Sunday by Sunday bringing home some valuable lesson to the men of our Class, Mr. Arthur B. Vossler, who is also Lay Reader in Christ Church and preparing for the Ministry, is a teacher by profession and spent several years in South America reorganizing the public school system of Peru.

A very interesting and instructive course of study was begun on Advent Sunday when the "Collects of the Church Year," were taken up. Since then the Collect for each Sunday has been discussed by Mr. Vossler in a masterly manner and with much benefit to the men who have been fortunate enough to be present. With the season of Lent upon us many men in our Parish could make the Men's Class an opportunity for closer study of the lessons the Church would have us learn and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of the privilege.

The Class meets in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 9.45 and a cordial invitation is extended to all men in this community to identify themselves with it.

C. H. J.

A MISSION FAIR

The Church School will hold a Fair and Entertainment on Friday, February 9th from 4 until 10 P. M., in the Parish House.

There will be booths for cake and candy, ice cream and other eats, also there will be a fancy work booth, so you can buy your presents for next Christmas, a fish pond and a Fortune teller. At 7.30 a baby Parade and show by the Primary Department. At 8 o'clock a Japanese dance; 9 o'clock a Minstrel Show; 9.30 a dance for all in the gymnasium.

The receipts are to help the School's fund for Mission Work.

We invite and want every parent and friend of the school to come.

Remember the date; Friday, February 9th from 4 until 10 P. M.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

A report of the School for 1922 was made to the vestry and also to the school on the first Sunday of January, so that parents of each scholar may see what we have done, its report follows:

Offerings;

Missions (1st Sunday in month)	\$171.09
(\$6.00 more than 1921 and twice that of 1919)	
General Fund given to Church (\$27.00 more than 1921 and twice that of 1919).	603.70
Lenten Mite Boxes (1921 was \$253.74).	275.00
For country week, Near East Relief etc. (approximately)	150.00

Total \$1,200.00

The average attendance during the year 164

New members received during the year 62

Number on roll, Jan 1st 1923. 240.

The number on roll is about 15 less than a year ago but we have dropped those who have been very irregular and will hereafter count them as "visitors" until they show their interest in the

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school by coming regularly. This has been done at the request of both teachers and scholars, who take pride in having a "Star Class," that is every member present.

The record of "Star Classes for the year is;

No. 1 Miss Johnson's class 14 times

No. 2. Mr. Parker's class 14 times

No. 3. Mrs. Johnson's class 9 times

Many other classes were "Star" several times.

Our Christmas Entertainment was better than ever before because nearly every member took part; each class providing some feature of entertainment. Six Judges were appointed and a prize was awarded to the boys class and to the girls class who did best. Mr. Clausen's class of boys and Mrs. Clausen's class of girls walked off with the prizes, but the Judges gave "Honorable Mention" to each class. We are going to repeat this kind of an entertainment again and several classes have given notice already that "next time the prize is ours." For 1923 we are going to all work together so that the school "Day by day in every way will be growing better and better."

R. H. M.

VESTRY MEETING

At the regular meeting of the vestry held on January 7th, the following minute was adopted, "That the Secretary be instructed to prepare a report of the actions taken at each meeting and the same to be printed in the Christ Church Chimes."

The Finance Committee reported that the accounts of the warden up to June 22nd 1922 had been audited and found correct.

The chairman of the Missionary committee reported plans were unnecessary for a campaign before Lent.

The Property Committee reported that the improved heating system in the church was very satisfactory.

Voted:—That hereafter the fiscal year of the church (now from June 1st to June 1st) be changed to correspond with the Calendar year.

Voted—That inasmuch as announcements had been made that the Christmas offering would be for both the "Clergy Pension Fund," and for our "Missionary Appointment," that one half of the offering be given to each object.

Voted:—To appropriate a sum not to exceed \$200 to provide chairs for the Sunday School room.

Voted:—To adopt the following Budget for 1923:

Estimated Receipts	
From Envelopes	\$5,000.00
From Plate offerings	700.00
From Pledges (in lieu of pew rents)	1,200.00
From Jefferies Endowment fund	1,800.00
From Miscellaneous sources	500.00
From Sunday School	600.00
Total	\$9,800.00
Estimated Disbursements	
For salaries (clergy and verger)	\$4,900.00
For Choir and chimes	2,100.00
For Taxes water rent and insurance	460.00
For Fuel and lights	1,000.00
For Repairs to property	500.00
For Clergy Pension Fund	315.00
For Episcopal and convention Fund	533.00
For Sunday School	600.00
For Miscellaneous expenses	600.00
Total	\$11,008.00
Estimated Deficit	\$1,200.00

THE MOTHER'S MEETING

The Christmas dinner was given for the Mothers' Meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Before proceeding to the gymnasium, which had been converted into a dining room, we assembled in our regular meeting room where we sung a few hymns, and where the directresses were presented by the members with beautiful scarfs, which were greatly appreciated by the recipients.

A line of march was formed and we entered the dining room singing, "On-

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ward Christian Soldiers."

A delicious dinner was served by the ladies, after which poems and selections were read by different members of the meeting. And then we had a "trick man," who performed most interesting feats of converting money out of thin air and many other incomprehensible tricks.

Mr. Arndt made a few remarks in which he called attention to our loss, through death, of two of our members, Mrs. Frederick Carter and Mrs. Henrietta Straub. Mrs. Carter on account of ill health had not been able to be with us very regularly for the past year or two, but it was very seldom that Mrs. Straub was not with us, and we shall miss her greatly.

H. F. A.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. of Christ Church is nearing the end of its work laid out last fall and are now making their plans for their Lenten work which this year will be for Deaconess Lucy Nelson Carter's work at St. Mary's Mission (Indian) at Nixon, Nevada.

These fore-going months we have worked and played, we have earned money to fit up our room in the Parish House, to do our part toward the Social Service work we have found to do in our midst and we will end our pleasures with a Valentine Dance, Tuesday, February the 13th in the Parish House.

Six new members joined our happy little band January 23rd. Nine members will receive membership pins at the initiation service Sunday, January 28th. A senior membership branch will be started with four members of five years standing. A movement is on foot to form a candidate's class for girls under the age of 14, the age required for admission to the Girls' Friendly Society.

This is "a consummation devoutly to be wished for." There should be an organization of these younger girls to stand as a feeder for the G. F. S. as its members grow into a Senior Branch. The Basketball Team is doing good

work and should be called "The Good Sports Team," for they are all new at it and yet they forge ahead never flinching, no matter how experienced a team they are put up against.

They have a wonderful inspiration in their trainer, Mrs. Schock, who is in for high standards and good honest work—looking to each defeat as a great experience toward better work for the next game.

L. J. J.

LONG DISTANT RADIO RECEIVING

The Men's Bible Class of Christ Church are planning to have Mr. Roy Baker, of Station WNAT give a practical talk on Long Distance Radio Receiving.

The talk will be illustrated by black-board sketches and parts. All men and boys are invited. The talk will be given on 15th of March. Those desiring to attend this very interesting talk will please send their name to Mr. Herbert Feist, 326 Walnut St., so that provision can be made for your accommodation.

A WORD TO PARENTS

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given by the Rector in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with the children to these Instructions.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you;

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

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"Is it nothing to you,



all ye that pass by?"

SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday Evening

Cantata, "The Cross of Christ"

7.45 p. m.

Confirmation and address

by the Rt. Rev. Thomas

J. Garand, D. D.

7.45 p. m.

Monday

Holy Communion9.30 a. m.

Service and Address4.45 p. m.

Tuesday

Holy Communion9.30 a. m.

Service and Address4.45 p. m.

Wednesday

Holy Communion

Address9.30 a. m.

Service and Address4.45 p. m.

Litany and Address8 p. m.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion9.30 a. m.

Service and Address4.45 p. m.

All services during Holy Week will be held in the Church.

Good Friday

Penitential Office, Pro Ana-

phora, Address10.30 a. m.

Three Hour Meditation on

the Seven Words from

the Cross12m., 3 p. m.

Conducted by Rev. Samuel B. Booth

Easter Even

Evening Prayer, Baptism . .4.45 p. m.

Easter Day

Holy Communion . .6.30, 7.30 p. m.

Morning Prayer, Holy Com-

munion, Sermon11.00 a. m.

Church School Carol Serv-

ice and Pageant7.30 p. m.

"How the Light Came."

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Rector, Rev Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00-7.00 p. m., Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

O LORD! HEAR MY PRAYER!

O Lord Jesus, keep me ever near Thy side in these closing days of Thy fasting, of Thy Passion and of Thy Death!

O Lord Jesus, give me of Thy Holy Spirit, that, following Thee to the Cross, I may learn of Thee how to live, how to suffer and how to die!

O Lord Jesus, bring back again to Thy fold those who have strayed away (especially.....) and make them truly Thine!

And those who know not Thee—O Lord Jesus, give me a deep sense of my duty to them, that by my sacrifice, by my life, by my A.L. I may be an instrument in Thy hand of spreading Thy Kingdom upon earth, Thy peace and goodwill among men! Amen! Amen!

"IS IT NOTHING TO YOU, ALL YE THAT PASS BY?"

The Forty Days are drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and we now enter Holy Week—into the mystery of the awful Passion of our Lord.

With bowed head we contemplate the Cross, rising out of the sacred hill of Calvary, and on the Cross we behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Lamb of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world."

"Indeed," says a devout writer, "one scarcely ventures to write upon so sacred a subject. Christ's members should strive silently to realize it for themselves, following our Blessed Lord in thought and prayer through the scenes of His suffering and death."

Let each one of us, during this Holy Week which now draws near, this "Week of Stillness"—let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty,

trifling schemes, its vanities, and let us contemplate in wonder, awe and reverence the closing scenes of our Lord's earthly life, from the triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly wended His way along the "via Dolorosa," passing through the gates of the city which rejected Him, up the Mount of Calvary, to the Cross.

At the daily Celebration of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints, in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated in Christ Church every morning fr Palm Sunday morning until Maundy Thursday, inclusive. The Service will be at half past nine o'clock.

"Daily Meditations" will be held during Holy Week on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 4.45 o'clock.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday in the Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon. This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential office, Pro-Anaphora and address.

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's sufferings for the sins of the world—where else would one want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation, in Intercession and in Prayer? Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization

of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting in humiliation and in prayer!

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood Upbears the dying Son of God, Today my only thought shall be: He died thereon for love of me!"

EASTER COMMUNION

As these solemn days of Lent draw slowly to their close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations in His sufferings and at the Cross, will be preparing and will be yearning to be with Him on the happy Resurrection morn in the joy of the Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of Festivals," and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion. Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies, our "holy thanksgiving." In the words of the prayer of Consecration, in the Communion office, "having in remembrance His blessed Passion and precious Death His 'Mighty Resurrection' and glorious Ascension," we render unto God our most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same." If then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord we may truly share, at the Holy Eucharist, on Easter Day, the joys of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our risen Lord and unite together with all God's saints in "one holy communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son Christ our Lord," and "with angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven" join in the beatific praise, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty." This is the communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened to him"; and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's Saints who draw near unto Him in spirit on this great Day of the Lord—The Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

EASTER GREETINGS!

A Happy Easter, full of grace and peace and joy to every Christian heart! Out of the shadows of Good Friday the Easter light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with radiant hope.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back from the brightness of Easter morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see that that darkness was the precursor of the dawn.

What a difference it would make in every life if we would see more clearly in the light of Easter Day the meaning of the dark days, our failures, the tragedies of life! God grant that on this Easter Day we may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, is to those who trust and live in Christ, but the herald of new light and hope and joy. Let us rejoice, then, as we look into the future. "He is not here, He is risen!" Let us weave this truth, this blessed truth, into our lives! Let it give courage and hope to the discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every heart; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection, and the Life. Whoso believeth in me, though He were dead, yet shall he live, and whoso so liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our offering, on Easter Day, should be an expression of our love and our loyalty to Jesus Christ. It should represent sacrifice! An Easter offering, in any other spirit, is "a mere mockery," a mere travesty, of the Easter Spirit.

Whilst I am interested in and hope that the full amount asked by the Vestry from the congregation may be, as it should be, fully realized, I am not primarily interested in the amount. I am more interested that there shall be, in every member of our parish, the true spirit of Christian giving; that each gift may be the expression of true devotion to Christ and His Church. And no gift can be called "a religious offering" that does not represent this spirit—the spirit of the love and sacrifice!

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver be

very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and acceptable to God than the offerings of the rich.

But my observation and experience during a long ministry, has convinced me that the small coin in the offering is not given, as a rule, by the poor. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldling. And such giving, I repeat, represents, in no sense, Christian giving; it is not a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services in no sense "a collection." The word "collection," in reference to giving in Church, should never be used. It is an offering, an offering to God, and as such is an essential part of worship; and the rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that the "devotions of the people shall be brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it (to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

David of old said, "I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing." And surely if David realized the meaning and the significance of an "offering unto the Lord," no follower of Jesus Christ can be said to have any real part in the solemn and serious worship of God, who lightly "offers unto the Lord that which costs him nothing."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of love. And how much love is there in the person, how much joy can come to any person—who puts on the plate on Easter Morning, "that which costs him nothing?" "Freely have ye received, freely give."

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Following the custom of past years the flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will be memorials to the Blessed Dead. The Altar Guild requests that all persons who desire to remember their departed friends by memorial flowers will please send their contributions as soon as possible, either to the Rector or to Miss Elizabeth L. Chase, 152 E. Washington Lane. The members of the Guild will personally select the flowers and will see that each contribution is represented by an appropriate memorial. Persons who desire to make their own selections of blooming

plants or flowers are requested to have them at the Parish House on Friday or early on Saturday morning, so that they may be arranged in the chancel before the Saturday afternoon service.

These flowers are sent to the sick in their homes or in hospitals after the Easter services.

All are invited to send contributions to the Easter Memorial, either in money or flowers, and any contribution, however small will be gratefully received.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., will administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, March 29th. The Confirmation Service will be held at 7.45 o'clock.

CANTATA "THE CROSS OF CHRIST" To Be Sung in Christ Church Palm Sunday Evening

On Palm Sunday Evening, March 25th. The choir will sing the Lenten Cantata, "The Cross of Christ," by Thomas Adams, Assisted by Miss May R. Lane, soprano; H. C. Eismann, tenor; John W. Whitworth, baritone; Henry L. Booth. Mr. Booth is Bass Soloist of St. Martin's in the Fields. The other soloists are members of the Choir of Christ Church, Germantown.

THREE-HOUR SERVICE ON GOOD FRIDAY

The Three-Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross will be conducted by the Rev. Samuel B. Booth.

Every one who possibly can do so should attend this wonderfully helpful service.

It is requested that persons be in the Church before the noon hour and all, who can, are asked to remain during the entire three hours of this solemn service. Persons entering or leaving the Church during the service are requested to do so during the singing of the hymns.

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

Holy Communion . . . 6.30, 7.30 a. m.
Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon . . . 11.00 a. m.
Church Schools' Easter Carol
Service and Pageant . . . 7.30 p. m.
Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week,
Holy Communion, 9.30 A. M.

AN EASTER PAGEANT

Entitled, "How the Light Came"

A very interesting and instructive pageant will be presented by members of the Church School on Easter Sunday evening in the church.

The pageant opens by depicting the call of the various nations for that phase of the Church's work which has been so much emphasized in the Sunday School during the past few months—i. e. Missions.

It portrays, too, in a most interesting manner, the story of the Apostles, gathered together in the upper room at Jerusalem, just after the Resurrection.

These two parts of the pageant are woven together so as to reveal the full meaning of missions, with the culmination of the children's presentation of their Lenten mite box offering.

Not only the parents of the Sunday School scholars, but everyone will feel the appeal of the story of the pageant.

Among those taking part in the pageant, will be Sarah Clifton, as Mother Church; and Martha McHenry, Mary Johnston, Susan Hardin, Alberta Wright, Margaret Robinson, Helen Jackson, Edward Wilcox, James Carmint, Alfred Ritterhouse, Samuel Baxter and others, as pilgrims from the various countries. Robert Arndt, Norton Johnson, Richard Hegue, Richard Sutcliffe, Karl Mostellar, Albert Rayner, Allen Fernier, Charles Bushenhourst will impersonate the A. M. M. C.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

The Annual Election of Vestrymen of this Parish will be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 2nd between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M.

The terms of the following members of the Vestry expire this year:

Edwin Potter, William R. Pugh, William N. Johnson.

The following excerpt is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-law, Article 1, Section 8. "Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestryman one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the Secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the south-

east vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election, and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate."

(Charter of Incorporation, Article 6.)

"The Vestry of said Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereof. Such election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year, between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide, and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of this Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of at least two years next preceding any such election, annual subscription of not less than ten dollars each, or the like sum in annual rental of pew or sitting for the same period."

MUSIC FOR EASTER DAY

Processional, "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Christ our Passover Chappel
Glorias in Bb. Walters
Te Deum in G. Mosenthal
Kyrie in Eb. Stainer
Gloria Tibi in C. Tours
Hymn, "The Strife is O'er, the Battle done."

Anthem, "God Hath Appointed a day." Tours
Sursum Corda in C. Tours
Sanctus in F. Gounod
Benedictus, "Qui Venit" Gounod
Agnus Dei Tours
Gloria in Excelsis Tours
Retrocessional, "Jesus Lives!"

NOON-DAY SERVICES IN GERMAN-TOWN DURING HOLY WEEK

Noon Day Lenten Services under the auspices of the Germantown Churches will be held during Holy Week at the Germantown Theatre from 12.25 to 12.55, as follows:

Monday, March 26th—Dr. Floyd W. Tompkins, Holy Trinity P. E.
Tuesday, March 27th—Dr. J. E. Crowder Arch St. M. E. Church
Wednesday, March 28th—Dr. John H. Day, Memorial Baptist Church
Thursday, March 29th—Dr. Edw. Heyl Delk, St. Matthew Lutheran

Friday, March 30th—Dr. Louis Seymour Mudge, Stated Clerk Presbyterian Church
Music by Dr. Lower.

CHURCH SCHOOL NOTES

(1.) Our "Mission Fair" was held on Feb. 11th and was a great success. There was ice cream from Alaska, fancy work from Japan and China, novelties from Porto Rico, cabbage patch, fish pond, etc., all of which were sold out. Then there was an imported "Fortune Teller," who had a long line of "Patients" waiting all the evening.

Then upstairs we had a "Minstrel Show" and a "Baby Parade" (by the Primary Dept.) both of which played to crowded houses. We cleared \$229.18 which is the nest egg of our Lenten Mite box Mission Fund.

(2) Speaking of Missions, every member of our church who reads this and who is going to buy some candy to eat after Lent is over (as of course no one would eat candy in Lent) should buy the same from any of our scholars. We have 80 salesmen (boys and girls) each with a list of about 20 kinds to suit your taste and prices to suit your pocket-book. All candy delivered to your house on Saturday before Easter; to be paid for on delivery. If you want a salesman to call, write or phone to R. H. Morris, 6604 Wayne Avenue. (Gtn 0640).

Our commissions go into our Lenten Mission mite boxes.

(3.) Our attendance for January and February averaged 30 more each Sunday than last year and our offerings averaged \$3.47 more.

We have added 14 new scholars since January 1st and we need some teachers badly. Is there not some who read this that will offer their services.

(4.) Our Easter Service will be held in the church at 7.30 P. M. There will be presented a Pageant which will be most interesting to all because each one taking part in it will be a scholar of our School. Again we cordially invite all parents and friends of the School to attend this service. R.H.M.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House on Thursday, March 15th at 2 o'clock.

It is very gratifying to report that we are getting along nicely with the "Sewing," owing to the help rendered us by quite a number of the ladies of our Parish, who have come to our assistance. We have, however, just ordered two (2) "layettes" from the Supply Bureau, as we are confident we shall be able to accomplish that much more work, in addition to our quota of regular sewing. At present there are nine sweaters being knitted for the mission fields by ladies in our church.

The Mission Study Class, held every Wednesday at 3.30 P. M. during Lent, and conducted by Mrs. Crawford, of St. Thomas', Whitmarsh, is delightfully interesting and instructive. About twenty women attend this class weekly.

L. M. R.

AN ADDRESS BY MRS. MILDRED SCOTT OLMSTEAD

Mrs. Mildred Scott Olmstead, Executive Secretary of the Women's International Peace Organization, will give an address in Christ Church Parish House on Wednesday afternoon, March 21st, at four o'clock. Her subject will be, "International Peace from a Woman's Viewpoint."

Mrs. Olmstead has been in both France and Germany and is familiar with the people of those countries and the present critical conditions.

All are invited to hear Mrs. Olmstead in the Parish House on Wednesday afternoon, at four o'clock.

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS, A SUCCESS

A Letter From The Committee
To the MEMBERS OF CHRIST CHURCH, GERMANTOWN.

The results of the "EVERY MEMBER CAMPAIGN" were so encouraging that it was thought best to send you this progress report, although pledges are still coming in.

Before the Campaign took place there were,

280 weekly envelope pledges for church expenses, amounting to	\$4,916.60
210 weekly envelopes for Missions amounting to	2,012.40

The Campaign results are,
69 new pledges for church expense, amounting to 612.30
101 increased their pledges for church expense, amounting to 525.20

Total add'l. for Church expense	\$1,137.50
55 new pledges for Missions, amounting to	369.30
98 increased their pledges for Missions, amounting to, . . .	826.80

Total add'l. for Missions	\$1,196.10
Therefore, the total pledges through the weekly envelope system now are,	
349 pledges for Church expense, amtg. to, (an increase of 23%)	\$6,054.10
265 pledges for Missions, amtg. to (an increase of 60%) . .	3,208.50

It is very interesting to note that although the "Campaign" was almost solely for an increase of our offering for the general work of the Church, outside the parish, yet our members took advantage of the opportunity to increase their present pledge for the work of Christ Church within the parish and in addition, many members, who were not contributing at all through the envelope system, decided to do so.

The Visiting Committees were not able to visit every family in the parish on one afternoon; therefore several members have not received pledge cards; others were not at home when the Committee called. Some members also have not responded at all.

The aim of this "Campaign" was, "That every person who considers himself or herself a member of Christ Church should be asked to pledge a contribution regularly some amount (no matter how small) to both the work of Christ Church Parish and also, to the larger work of the entire church, usually called "Missions."

If, therefore, you have not as yet pledged, will you send your card to Mr. Edward Bains, Accounting Warden, 104 Harvey Street, Germantown.

We want to make our Church "A 100% PARISH" in that every one realizes their obligation of membership by doing his or her part toward the support of our work.

The Committee wish to thank our members for their cooperation by having their cards ready when our calls were made.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE "EVERY MEMBER CANVASS"

THE CHURCH'S "PROGRAM"

"The Episcopal Church throughout the country has awakened to a new interest in her divine mission and her members have responded to her call during the past three years in greater works and larger offerings than ever before.

The regular giving for the general work of the Church has been lifted to a higher plane and it is inconceivable that the members of the Church can sink back into the former indifference and to the former low plane of giving. On the contrary it is confidently believed that the Church will press forward to greater things and that there will be a more loyal and generous support by all her members.

It was in this belief that what is called "The Church's Program" for the next three years, when the General Convention of the Church will again meet, was prepared. This "Program" is a full and detailed statement of all the work and projects which will be carried out to the extent made possible by the offerings of the members of the Church, including all existing work, its expansion and new projects.

More than a year was spent in the careful preparation at the Church's national headquarters, in consultation with bishops and missionaries and lay workers from all parts of the world.

Both Houses of the General Convention held last fall in Portland, Oregon, unanimously adopted the "Program." It is therefore, the official program of the Church by action of the legislative and governing body of the Church.

As such every loyal Churchman will adopt it as his or her own.

What is this Program? Let us consider it
For 1923 the Program covers work and projects amounting to \$6,000,000; for 1924, \$7,000,000; for 1925 \$8,000,000.

It was presented to the Convention in the form of a book consisting of two parts, The Budget and The Priorities. The Budget covers all existing work. The Priorities includes all that will be done

in addition, as the means are provided.

There is no essential difference between The Budget and The Priorities. The work and projects in both are of the same character. The only real difference lies in the fact that appropriations have been made for all that is included in the Budget. Appropriations for the objects in The Priorities will be made as rapidly as the offerings of the Church will justify.

Appropriations were made for the whole amount of the Budget, which is \$4,000,000 for the first year, because it was believed that the Church would not think of retreating.

This Program does not include all the needs and opportunities which confront the Church. It would be easily possible to present a program several times as large. This Program is merely a definite, carefully digested statement of a part of what the Church ought to do. It represents a minimum, not a maximum of duty.

Whole Program to Be Allotted

The General Convention directed that the whole Program be allotted to the dioceses and districts on a sliding scale on the basis of local current expenses, indicating the portion thereof for which appropriations have already been made.

These diocesan quotas are not assessments, but are moral obligations and the canon requires the taking of the necessary steps to raise the whole quota.

What is expected of every diocese and district and every parish and mission is an honest effort to raise at least the full quota for the whole Program. Disloyalty will not consist in a failure to reach this minimum requirement; it will consist in the failure to make a sincere and energetic effort to do so.

Those who desire to examine or study the Program are referred to three books, copies of which can be purchased at the Church House, 202 South 19th Street.

1. **The General Church Program**, containing The Budget and The Priorities in complete detail. Price, 50 cents.

2. **The Program Presented**, an explanation of the Program and of the principles upon which it is based. It is intended primarily as a text book for parish group meetings, but is suitable for general reading. Price, 25 cents.

3. **The Story of the Program**, a book dealing in a more complete way with the

Program, giving a full narrative of the work to which the Church stands committed. It is designed for general reading and for the use of leaders and speakers. Price, one dollar.

GIRL'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Did you hear all about the Valentine Dance which the Girl's Friendly held? No, it wasn't given on Valentine Day—that being Ash Wednesday—but it was on Valentine's Eve. It was quite a success both financially and socially and if you weren't there you missed a lot.

During Lent the Girls' Friendly Society are trying to carry out the spirit of the season by refraining from the more worldly occupations and bucking down to real work. If you should happen into the Parish House on a Tuesday evening you would see the girls working industriously on garments which are to be sent to an Indian mission in Nevada. Now the making of these garments is real work, because very explicit directions come with each one and these directions must be carried out to the eighth of the inch.

But these girls don't mind work a bit. If you want proof of this just stop in the Girls' Friendly room at any time and see what they have done there.

G. M. G.

EASTER COMMUNION

Everyone, of course—everyone who considers himself a Christian and who is physically able to come to God's House, will, of course, attend Divine Service on **Easter Day!** It would be worse than foolish to suggest that any Christian will remain away on **Easter Day!** Even if there were no rubric in the Prayer Book of the Church of England (this church is far from intending to depart from the Church of England in the essential point of doctrine, discipline, or worship) which says, "Every parishioner shall communicate at least three times in the year, of which Easter shall be one," every Christian who rejoices in the hope of the Resurrection would want to avail himself of this privilege and be with the risen Jesus on that great Day.

Every member of the Church will devote himself during these last solemn days of Lent in preparation for the Easter Communion.

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CLERGY:

Rector, Rev Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00-7.00 p. m., Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

The Easter Communion

On Easter Day there were four hundred and ninety-seven persons received at the Holy Communion.

This number represents about eighty per cent of the communicant list of the Parish. It is a good record and is evidence of a general realization of the spiritual privileges which should be appreciated and enjoyed by all.

It is hoped that it has also an intensive meaning—a deepening of the spiritual life of the Parish.

The offering at the morning services amounted to \$969.90.

The additional amount received at the evening service is included in the Church School offering reported in another column of the Chimes.

Of the twenty per cent of Communicants who were absent on Easter Day, the Rector believes that he can account for about seven per cent, who were sick or too feeble to attend Church; about three per cent, who were out of town, about five per cent, who come under the caption "arrested spiritual development," in other words, "worldly" or careless; and the remaining five per cent of those absent come under the head of "dead wood"—those who seem to have become dead to every spiritual appeal and influence. May the Holy Spirit touch their hearts and bring them again to life and light!

Our thoughts and our prayers were for those who were sick or too feeble to be present in Church on Easter Day. We paused and remembered many, by name, as we prayed in the Communion Service.

"We most humbly beseech Thee, of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness or any other adversity." And, as the memorial flowers which filled the chancel and covered the altar brought to mind the memories of the blessed dead, our thoughts went out to them in our prayers; "We also bless Thy holy name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow their good example, that with them we may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom."

What a blessed privilege it was—this Easter Communion with our Risen Lord! And each Sunday is an Easter Day—it is the Lord's Day. What a perpetual spiritual feast our Sundays would be if we but remembered this! God grant that we all may make them so! Amen!

Paying and Giving

We ought to make a distinction between paying and giving. Then the paying of money would go in general for our Parish needs and expenses, such as the support of the clergy, the sexton and the choir, the care and repair of the property, and the heat and light and equipment necessary to make our church home clean and comfortable. The giving of money would be so left for charities and benevolences and missions. The paying would be done for our own spiritual health and growth, as paying to schools is done for the intellectual health and

growth, and to grocers and butchers for our physical health and growth. And, as no self-respecting person wants another to pay gratuitously for the schooling of his children or for the table supplies of himself and family, so each and every one in the Church or Parish should have the self respect and honest pride to want to bear his or her own share of the parish expenses. The provision for these expenses should be arranged for in a plain, business way, by subscriptions carefully secured. The income so provided should be collected in a business way and put into and paid out from the parish treasury. When all this paying is provided for in a business way, then giving begins. If the paying is done cheerfully and honorably and to the full, all the offerings in church can go for charities, benevolences, and missions.

Kalendar for May

MAY 1st—St. Philip and St. James.
MAY 6th—Fifth (Rogation) Sunday after Easter.
MAY 7th, 8th, 9th—Rogation Days.
MAY 10th—Ascension Day.
MAY 13th—Sunday after Ascension.
MAY 20th—Whit Sunday.
MAY 25th, 26th—Ember Days.
MAY 27th—Trinity Sunday.

Baptisms

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."
1923

March 4—Hazelton Mirkil, 3rd.
" 31—Thomas Canfield Jordan.
" —Charles Evan Thomas, Jr.
" —Gertrude Eleanor Ard.
" —Charles Ard, Jr.
April 22—Zachary Taylor Louis King, 3rd.

Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."
April 2, 1923
Herbert Alexander Feist.
Ruth Elizabeth Smith.
April 4, 1923
James Jay Livingston.
Ruth Eleanor Vossler.

Burials

"Looking for the general Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

March 5—Ellen W. Chase.
" 16—Rebecca B. S. Geib.

Change in Time of Service

The time of all services and meetings in this Parish has been *set ahead one hour*, in conformity with the Daylight Saving schedule, generally adopted throughout the city of Philadelphia. This change will go into effect in this Parish on Sunday, May 6th.

Vestrymen Elected

At the annual election of Vestrymen held on Easter Monday the following members were re-elected Vestrymen of Christ Church to serve for the term of three years: Sheldon Potter, William N. Johnson, William R. Pugh. John F. Davidson was the new member elected to the Vestry, in place of Francis B. Falkner, who has removed from Germantown.

Mr. Davidson has been a communicant member of the Parish for forty years, having been confirmed in this Church by Bishop Stevens in 1883.

The Judges of Election were James Carmint, Jr., H. A. Cannon, William S. Crowder.

New Envelopes for Envelope Subscribers

New sets of envelopes for the year beginning at Easter will be furnished to all, to subscribe through the Envelope System.

Persons who have not subscribed—it is desired that all should do so—may find pledge cards in the racks in either vestibule or they will be furnished on application to the Verger. Please indicate by a mark the amount you desire to give weekly; sign name and address at bottom of card and place it on the alms basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to you. For further information, please apply, after any service, to Mr. Edward Bains, 10' Harvey Street, the Accounting Warden.

Vestry Meeting

The following is the report of the regular stated meeting of the Vestry which was held on April 3rd in the Parish House. Mr. J. M. Woodroffe was appointed Rector's Warden; Mr. Edward Bains was elected Accounting Warden; Richard H. Morris was elected Secretary.

The following delegates to Diocesan Convention and Convocation of Germantown were elected: Messrs. Sheldon Potter, J. M. Woodroffe and R. H. Morris; Alternates to Convocation, Messrs U. G. Rowley, Edward Bains and Dr. W. N. Johnson.

The Rector appointed the following committeemen:

Finance—W. N. Johnson, U. G. Rowley, J. M. Woodroffe.

Property—Fred. Lennig, U. G. Rowley, O. N. Middleton.

Choir—T. H. Carmichael, C. W. Sutcliffe, R. H. Morris.

Sunday School—R. H. Morris, Edward Bains, John F. Davidson.

Every Member—Fred Lennig, O. N. Middleton, C. W. Sutcliffe.

Voted—That Property Committee and Acting Warden be authorized to have repairs made to Church and Parish House, roofs and Church steeple; also to wall and curbing on Tulpehocken Street.

Voted—That arrangements for the care of Church and Parish House be left in the hands of the Wardens.

Voted—That a total amount of \$350 be appropriated to purchase chairs for Sunday School room.

Voted—That the appropriation for the Sunday School for the ensuing year be at the rate of \$60 per month.

The various committees made reports which were received and ordered filed. The Accounting Warden reported Easter offering (to this date) was \$910.48.

R. H. MORRIS, Secretary.

Diocesan Convention

The one hundred and thirty-ninth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania will meet in Holy Trinity Church, Nineteenth and Market Streets, on Tuesday, May 1st.

The lay deputies from this Parish are Col. Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe and Richard H. Morris.

Confirmation

On Maundy Thursday evening, March 29th, the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., visited this Parish and confirmed a class of twenty-two persons, 12 females and 10 males. Two persons were not able to be confirmed on account of illness. The following are the names of those confirmed:

John Henry Abrams.
John Aull.
Emily Jordan Benerman.
Howard Leicester Benerman, Jr.
Charles Smith Buckenhorst.
William Henry Clausen, Jr.
Amelia Peacock Clifton (Mrs.)
Elizabeth Kathryn Garble.
Jeanette Helena Gilfillian.
Clarence Franklin Goddard.
Robert Bell Hance, Jr.
John Joseph Hannan.
Alice Katherine Higginbotham.
Mary Elizabeth James.
Jane Monroe (Mrs.)
Edith Evans Parker.
William Poole Parker.
James Henry Rayner.
Helen Dorothy Robinson.
Ruth Elizabeth Smith.
Anna Mildred Vandegrift.
Annette Farquhar Wells.

Altar Guild

Members of the Altar Guild were very busy with the extra services during Lent. We were all on duty March 24th, when we split palms and decorated for Palm Sunday. The next Saturday, the decorating and arranging of the memorial flowers for Easter necessitated our being at church the greater part of the day,—so we took our lunch and ate it over in the Parish House. We were assisted on both days by several members of St. Christopher's Guild.

Two very beautiful linen veils, one edged with point lace and the other embroidered, have been given in memory of Miss Ellen W. Chase.

Mrs. Avery has also given a new fair linen for the chapel altar, which has been very exquisitely embroidered by Mrs. Cotton.

Our supply of fair linens is getting low, as some that we have had for a long while are wearing out. If there is anyone that would like to give new ones, we would be very glad to hear from them.

F. D.

The Sunday School

To give in full the record of the past month would take more space than is allotted to us, so we will have to leave out some things that we would like to say.

First of all our Lenten offering for missions amounts to over seven hundred and fifty dollars, which is the largest we have given for fifteen years, and probably more than we have ever given. Nearly three times as much as last year (which was \$275).

Question: How did we do it?

Answer: By everyone doing their share.

This is the way it was done:

The Mission Fair (in February)	\$229.18
Sales of Easter Candy	61.00
Mite Boxes, Main School	255.97
Mite Boxes, Primary Department	59.05
Lenten Offering, Womens Bible Class	10.00
Lenten Offering, Men's Bible Class	75.00
Offering at Our Easter Service	60.35

Total \$750.55

This offering was presented on Sunday afternoon, April 29, at Holy Trinity Church and we saw that our offering got well started on its way to the Mission fields all over our country and part of it also to the other side of the world.

Secondly—Our Easter Carol Service was the best we ever had, and we also had more than three times as many parents and friends there as we have had for years. This is one of the reasons it was such a success. Come again next Christmas. We have another treat in store for you. Another reason, it was the "best ever" was the Pageant given by the scholars. It was entitled "The Light of the World" and it held everyone's breathless attention from the moment it commenced when the church was darkened (waiting for the light to come) until at the end when "Mother Church" asked for help to spread Christ's Kingdom throughout the world, and a little child from the Primary Department brought up their mite box offering saying, "Take and use this," followed by a scholar from each of the classes with their "mites."

Thirdly—The record of faithful attendance was read at the Easter Service and it is a long one.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baishbrown with 8

years and 14 Sundays heads the list; next comes Anne Weitsner with 5 years and 48 Sundays, and Charles Buchenhorst with 5 years and 26 Sundays.

There were three scholars who have attended between 4 and 5 years: Elizabeth Haas, Miss Margaret Courtney, Helen McHenry.

There were six between 3 and 4 years: Bertram Malaby, Marion Feist, Mary Keenan, Betty Melchor, Nancy Courtney and Martha McHenry.

There were ten between 2 and 3 years: John Hannon, Howard Logan, James Osborne, Josephine Wright, Robert Arndt, Clifton Malaby, Hilda Ellis, Helen Wertsner, Margaret Robinson and Anna Bradley.

There were fifteen between 1 and 2 years: Margaret Boyer, Anna Johnson, Robert Hance, Thomas Carter, Jean Gillman, Helen Robinson, Helen Jackson, Marg. Wismer, Albert Rayner, Miss Gertrude Feist, Clarence Goddard, Allen Fernier, Doris Hance, Alberta Wright, William Pritchard and Mrs. Christ.

In the Primary Department for faithful attendance were Ruth Carmint, Beatrice Johnson, Ellen Ferguson, John Pritchard, William Stryke, George Johnson, William Frech, Jr., and Herbert Wismer.

Not a single class is unrepresented in the above and the total "age" of all scholars who have attended at least a year without missing would be 95 years and 32 Sundays. Then there were 35 scholars who attended church during Lent without missing a single Sunday.

Fourthly and lastly—Your Superintendent wishes to state that for the year ending on Easter Day only about \$25 was unpaid in our weekly envelopes or in other words we have made good for 97% of our pledges—a wonderful record.

We started the year with the idea of keeping busy all the time and we are going to stick at it the rest of the year. Without making any especial effort we have gained 25 new members since January 1st but cannot take many more until we have some new teachers. Will not someone who reads this offer their services as teachers? We will gladly welcome you and we know you will enjoy the work.

Miss Sara Clifton, Miss Helen McHenry and Mrs. Howard Feist have been appointed teachers in the Primary Department. R. H. M.

Missionary to Preach in Christ Church

The Rev. Arthur M. Sherman, of Wuchang, Diocese of Hankow, China, will tell of his work in that important missionary field of the Church, on Sunday morning, May 13th. It has been proposed that Christ Church Parish shall select and be responsible for the support of this mission in China, as our particular missionary work for the coming year. Mr. Sherman will tell our people of the needs and opportunities of his work at Wuchang, on Sunday morning, May 13th.

The Daughters of the King

On May 15, the annual meeting of the Local Assembly of The Daughters of the King will be held in Christ Church. There will be an afternoon business session at which time addresses will be given by Mrs. S. Naudain Duer and the Rev. Clarence H. Reese, of St. Matthew's Church. The evening session will be at 7.30. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Thomas S. Cline, of Grace Church, Mount Airy.

A cordial invitation is extended to the members of this congregation to attend the meetings.

Offering for the Poor

Children's Outing Fund

It is not too early to remind the members of Christ Church of the annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund, which will be taken on the third Sunday in June. This worthy charity has appealed more and more strongly to our people and each year a larger number of children has been sent by our parish from the courts and alleys of this city for a week's outing in the country. Let no one forget this offering on Sunday morning, June 17th.

300—45; Remains 255

This is not a problem in higher mathematics but in plain arithmetic. Out of 300 possible subscribers to your church paper "Christ Church Chimes" I have received subscriptions from FORTY-FIVE—THESE forty-five people have made it possible to supply the other 255 with the Chimes. The answer is—

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Wear and Tear on the Church Property

The Property Committee of the Vestry are taking in hand important repairs to the Church property and, by authority of the Vestry, are expending considerable money this spring on this urgent need. They desire that you should be acquainted with the condition of the Church property and realize the importance of keeping in proper repair the buildings. Everyone is personally concerned in this work and will be interested to learn the present needs and what the Property Committee have been called upon to do. The committee report that it has been necessary to make extensive repairs to the Church tower, putting on new slate, replacing old sheet metal work with copper and removing the remains of the weather vane. The main Church roof and slate work on the Parish House are being repaired and the tin work on the rectory is being put in good condition. Contract has been let for repairs to the stone wall around the Church. The clapper in the largest bell in the chimes decided to leave the bell, fell and was fractured. It was temporarily repaired just in time for Easter.

The new work that we wish to bring to your attention is the repairs to the chimes, repairs to the stone work on the tower, general repairs and renovation of the Rectory to make it habitable and protect it from the elements.

Mr. Samuel N. Baxter, who is arboriculturist of the City of Philadelphia and of Fairmount Park and a member of this Parish, has kindly submitted a planting plan of shrubbery about the Church which would add greatly to the appearance of the property. On account of lack of funds we have been unable to do this work for you.

We would like to hear from anyone interested in this "planting," who may have some plan to finance this work.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK LENNIG

U. G. ROWLEY

O. N. MIDDLETON

Property Committee.

Large Increase in Number of Givers

In response to the Every Member Campaign held in this Parish last March there has been an increase of 23 per cent in the weekly pledges for expenses for 1923 and an increase of 60 per cent in pledges for Missions. Each year during the past five years there has been an increase in the number of Envelope Subscribers and the amount pledged to both parish expenses and for Missions. This indicates an encouraging condition and healthy growth of the Parish. There is a wide spread and growing consciousness on the part of the members of the Parish of a personal and individual responsibility of *every member*,—of every man, woman and child to help in the support of the Parish and the work of the Church at large. The pews in this Church are free. Therefore, the support of the Parish is dependent upon the weekly offerings of the members. In addition to the money needed for the current expenses of the Parish, Christ Church is asked by the Council to give \$8,140.00 annually for the support of the Church's Mission. This amount is to be realized by our members giving weekly in the missionary side (the right-hand side) of the envelope.

Therefore, the obligation to meet our needs, both parochial and extra parochial, depends upon each individual member of the Parish doing his or her full share.

Our people are gradually, but surprisingly to a realization of their personal responsibility and a sense of honor and privilege is leavening the whole lump. It will not be long, we believe, before every man, woman and child in Christ Church Parish will be included on the books of the Parish, among the number of faithful and conscientious givers. God speed the day!

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibules of the Church. The cards may be signed and placed on the almsplate at any service and a package of envelopes will be sent to you.

The pledge, being purely voluntary may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time, by notifying the Rector.

The Girls' Friendly Society

The Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church is about closing its season of 1922-23, and it is with much satisfaction that we look back upon our accomplishments. Our Basket Ball Team under the leadership of Mrs. Shock has become a real live feature of our Friendly—made out of perfectly green material with but few exceptions. They have taken their part in the League beside playing games with outside teams and not without some laurels.

We have had two most successful dances from which we realized enough to furnish our room in the Parish House and carry us through the year. Sent a large box of toys and stockings to the children at the Philadelphia General Hospital at Christmas time and sent Christmas dinners to poor families. These last two efforts came from voluntary contributions of the members. We have added to our membership and hope to have a membership drive in the fall.

We have done our part in the sewing and on Thursday all went to Trinity Parish House to see the work of all the G. F. S. in the Diocese displayed and then to our annual service at Holy Trinity Church which was a wonderfully inspiring sight.

It is with much regret that we will be obliged to lose our faithful and much beloved Treasurer, Edith B. Johnson who has served us for four years and endeared herself to each one. We wish her all the joy and happiness that can be showered upon her and with great pleasure enroll her as one of our "Married Branch Helpers."

The girls and some of the associates spent a very pleasant evening with the ladies at the "House of Rest" during the past month.

With all the pleasures of the past year we are all keen to get closer together and cooperate more and more in our relations with each other, being helpful to all whenever we can, by word and deed, being ever mindful of our motto:

"Bear ye one another's burdens"

A garden party will be held at Mannheim on June 2nd under the auspices of the G. F. S. of Germantown to raise money to send a G. F. S. delegate to the Summer School at Bryn Mawr.

Woman's Auxiliary

On April nineteenth the Woman's Auxiliary held a most inspiring meeting. The prime object of the meeting was to discuss ways and means of raising money to help pay the parish quota for missions. Our first venture will be a rummage sale to be held on the sixteenth of May in the Parish House. We hope everyone will cooperate with us in this undertaking and send their cast-off clothing to the Parish House before the sixteenth of May. The work of the Sewing Guild was exhibited at this meeting and the chairman, Mrs. Vossler, and her assistants are to be congratulated on the number of garments turned out and the excellent workmanship displayed.

The knitted garments also made a fine showing. Altogether we feel proud of our work done during the past winter. At the close of the meeting tea was served and a social hour was enjoyed by everyone. A. F. W.

Boy Scouts Wide Awake

Some of us have been keeping posted on that band of boys who meet Monday night, make enough noise to raise the roof during recess and are as silent as death when they stand at attention.

Yes, the Boy Scouts are organized to play and to work. Our Troop just carried off the honors to the tune of 81 merit badges at the Court of Honor at the Germantown High School. This leads all Troops of Germantown and Chestnut Hill which is "going some," when you consider that 30% of all the boys of Scout age in Germantown and Chestnut Hill are Boy Scouts.

Our Troop has become what they call a standard type—that is, on each meeting night new Scoutmasters visit us, coming from all over the city. They are required to do so by the examining board who accept or reject men as Scoutmasters.

The new men come to learn how to run a Boy Scout Troop and what they see when they arrive is a meeting conducted almost entirely by the boys themselves. The Scoutmaster has become a sort of a clerk of the course.

And the Hikes! Rancocas Canoe Trip for First Class Scouts only—those who are expert swimmers.

And the Wilderness Hike right out into the wildest kind of country. The Scouts ran the whole party themselves last year with the Scoutmaster ready and willing to suggest improvements but unable to improve on what the Scouts suggested.

How a mother can keep her boy out of the Scouts is beyond me. I am the father of three boys. The influence of the Boy Scouts of America is one of the most splendid influences that has ever come into their lives. Even the little fellow catches the spirit of it from his brothers.

GEORGE I. BODINE, JR.
Scoutmaster.

Sons' and Dads' Dinner

On Monday evening, May 7th, a dinner will be given in the Parish House by the boys of Christ Church School to their dads. Every boy in the Parish is invited to attend this dinner and bring with him his dad, or his big brother or some other good pal. The "boys," big and little, old and young, are going to sit down to a dandy dinner, served in dandy style, at 6.45 sharp. The dinner is going to be a feature, provided under "special arrangement"—for only twenty-five cents. Think of it—a real, big dinner of four courses, ending up with ice cream and cake for twenty-five (25) cents. You will be told how it's done when you get there. There will be good music, hearty singing, spicy speeches and a *real time*. Every boy and his dad are invited! Every real dad should be proud to come on that night and be "one of the boys." Here's a chance for the grouchy, moss-covered, moth-eaten old dads in the parish to come from under cover, and for one night, at least, be a *real pal* with your boy. It will make you and "the other boys" all feel good. "Backward, turn backward, O Time, in thy flight."

Make me a boy again; just for tonight!" Tickets for the dinner—*tout compris*—may be purchased from any boy in the Church School. Twenty-five cents, for the whole show—dinner, entertainment and all! No extras. Remember the date! Sons' and Dads' Dinner in the Parish House, Monday evening, May 7th, 6.45 sharp.

The Boys' Club

A club for the boys of Christ Church was organized four weeks ago by Messrs. William Clausen and John Arndt. Boys from twelve to sixteen who belong to the Sunday School can join. The club is composed of two teams and there are about nine or ten boys on each team. Clarence Goddard, Charles Buckingham, Robert Hance, William Blank, Walter Hilliard, John Abrams, William Osborne and a few new members belong to the Blue Team; Bradford Hull, James Rayner, Paul Snell, Albert and Clifton Fernier, John Hannan, Thomas Hodge and a few more new members belong to the Green Team. Each team will have a team to suit the season. At present each team has a baseball team. The club holds its meetings on Friday evenings. Any boy wishing to join, come around on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock and you'll see the good times we have. All boys between twelve and sixteen are eligible.

JOHN HANNAN.

Tennis

Are you going to play tennis this year? If you are here is a chance to get in with a good live bunch. The Tennis Club of Christ Church offers you the privilege of two good courts for the season for two dollars. Members of Christ Church and their friends are eligible. Membership cards may be secured from members of the club.

If you already know the game the tournaments will interest you; if you have never played before there will be plenty of players who will be willing to teach you. There are also several social features which should interest everyone.

Think it over and join now; the membership will be limited.

Application for membership may be made to James Carmint, 6373 Sherman Street, Germantown. L. L. W.

Services on Ascension Day

The services on Holy Thursday, or Ascension Day, will be Holy Communion, 7.30 a. m. Holy Communion and address, 11.00 a. m.

The offering at both services will be for the missionary work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Rectors to Exchange Pulpits With Missionaries

The Department of Missions of the Diocese has asked the Rectors of some of the parishes to exchange pulpits with the missionaries of the Diocese. "The benefit of this exchange," the letter reads, "will be four-fold."

"1. Some thirty-five of our parishes will hear about one of our Diocesan Missions from the Missionary in charge, or the Dean of a Convocation; and thus our people will be inspired to take a deeper interest in the missionary work of the Diocese.

"2. Our Missionaries will be encouraged by having the opportunity of telling of their work and needs in some of our larger parishes.

"3. Our Mission congregations will be encouraged by having some of our better-known Rectors conduct their services and preach to them.

"4. The Rectors who visit the Missions will gain a direct knowledge of one Mission a year, and thus be able to speak from experience concerning it.

"If the observance of this Exchange Sunday is continued, as we trust it will be, there being a different exchange year by year, our clergy and people will by degrees gain a more intimate and intelligent knowledge of Diocesan Missions, and thus be stirred up to take an ever deepening interest in this most important aspect of our Diocesan activities."

The Rector is in full sympathy with the object of this movement and has arranged to exchange pulpits with the Rev. A. J. Arkin, Missionary in Charge of St. George's Mission, Richmond, Philadelphia, on Sunday morning, May 27th.

St. George's Mission was formerly included in the Missions under the supervision of the Germantown Convocation but is now under the Convocation of North Philadelphia. Mr. Arkin has done and is doing a great constructive work in that growing manufacturing section of Philadelphia and he will have an interesting report to give to the people of this Parish on Sunday morning, May 27th.

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CHRIST CHURCH

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CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of the Hour for the Morning Service

During the months of July and August, and continuing until Sunday, September 16, inclusive, the hour of the Sunday mid-day service will be at half past ten (daylight saving time) instead of at eleven o'clock. This change of hour to half past ten will bring the mid-day service at a cooler part of the day. The service will be over before noon.

It will also afford the scholars of the Church School the opportunity of attending the service in the Church.

Please remember the hour of the mid-day Sunday service—10.30 Daylight Saving Time, beginning Sunday, July 1st, and continuing to Sunday, September 16th (inclusive).

The hour of the other services will remain the same—Holy Communion, every Sunday at 7.30, shortened form of Evening Prayer, with address, every Sunday evening at 7.45 o'clock.

The services during July will be in charge of the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmsburg, Philadelphia. During August the Rev. George Woodward Lamb, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Hatboro, Pa., will be in charge.

The services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time, if word is left at the Rectory.

SUMMER VACATION

The time is here when many are looking forward to the summer vacation. "Where to spend it?" is to many minds

the paramount question. But really the most important question is not, where to spend it, but *how* to spend it. The object of a vacation is, or should be, recreation, that is, *re-creation*. A vacation should be a rest to mind and body and soul, with this definite end in view, that one may return better fitted to do life's work, with renewed vigor, nobler purposes and higher ideals.

"Rest is not quitting this busy career, Rest is the fitting oneself to his sphere."

There is a danger that a protracted vacation may foster habits of idleness and looseness of conduct and may lower the high standard of living. The relinquishment of the responsibility, and the duties of home, of business and of the church, and, often, the abandonment of religious duties, such as private prayer, church attendance and Holy Communion, tend to demoralization and make it difficult for one to resume life's work and to take up again in the Fall life's more serious duties and responsibilities. Summer is not a time to waste or dawdle away. It is not a time when we may go away from home and throw overboard the ordinary restraint that our position in church and society requires. If our religion is more than skin deep we will carry our religion wherever we go. If we are Church people from principle and not from policy we will attend the services of the Church and hallow the name of God on the Lord's Day in summer as well as in winter. Looseness of manners and morals at some summer resorts are notorious. A Christian will not put on and take off the cloak of righteousness at his convenience. His influence must be for good at all times and

in all places. When, therefore, we go to the country, to the shore, to the mountains, or wherever we go, we should let ourselves be known as Christians and Churchmen, not so much by our words as by our consistent and exemplary character. We should attend and support the Church services. We should assist, if we are able and are needed, in the choir. Give the Rector some words of encouragement. He may need it and will appreciate it, and let our encouragement take on some tangible form. In a word, let our vacation be a re-creation in body, mind and soul, and let all that we do on our vacations contribute to our highest and holiest edification.

*"And thus our life from public haunt
Finds tongues in trees, books in the
running brooks,
Sermons in stones and good in every-
thing."*

LETTERS OF TRANSFER

It is very important that new comers moving into the Parish should bring with them letters demissory. Note the following Canon of the Church: *"A communicant moving from one parish to another, shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish, of late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing."*

It often occurs that communicants moving into a Parish, neglect for so long a time, to comply with this Canon, drift about from place to place, or, what is worse, neglect altogether their Church duties, and finally they get into a very dangerous habit of religious indolence and indifference—which soon brings with it hardness and callousness to spiritual influences which result in spiritual death.

There are many good people, who were once earnest and faithful attendants at the services of the Church—whose lives were once "strengthened and refreshed by the Bread of Life"—who are now wanderers from the Fold, prodigals from their Father's House. They have become so, not by any wilful desire, not by disbelief or intentional denial of allegiance to their Christ and His Church; but by the insidious force of habit which almost unconsciously has wrapped itself about them fast—bound like the serpents about Laocoon and his sons.

If these words are read by any who are drifting from place to place, without a Church that they can call their *Home*—the Rector affectionately urges that they let themselves be known to him that he may call upon them and welcome them to this Parish as their Church *Home*.

A letter or a card sent to the Rector will receive prompt attention.

POOR CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 17th. It will cost \$4.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small, dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

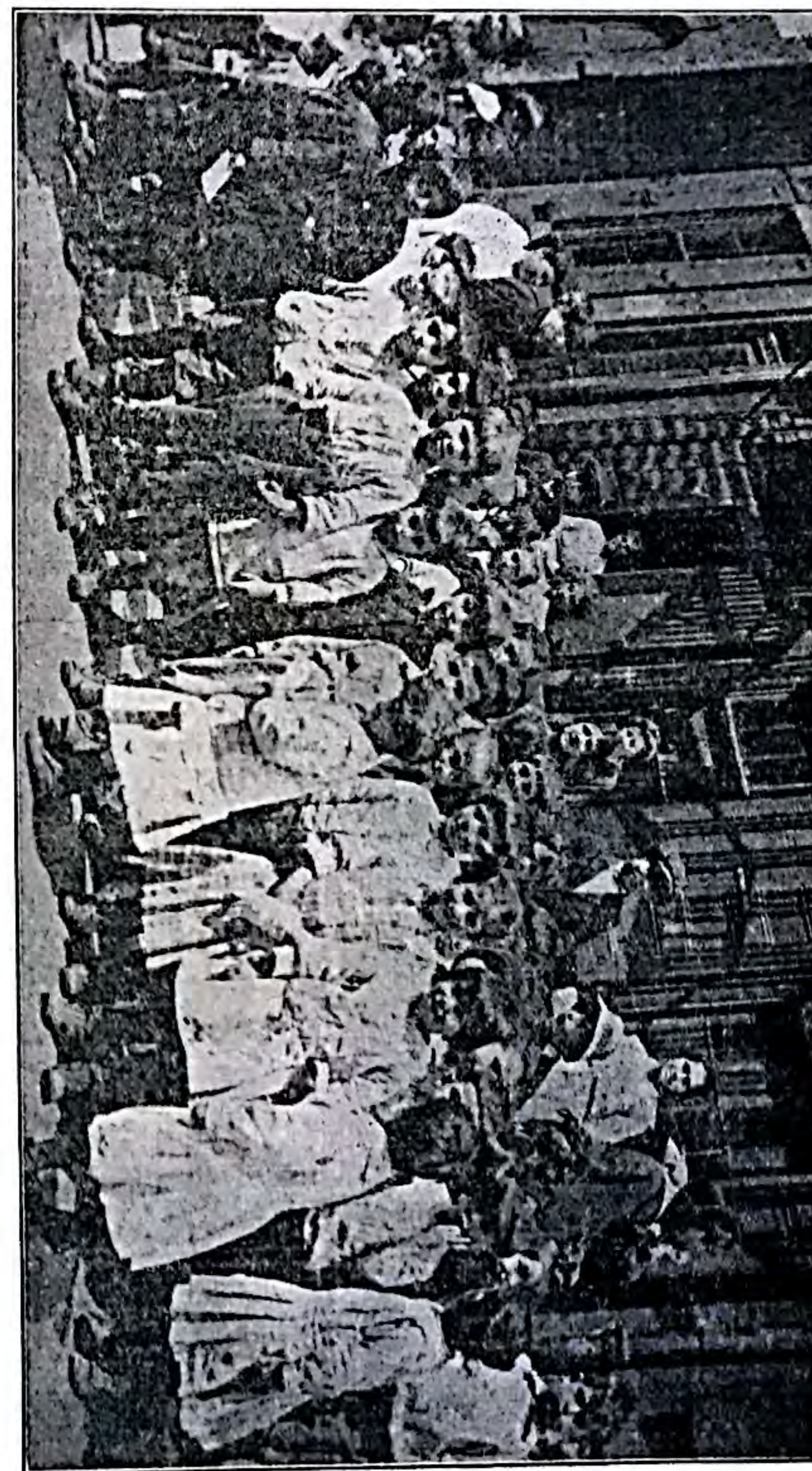
This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give, and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

Persons wishing to give to this most worthy charity—if they are absent from Church on Sunday morning, June 17th, may send their contributions either to the Rector or the Accounting Warden Edward Bains, 104 Harvey Street, Germantown.

A HELPFUL PRAYER

In visiting the sick and the afflicted the Rector receives for himself so much strength and inspiration for his work that he often wishes that others could share with him these blessings. One of the

ALL DRESSED UP TO GO TO THE COUNTRY
Some of the children who were sent from the slums of the city into the country, last summer



most saintly women of the Rector's acquaintance, a "shut-in" for years in one of the hospitals of our city, composed for her own use the following prayers which have been a source of great help to her in her suffering and her loneliness. At the Rector's request she has copied them and sent them to him and he prints them below that others may receive from them the comfort and strength which have come, at least, to one suffering and lonely heart. Here they are. May God bless others, who may use them!

DAILY PRAYER

"Almighty and everlasting God, help me to think with more comfort of Thy love. Fill my unhappy heart with a consoling sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in the sad loneliness of my life. Let me not dishonor Thee in my unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy Heavenly will. Give me a sense of Thy Blessed Presence, and enable me to find peace through Jesus, my Saviour. O Blessed Lord Jesus, let me lay all my sorrows and needs at the foot of Thy cross, and fill my heart with a loving hope that Thy goodness may provide for my desires, in grief, bodily weakness, loneliness and bereavements. Teach me how to overcome sin, and give eternal happiness through Thy precious blood. Amen."

"Heavenly Father, help me to think with more comforting sense of Thy mercy and goodness. Strengthen me with Thy Holy Spirit in all my earthly life. Let me not dishonor Thee in unhappiness, but be reconciled to Thy will. Let me find peace and comfort through my Saviour. Enable me to lay all my sins, sorrows and needs at the foot of His cross. Fill my heart with a loving trust that they will be provided for me in the best way, to the end of my earthly life, and that comfort and strength can be sent to Thy children in every trial. May their souls be cleansed through Thy redeeming blood! Wilt Thou "support us through this troubled life, till the shadows lengthen, the evening comes, the busy world is hushed and our work is done. Then, in Thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace with Thee forever. Amen."

NOTICE TO ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

It would be a great favor to the Warden and a great benefit to the church if the subscribers through the envelope system, who intend to be away during the summer, will kindly pay in advance before they leave Germantown, the amount of their subscription for the Sundays they expect to be absent. The expenses of the parish have to be met regularly and promptly during the summer months as well as during the winter, and when parishioners leave their weekly subscriptions unpaid for a length of time the Warden who depends upon these payments to meet the expenses of the parish, is compelled to borrow money from bank and pay interest thereon.

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

The number who subscribe through the envelope system now amounts to 312. It is greatly to be desired that the number of subscribers shall be extended until it reaches every attendant at the services of Christ Church. The expenses of the Church go on whether the members are present or not and every person will wish to do his or her share. Parents should inculcate in their children the habit of unselfish giving by systematic and regular method. This should be done in the interest of the child's own future happiness as well as for the interest of the Church. A selfish person can never be happy. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus Christ how he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive"—Acts 20:35. Every member of every family in the Parish should have his or her individual envelopes and should give regularly and conscientiously to the work of the Church. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." I Cor. XVI:2.

Pledge cards will be found in the racks in the vestibule or may be had by applying to the Verger. Please sign these pledge cards and place them in the Alms Basin at any service. A package of envelopes will then be sent to your address.

BAPTISMS

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

June 3, 1923—Jane Armstrong

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

June 2, 1923—Edward Hayes Cramer

Gertrude McKay

June 9, 1923—Henry Hamilton Warner

Edith Bartow Johnson

BURIALS

"Looking for the general Resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

May 19, 1923—Elizabeth Shearer

May 26, 1923—Edward W. Taylor

CALENDAR FOR JULY & AUGUST

July 1st. Fifth Sunday after Trinity
July 8th. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
July 15th. Seventh Sunday after Trinity
July 22nd. Eighth Sunday after Trinity
July 25th. St. James.
July 29th. Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
Aug. 5th. Tenth Sunday after Trinity
Aug. 6th. Transfiguration
Aug. 12th. Eleventh Sunday af. Trinity
Aug. 19th. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
Aug. 24th. St. Bartholomew
Aug. 26th. Thirteenth Sunday af. Trinity

No issue of the CHIMES will be published during the summer months.

Meetings of all Parish Societies have adjourned until autumn. The dates of fall meetings will be published in the September issue of the CHIMES.

The members of the Church School will attend the service in the Church on Sunday mornings at half past ten o'clock, Daylight Saving Time.

A short address will be given each Sunday, to young people, after which the scholars of the Church School who wish to do so, may leave the Church, during the singing of the hymn. The usual sermon will follow.

Both the mid-day and the evening service will be shortened form, with hearty, congregational singing.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our Picnic this year will be on Wednesday, June 27th. We are going to visit Valley Forge and will leave the

Parish House at 1 o'clock (Daylight Saving Time) in auto buses and coming back will arrive home between 8 and 8.30. Mothers of the younger scholars are cordially invited.

The Primary Department will hold their Picnic on the Parish House lawn on Saturday, June 23rd, from 3 to 5 P. M.

During July and August the regular sessions of the School will be omitted and we will attend the church service instead as we did last year. Those attending church and bringing their envelopes will be marked "present." Church service during the summer is at 10.30 o'clock, day light saving time. R. H. M.

MR. VOSSLER ORDAINED TO THE DIACONATE

Mr. Arthur B. Vossler, a member of this Parish, was ordained to the Diaconate on Trinity Sunday by the Rt. Rev. P. M. Rhinelander, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese. During the past eighteen months Mr. Vossler has been serving as lay reader in Christ Church and teacher of the Men's Bible Class. A trained teacher by profession and with long experience, he has rendered most efficient service to the Men's Bible Class, which has been highly appreciated by all its members.

His assistance to the Rector in the services of the Church has been most acceptable. He is an unusually good reader and his rendering of the service is impressive and reverent.

The Rev. Mr. Vossler will preach in Christ Church his first sermon, as Deacon, on Sunday evening, June 27th.

The Bishop has not as yet assigned Mr. Vossler to a definite field of work. In the meantime, it is hoped that Mr. Vossler will be able to remain at Christ Church.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MAY 31, 1923

Cash on hand June 1, 1922\$ 197.95

RECEIPTS

For Parish Purposes

From Envelopes	5,237.19
" Plate offerings	745.74
" Special contributions.....	1,116.03
" Christmas offering.....	189.24

" Easter offering.....	998.08
" Miscellaneous	43.50
" Jeffry's legacy, Int. etc.	2,037.54
" Sunday School (11 mo.)	563.90
	\$10,931.22
<i>For Other Purposes</i>	
For Missions	\$ 2,930.92
" Poor of Parish	590.54
" Special objects	100.87
" Children's Country Week	169.79
" Episcopal Hospital.....	181.20
" Sunday School Easter of-	
fering (Missions)	750.55
" Sunday School Missions	8.49
" Extraordinary repairs....	480.00
" Insurance on roof repairs	97.00
	\$ 5,309.36
Total Receipts	\$16,438.53
DISBURSEMENTS	
<i>For Parish Purposes</i>	
For Salaries, Clergy, Verger,	
etc.	\$ 4,862.00
" Choir and Chimes.....	1,937.81
" Taxes, water rent & Ins.	546.87
" Fuel and Lights	1,070.10
" Repairs	601.48
" Pension Fund	315.00
" Interest	4.80
" Extraordinary Repairs	577.00
" Sunday School (11 mo.)..	560.00
" Miscellaneous	666.74
	\$11,141.80
<i>For Other Purposes</i>	
For Episcopal and Convention	
Fund	\$ 653.85
" Poor of Parish	571.44
" Missions	2,718.52
" Episcopal Hospital	181.20
" Sunday School Easter	
Mission Offering	750.55
" Special Offering	124.72
" Children's Country Week	169.79
	\$5,170.07
Total Disbursements	\$16,311.87
Balance on hand June 1, 1923..	\$126.66
Balance in Anniversary Fund	\$1,289.93
Balance in Repair Fund	505.12
EDWARD BAINS, Accounting Warden	

CHURCHMEN'S PART IN THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION

(A Thought for Independence Day)

"It is interesting to note that the men who took the most prominent part in the political and military affairs attending the founding of our country were for the most part Episcopalians. Some of the statesmen of our Church were as follows:

George Washington, first President, leader of Revolution.

George Mason, author of Virginia Rights Bill 1776.

Thomas Jefferson, author of Declaration of Independence.

Patrick Henry, orator of the Revolution.

James Madison, Father of the U. S. Constitution.

John Marshall, interpreter of Constitution, Chief Justice.

Alexander Hamilton, great Federalist.

Richard Henry Lee, who proposed in Congress the resolution of Independence.

Peyton Rando'ph, President of First Congress.

Robert Livingston, who in 1764 organized opposition to Stamp Act.

C. C. Pickney, who cried "Millions for defence; but not one cent for tribute."

John Morton, whose vote committed Pennsylvania to the Revolution.

Caesar Rodney, whose vote committed Delaware to the Revolution.

Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution.

The following Generals of the Revolution were Episcopalians:

Washington, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Howard, Smallwood, Sullivan, Cobb, Morgan, Lewis, Briarly, Ross, Cadwalader, Wayne, Sumpter, Moultrie, Gwynedd, Jones, Walton, Alexander, Hamilton, and John Laurens, commander and leader of the storming of Yorktown.

There were many more Episcopalians among the framers of the Constitution and the signers of the Declaration of Independence than members of all other religious bodies combined. This is shown as follows:

Of the framers of the Constitution of the United States:

Twenty-five were Episcopalians; five were Congregationalists; five were Pres-

byterians; two were Roman Catholics; one was a Quaker; one was a Methodist.

Of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence there were:

Thirty-four Episcopalians; thirteen Congregationalists; five Presbyterians; two Quakers; one Romanist; one Baptist.

THE SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

All the series of Sundays before or after the great feasts of the Church are of real moment in the lives of church people—except the Sundays after Trinity.

Why is it that these are so neglected, if not as days of worship still as days of special significance in the Christian year? Special reasons are apparent. These Sundays, most of them, fall during the summer months. They begin, in fact, at a time of year when people are tired, when the "slack" season is at hand. And so they are as little noticed as some other important things during that season. Many people are away from their own parish churches throughout part or all of the summer; even when they faithfully attend church they do no parish work, and—more to the point than that—they are away from their own rectors and the sense of continuity is somewhat lost. From Stir Up Sunday to Trinity Sunday they have been led along the path of the Christian year, led by a leader with a plan: the rector. Summer comes, and they must go on by themselves.

Why do they not? We think the main reason is that they do not quite know how. It is always with hesitation that we suggest to rectors something more to do! But we do believe that they could do an immense service to their parishioners by indicating to them ways in which to make better use of the summer Sundays—the Sundays after Trinity. Books are the first aid that come to mind: there are not many, but there are a few good books of instructions on the Sundays of the Christian year. One of these, faithfully used, would help a family greatly to grasp the meaning of the summer Sundays. Bishop Whitehead's, for instance: and, of course, always, *The Christian Year*. People, lived a more rounded-out church year in the days when

everyone had a copy of *The Christian Year*, and read it regularly, Sunday by Sunday—and meditated upon the reading. There are other good books. And there is always the Prayer Book. If people only read the Collect, Epistle and Gospel for each of the Sundays after Trinity and thought about them, much would be gained. But the thought is necessary. After all, that is the whole secret of using to the full the Sundays after Trinity, or any other Sundays: thought. Too little has been given. Why not more during the season now beginning?

—The Churchman.

THE GROWTH OF A LITURGY

By Bishop Thompson

We have sometimes heard it objected to a liturgy, by non-liturgical Christians, that the repetition of the same prayers and praises must gradually dull the mind to their meaning and power. There is undoubtedly, to the undevout, some danger here. It is a danger, however, by no means confined to the users of a liturgy. The Word of God itself, by continual repetition, loses its meaning to the careless and irreverent. The soul is on probation in the use of all means of grace, and there is danger in all of spiritual deadness from familiarity. The danger should be recognized and guarded against in the use of a liturgy. Clergy and laity should both come to its solemn worship with minds and hearts attentive and prepared.

But it is not a repetition in itself that deadens the spiritual power of a liturgy, though we do acknowledge the danger. A knowledge of human nature shows that repetition is the very power of a liturgy, the secret of its hold on the heart. There is the reason why a liturgy cannot be extemporized, why an extemporized liturgy is the most barren of formalism.

A liturgy is a growth. It is the accumulation of centuries. It is the prayers of the holiest in the past. It is the praises of the saintliest of all ages. It comes down burdened with most sacred memories, sanctified with holiest and loftiest associations. These prayers have been the utterances of the greatest brains and the holiest hearts for centuries. These praises have been hallowed by the purest lips that ever spake. The petitions have gone up from dungeon cells, where

Christian heroes prepared to give life for faith. These hymns have rung in triumph round blazing pile and bloody block. Divinest sorrow has breathed these misereres. Divinest joy has winged these jubilates up to God. They are, at last, the concentrated worship of the Christian ages. Every pain and every gladness, every mournful defeat, every glorious triumph, in all the cycles of the Church's story, are living yet in these words of power. They have been whispered when an infant died; they have been wailed by the lips of a smitten nation asking mercy of a chastening God. They have echoed in the laborer's cottage, his thanksgiving for humble mercies to the lowly; they have rung through the vaulted roofs of grand cathedrals, a people's shout of glory for deliverance to the great "God of Battles." They are not one man's words, one heart's utterances. They are the world's words. They are humanity's cries to heaven for ages.

Thus has our liturgy grown. Thus does it come to us. Such a liturgy can never be made. Such a liturgy only grows. The oak of centuries stands by the hand of God. It has grown to what it is by His will. Men do not make either oaks or liturgies. They may prepare and plant the ground or both.

The growth of a liturgy into the individual heart and life is just the same process. Possibly the "Morning and Evening Prayer" speaks to no two souls alike, for the spiritual history of every devout heart is contained in those words that are "common" to all. There is just why that is its excellence, which those who do not know the philosophy of man consider its fault,—its common and general character. It asks what all men want. It gives voice to humanity's common needs, and offers common thanks for common blessings. And each soul finds, under these common formulas, the precise expression of its own special necessity or special thankfulness. * * *

It is the most beautiful thing about the liturgy, this gradual unfolding of its profound and personal sense in the phases of religious life; this process by which, in a certain sense, I appropriate each of them and make the general liturgy my own.

The prayers are used day by day. They seem to have all the meaning they can

have. I use them devoutly. One day a near friend sails away to a distant land. The words, familiar so long, fall from the pastor's lips, "That it may please Thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water," and I am startled by the new power of those words to me.

Again and again I hear the familiar Litany. I seem so thoroughly to possess its meaning. One day I learn that God has written down a dear sister, a widow, in His book; that she and her babies are desolate. The old familiar petition, "That it may please Thee to defend and provide for the fatherless children and widows," falls on my ear in the familiar tones. Henceforth it is my own, with a profounder meaning. From a heart touched by the finger of God the response, "We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord," comes with a depth of feeling, with a sense unknown before.

The priest stands at the altar. The sublime "Prayer for the Church Militant" falls from his lips in the people's name. I have heard it a thousand times, and I have entered into its power and spirit. I have been carried upward on its strong wings of supplication often.

A devoted father, a loving mother, dies. I have stood by the open grave and have heard the solemn words that committed that sacred dust to the earth till the morning of the resurrection. Again I hear the grand supplication at the altar side. Solemnly the well-known words fall upon the ear, "And we also bless Thy Holy Name for all Thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear." The old words are new. I feel their meaning now. The prayer, at last, under God's chastening hand, is mine. The pulses of another heart shall beat time, till death, to the solemn cadences of that majestic petition which joins earth and Paradise, the crowned dead and the struggling living both in one.

So grows a liturgy into the soul. There is the secret of its power among us. That is why, to Churchmen, extempore forms seem so dead and barren. The spiritual life of every devout Churchman has crystallized around those solemn sentences. They are not words only. To him they are living things.

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Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.

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Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.

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Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.

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Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.

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Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

Christ Church Chimes

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CHRIST CHURCH

Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.

CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily

VACATIONS ARE OVER

Vacations are over! The activities of the parish, which were suspended for the summer, are now resumed. Another year with all its wonderful opportunities opens up before us. It beckons us onward. What a privilege it is to accept the opportunities which God offers us to be of service to Him and to our fellowmen—to say, "Lord, here am I, use me!"

Vacations are over! Yes, but there is always a danger in vacation; a danger that vacations may foster habits of idleness and make it difficult for one promptly and fully to take up again in the fall, life's more serious problems and duties and responsibilities. It ought not to be so. The object of a vacation is, or should be, recreation, that is *re-creation*. A vacation should be a rest to mind and body and soul with this definite end in view—that one may return better fitted for life's work, with renewed vigor, nobler purposes and higher ideals. If this has not been the result of our vacation, then we have been unworthy of it and our vacation has been to us more harm than good.

Vacations are over! Our duty now and our privilege is to take our place immediately in the ranks of Christian service. There should be no delay, no procrastination. The call is plain. As soon as each returns from his vacation he should present himself before the altar in the House of God and offer unto God praise and thanksgiving and himself—his soul and body—as "a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice."

I have missed from Church this fall many persons, whom I had hoped to

see before now in their accustomed place of worship. I hope that very soon every member of Christ Church will be in his or her accustomed place in Church.

It cannot be that any devout soul, any true follower of Jesus Christ, will delay taking up his or her Christian duty and privilege.

Jesus call us; by Thy mercies,
Saviour make us hear Thy call;
Give our hearts to Thine obedience,
Serve and love Thee most of all.

STRANGERS AND OCCASIONAL ATTENDANTS

The Rector is pleased to see and to welcome the strangers and occasional worshippers who attend the Services of Christ Church. He is disappointed, however, that these strangers who attend occasionally, continue to remain "strangers." He is very anxious to meet them personally and to invite them to identify themselves with the Parish.

The Parish needs the co-operation of every one and every one needs a "Church Home." No one ought to be content to remain an "outsider," without a Church which he can call his own.

There are many religious people going through life without a "home." This is all wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that persons in this community, who are not settled in any Church, will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and to welcome them to Christ Church. Do not delay longer. *Do it now!*

CHRIST CHURCH CHIMES

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"THE RELIGIOUS TRAMP" PROBLEM

The following article is taken from the "Literary Digest."

"The religious tramp is a phenomenon of a serious nature. He is, indeed, a believer in a way, although he asserts with a pseudo-liberality that 'one church is as good as another.' He travels around to the 'special services' which one church after another serves up to secure a crowd. The churches often do not go behind the returns. There are crowds and they are crowds. The church tramp is a Christian who refuses to assume any responsibilities. He does not want to work regularly. He does not want to give regularly, though he drops a chance nickel into the plate. His attitude is one of unconcern with regard to the welfare of the churches. He gets his amusement and his sociability from the churches at the minimum of expense. He asks for no more. Just now in many communities the churches are actively competing for the presence of the church tramp. With concerts and secular lectures and moving pictures of doubtful religious value, they seek to bring the floaters to their places of worship. Their success is as transient as is the interest of the people who come. The cure for church tramps is a serious attitude on the part of the church. Smaller congregations may follow such an attitude, but they will be congregations yielding a more permanent harvest to religion. The serious-minded pastor may not be known just now as a crowd-getter, but he will be known in the end as a church builder. Meanwhile, the honest doubter outside the church is not offended by the flippancy in the face of problems which to him are of life-and-death importance. When the church makes her appeal to truth-seekers and not to the sensation-seekers, she will be a stronger church."

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

September 7th—Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
September 14th—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.
September 18th—St. Luke.
September 21—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.
September 28—St. Simon and St. Jude, Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.

EVENING PRAYER

EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON

—O—

I wish to call attention to the members of Christ Church to the Service of Evening Prayer which is held in the Church on Friday afternoons at five o'clock.

In former years few churches could be found that did not have a service on a week-day, an opportunity for people to gather together for an hour of prayer. The Wednesday evening "prayer meeting" was all but universal. We have lost much in giving up that devout practice and "the religious life" of church people, "between Sundays," has suffered, in consequence. We surely need to have our souls fed and nourished on week-days, as well as on Sundays. Our lives will be the better and happier for it.

The Holy Days, which frequently occur on week-days, afford us an opportunity to kneel at the altar and receive the Blessed Sacrament to "the strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ." These "Saint Days" or "Holy Days" are, indeed, oases in the routine of our daily lives.

Friday is the weekly recurrence of the great Day of Atonement. It has always been observed by the Church as a special day of "fasting and prayer." Have not many churchmen today forgotten this most helpful and inspiring practice and cut themselves off from a great source of spiritual blessing?

"What! Could ye not watch with me one hour?" said our Lord to His sleeping Apostles on the night when He stood facing the agonies of that first Good Friday.

What! Can we not, my good people of Christ Church, come apart from our daily tasks, on Friday, the weekly memorial of our Lord's Passion, and spend one hour—no, one-half hour—in meditation and prayer and converse with Him?

I pray that Christian people in this vicinity—church people and others—will bear in mind this weekly service of prayer and special intercessions, which are held in Christ Church on Friday afternoons. It should appeal to every Christian soul.

"Com' ye apart and rest awhile."

CHANGE OF HOUR OF CHURCH SERVICE

From the first Sunday in July to Sunday, September 16th, the mid-day Sunday service has been at 10.30 o'clock, Daylight Saving Time. Beginning Sunday, September 23rd, the mid-day Sunday Church Service will be at 11.00 o'clock, Daylight Saving Time. The Church School will begin its regular winter sessions in the Parish House on that Sunday at 9.45 A. M. Standard Time will be substituted for Daylight Saving Time on Sunday, September 30th.

CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL

Christ Church School resumed the regular sessions on Sunday morning, September 23rd, at 9.45 o'clock. There was a large attendance of scholars present and a majority of the teachers, but several were "conspicuous for their absence." It is hoped that every scholar and every teacher will be present before the first Sunday in October. We are going to have a live, interesting School this winter and we need every scholar and teacher we can get. There is a wonderful opportunity for genuine Christian service in Christ Church School and we cordially welcome every child and every young man and woman in this vicinity to our School, which meets in the Parish House every Sunday morning at 9.45.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class reopened for the fall and winter Bible study on September 9th. There was a good attendance but there is still room for many more men who may be interested in the work which is being carried on. At present the topics being considered are the Collects and this work will be continued through the church year, that is until Advent in November. After that it is planned to take up for the winter a series of subjects on the History of the Church in the First Centuries and down through the Middle Ages.

The members of the class are making a special effort to get everybody who can arrange to come to these sessions as they feel assured that all who can attend will benefit greatly by a better understanding of our Church and its teachings.

A. B. V.

The various Societies of the Parish are convening for their fall and winter's work. Every member of the Parish should be identified with some parish organization and actively co-operate in the work. A list of the Parish Organizations appears in this issue of the Chimes.

These various societies afford opportunity to every person, every boy and girl, every man and woman to engage in some form of Church work. The Rector will be glad to talk to any one who wishes to become identified with Church work. He may be seen after any service or by appointment at the Rectory.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

"Vacation Time" is over and again we must turn our thoughts to the duties of The Woman's Auxiliary. At the April meeting a motion was made and seconded to raise \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) before January 1st, 1924, to pay on the "Missionary Quota" of our Church. Consequently we have a busy season ahead of us and shall need the helping hand and support of every woman in our Parish, all of whom are in reality, members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Notices will be sent out from time to time, as our plans develop, as to the ways and means of raising the stated amount, and we shall hope to hear from you in a very real way. We have just given, as "our mite," \$100.00 from our Treasury, towards St. Luke's "barracks" hospital, in Tokio, Japan, which has to be rebuilt at once, in the great emergency there.

The Auxiliary meetings will continue this year as follows:

The business meeting will be held in the Parish House on the third Thursday of each month, at 2 P. M., promptly.

The sewing for missions, on the fourth Thursday at 2 P. M.

We are greatly in need of several new delegates for the different committees: are there not some women in our Parish who will volunteer for this work? It is all most interesting and inspiring and surely every woman in Christ Church wants to have a share in doing this work for the Master.

"Inasmuch as ye do it unto the least of these, ye do it unto me."

L. M. R.

BAPTIZED

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost."

September 16—Augusta Elizabeth Lipincott.

MARRIED

"Those Whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

September 15—William Bernard Kinnan, Dorothy Mary Weisner.

September 19—Lewis Hugh Ganse, Jennie Mair Dalsen.

MEMORIAL ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Society have charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years and any in the parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this "Memorial List" are invited to consult with the Rector and he will be pleased to assign them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their "Blessed Dead." After the Sunday service the flowers are sent to the sick in the Parish or to Hospitals.

That the congregation may know, each Sunday, in whose memory the flowers are, a list of the names departed will be published from month to month in the "Chimes."

On the "days of remembrance" it will be sweet to come to God's House and in His presence recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile"; to kneel before the altar and to feel their nearness and unite with them and all God's Saints in one common worship—"knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord."

Persons who wish to have a Sunday for "memorial flowers" may apply to any member of the Altar Guild or to the Rector. Cards, bearing the names of those in whose memory the flowers are given, should always accompany the flowers.

NOTICE! RUMMAGE SALE!

A Rummage Sale for the benefit of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House, in November (date to be decided upon later).

Please, ladies and gentlemen of the Parish, save all of your cast-off possessions, of any kind or description, for us and send the same to the Parish House as soon as possible. If you can not deliver them to us, we shall be glad to "send our truck" to call for them!

Kindly notify the writer.—Mrs. L. M. Robinson, 48 E. Washington Lane, Germantown. Phone, Gtn. 7756.

TROOP NO. 153, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

No doubt a lot of people in Christ Church are ignorant of the fact that Troop No. 153, Boy Scouts, meets in their Parish House every Monday night at 7.45. Those of you who want to see a bunch of real, up-to-date boys, drop in some Monday night and look us over. This past summer, we took a two weeks' trip to the Catskill Mountains. That is a real place for real campers. During our stay there, we saw a wildcat and killed five porcupines. We had a dandy time, too. If you want to find out more about the Wilderness Hike and the good time that we had on it, ask any fellow that went.

EDW. F. RAGLAND.

RELIEF FOR JAPAN

The following letter has been sent to the clergy of the Diocese by the Executive Committee, appealing to the members of the Church for financial help to meet the urgent need of our missions and missionaries in the devastated region of Japan.

DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA
CHURCH HOUSE

202 So. 19th Street, Philadelphia.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1923.

TO THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA:

Since the notice that was sent you on the 8th instant, important developments have occurred in connection with the situation in Japan. Word has been received from the National Council, as follows:

"Our estimate, based on Bishop McKim's Cable indicates \$500,000 NEEDED IMMEDIATELY."

This \$500,000 includes the Emergency Hospital asked for by Dr. Teusler, and estimated to cost \$100,000; it also includes furnishing our own missionaries with clothing, furniture and temporary homes, and finally aiding the new Christian Church of Japan in taking care of its clergy; their salaries and necessities of life at the present time.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of our Diocesan Council held today, it was unanimously decided to adopt an emergency budget for Japanese relief of at least \$50,000—this being estimated as the fair share in this Diocese of the \$500,000 asked for by the National Council; it was further decided that as this \$50,000 is almost exactly ten per cent of the Budgets of our Parishes, each Parish should be asked to raise ten per cent of its Missionary Budget for this special need. The share of your Parish thus estimated is \$513.05.

It is desired, that in view of the pressing needs, returns from each Parish shall be made not later than the *first week in October*. The *first* \$10,000 received will be applied toward the pledge of that amount for *Dr. Teusler's hospital*.

We ask our people to remember that this is an emergency Budget, and is in addition to the regular Quota for Diocesan and Missionary work, which we are hoping will be met in full by the end of the year. Also it seems only fair to add that the \$500,000 fund referred to in this notice is simply for emergency relief; it will not help to rebuild and restore the property which the Church has lost as a result of the earthquake. In all probability the National Council will make plans for such restoration, and our people will be asked to contribute generously for this purpose at some later date.

The above program has been communicated to Bishop Rhinelander and has his full approval.

Faithfully yours,
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

An offering was taken in our Church for this worthy cause on Sunday, September 16th. As the "Chimes" goes to press, the amount received is not known. Many of our people, however, had not returned to their homes at the time this offering was taken and were, therefore, deprived of the opportunity of giving at that time. Any who were not present on that Sunday may send their checks to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Edward Bains, 104 Harvey Street. The need is urgent. Please send contribution, if possible, before October 1st.

POOR CHILDREN'S OUTING FUND

The amount received from the members of Christ Church for the Poor Children's Outing Fund was \$162.20. This was divided among the "Children's Country Week Association," the "Union Settlement House," the "Bedford Street Mission" and the "Episcopal City Mission," organizations which are doing social work among the poor of our city.

During June the Rector visited many so-called "homes" of families, the names of which had been given to him by two of the above organizations, and selected the children who were considered the most worthy and needy of help.

The following letters, received by the Rector, will show how highly the contributions of Christ Church people were appreciated by the organizations through which these poor children were sent into the country or to the seashore for a week or ten days:

AUGUST, 1923.

REV. CHAS. HENRY ARNDT, D. D.,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Phila., Pa.

DEAR SIR:

We thank you for your letter enclosing annual contribution from the Christ Episcopal Church of Germantown.

Our whole Organization very much appreciates the active and substantial interest which you have been taking in our work, and sincerely hope that we may warrant the continuation of it. * * * *

We enclose herewith our receipt for your contribution, and hope that you will call at the Mission whenever you have

an opportunity, for such personal interest which you have been giving to our work is a great encouragement to our Workers.

Very sincerely,
BEDFORD STREET MISSION
WM. T. LEWELLYN, Sec. & Treas.

AUGUST 11, 1923.

REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.,
Orr's Island, Maine.
MY DEAR DR. ARNDT:

We have received information from the Diocese of the generous gift for the Children's Summer Fund from Christ Church and from the Sunday School for the same purpose, making \$70.00 in all for the use of the City Mission in its summer work.

I want to take this opportunity of expressing to you our heartfelt appreciation for this generous remembrance from Christ Church and the Sunday School and I hope you will express these sentiments to each and every member of your parish, as it is the kind of work that does more good than can be expressed in figures. It may mean the saving of a life of a mother and child and it is bound to mean better health and strength to meet the hard problems of life which face all those who will receive the benefit of this gift.

May God bless each and every one of the givers and may their summer be even more satisfactory and beneficial to them because of their generous remembrance of God's poor.

With best wishes, I am

Most cordially yours,
H. CRESSON MCHENRY,
General Secretary.

GRACE UNION SETTLEMENT HOUSE,
1032 Federal St., Phila.

REV. CHAS. HENRY ARNDT, D. D.,
Germantown, Pa.

DEAR DR. ARNDT:

Thank you so much for your kind contribution toward sending our poor little children to the country. It has been an untold blessing to them.

I should like to tell you about several of the families benefited. One, a poor widow with six delicate children whom she is struggling to support. Poor half-starved little things! It would have re-

joined your heart to have seen them on their return. They looked like different children.

Another was a family of eleven who live in a little three-room house. Ten were sent out. They were so happy they thought it was Heaven.

Again thanking you and praying God to richly bless you for your kindness to these His little ones, I am

Gratefully yours,
ANNIE M. MILLER, Supt.

WE BELONG TO A CHURCH, NOT A PARISH

We are accustomed to hear the word "Church" applied to a local congregation. We use it ourselves in the same way. But with us, speaking accurately, the Church is our entire communion. The local organization is simply a parish, an outpost, a garrison. A garrison in an outpost does not think of itself as the army. A ship is not the navy. A local post office is not the postoffice department. The visit of the Bishop reminds us that we belong to a Church, not to a parish; that we are part of the army, not simply a garrison; that we are enlisted in the navy, not in a ship. The Bishop is the outward and visible sign that we belong to a great, historic, age-long, world-wide institution, which has outposts everywhere, and that we have all its resources back of us and its power within us. Confirmation is not administered by the rector of the parish, who represents only the local congregation. It is administered by the Bishop, who represents the entire Church. We are admitted, therefore, into the communion not of the local congregation or parish. The Bishop's act accomplishes something far wider than that. We are taken into the communion and fellowship of the entire Church throughout the world, including every parish, mission, outpost or garrison under the Church's jurisdiction. That is why we are Churchmen, not Congregationalists. That is why it is that our imagination is stirred and our enthusiasm is kindled by the world-wide institution more than by the local organization. For while we are registered in and attached to a given parish, our citizenship is in the all-including Church.

A PRECIOUS LEGACY

Persons who have not had the advantage of the beautiful service of our Church in their earlier years often become in their later years, when this privilege is enjoyed by them, the most enthusiastic admirers of our service and the most devoted and loyal members of the Church. They are able from their experience to contrast the barrenness and emptiness of other forms with the richness and fulness of the grand historic liturgy of the Church. The following extract from the memoirs of Prof. Austin Phelps, the scholarly Congregational preacher, shows how an "outsider" regards the services of the Church:

"The Liturgy of the Episcopal Church has become very precious to me. The depth of its meaning it seems to me nobody can fathom who has not experienced some sorrow. We have lost much in parting with the prayers of Old Mother Church, and what have we gained in their places? I do not feel in extemporaneous prayer the deep undertone of devotion which rings out from the old collects of the Church like the sounds of ancient bells. I longed for and prayed for, and, worst of all, waited for, some sublime and revolutionary change of heart; and when that was, as a fact of a child's experience, I have not the remotest idea. If I had been trained in the Episcopal Church, I should at the time have been confirmed and entered upon a consciously religious life and grown up into Christian living of the Episcopal type."

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

Subscriptions through the envelope system, who have been away during the summer, are very generally paying the amounts that they have omitted giving during their absence. It is very gratifying to the Warden to receive these arrears as he depends upon them to meet his financial obligations.

It is hoped that all subscribers who may be in arrears will kindly make them up at their earliest convenience.

AN ANNUAL MEMBER CANVASS

The annual "Every Member Canvass" that is being held in all the parishes throughout the country has not been held in Christ Church Parish for two years. There is a need that such a canvass be held, and the Vestry will inaugurate an "Every Member Canvass" early in the year.

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS. WHY ANNUALLY?

Because:

1. Some will have grown in grace.
2. Some will have increased their knowledge of the Church's programme, and so will have developed new interest.
3. The income of some will have increased.
4. Some may have suffered loss of income; opportunity should be given them to reduce pledges if necessary, without embarrassment.
5. Some will have been added by Confirmation or transfer; these should be enrolled as contributors.
6. Experience proves that without an annual renewal a large percentage of contributors is lost. Even when people simply renew pledges made "until revoked," it is helpful in keeping their pledges "alive."
7. Courtesy dictates that *Every Member* should be visited, lest feelings be hurt by distinctions between canvassed and nuncanvassed.
8. Those who have made pledges for a definite period longer than one year are entitled to the recognition of a visit and of up-to-date information on the progress of the Church's work.
9. It is the best method known for keeping the entire membership enlisted.
10. It promotes fellowship.
11. It is of great educational value to the canvasser.
12. The perfect canvass has not yet been held.
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The Rector's Notes

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6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE CHIMES

All subscriptions to the CHIMES have expired. A new number, the twenty-third consecutive year of its publication, begins with this number.

It is asked that every member of the parish will send fifty cents to Mr. Frederick Lennig, 316 High Street, Germantown, for a year's subscription. Contributions of a larger amount to help defray the expense of the publication, will be gratefully received.

FAMILY SUNDAY

A Special Message to Parents and to Young People

MY DEAR FRIENDS:

There is a matter of great importance which has weighed heavily on my heart for a long time, and I feel sure it must weigh heavily on the hearts of many Rectors. It is the decadence in these days of what was formerly known as the "family pew."

Not so many years ago Church-going by the whole family was an established habit. The family pew was an institution, just as much as the family table.

To many of us older men and women one of the most hallowed memories of our childhood days, is that of father and mother and the children of the household attending Divine service together and all sitting together in the family pew on the "Lord's Day." Often, two and three generations could be seen seated together in God's house, for His worship and praise.

The family, as a unit, attended the

Services of the Church. No other engagements were made. Nothing was allowed to interfere. Inclement weather, even, did not cause the family pew to remain vacant, nor did trifling illness.

This beautiful custom is one of the old things that deserves to survive. The change in living conditions does not provide a valid alibi.

A wise suggestion has been made by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to aid in the restoration of this beautiful and helpful custom. It is to have a *Family Sunday*, when every family in the parish shall attend Divine Service, as a unit, coming together and sitting together in the Church. This appeals to me very strongly and I feel certain that it will also meet with the hearty endorsement of every parent in our parish. We all realize the seriousness of the present day influences which are tending to disintegrate the family life and family worship. It is, therefore, the duty of every conscientious parent and of every seriously minded boy and girl to exert every effort and to employ every means to guard the "home" from the insidious influences which today are fast tending toward its destruction and ruin.

Something must be done, and it must be done at once. I am asking, therefore, every parent and every boy and girl in the parish to co-operate with me in making a beginning. *I want to make Sunday, December 23rd, a Family Sunday in this parish.*

I urge that *Every Family in the Parish shall be present, AS A UNIT*, at the eleven o'clock service on Sunday morning, December 23rd. This will be the Fourth Sunday in Advent, the Sunday next be-

PARISH NOTES

Editor

THE RECTOR

All communications should be addressed to the Rector.

THE CHIMES will be issued on the Third Sunday of each month.

All copy intended for publication must be sent to the Rector at least TEN DAYS before the date of publication.

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The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

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Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.

Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.

Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.

Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Auxiliary)—Third Thursday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday, 4 P. M.

Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Vestment Guild—First Friday.

St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45 P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions, 5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves with the Parish are requested to hand their names and addresses to the Rector. He will be pleased to call on them and to welcome them to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free and unassigned. The support of the work depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the Congregation. All are cordially welcomed and are invited to contribute regularly by pledging themselves to pay weekly through the Envelope System such sums as they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, the sum of

..... dollars for the purpose of the Endowment Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires that a will containing a bequest to religious or charitable purposes must be executed at least one month before decease, and be attested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise the bequest is void.

fore Christmas Day.

It will be an opportune time, a time when the scattered members of the household will be turning their ways homeward, to be together on Christmas Day in the "family home."

Let us make it, also, an occasion when all members of the family will meet together in their "Church home"—father, mother and children, two generations and perhaps, three generations, coming together, sitting together, and kneeling together in united praise and prayer and worship.

Will it not be an inspiring sight? Will not such a scene bring back to the older members blessed memories of days long gone by, when they, too, worshiped side by side with loving parents in the "family pew?" Will it not help to impress our children, in this restless, ruthless age, when so many influences are striving to break up the family unity,—will not such a scene and such an experience, now so rare and uncommon, help to impress our children with the sanctity of the "family life" and the beauty and holiness of the "sweet hour of prayer."

And should there be some member of the family "absent" from the family pew on that "Family Sunday," will not our thoughts and prayers go out to them and be with them and they be with us, as we kneel and pray, "Our Father"

On that "Family Sunday," as parents and children kneel together before God's altar in united prayer and praise and worship, surely, the limitations of time and space shall fade away, and we will look up and through and beyond the gates of Paradise into that higher and fuller life above and feel the holy influence of those "absent ones" flowing back into our lives, and "see those angel faces smile, which we have loved long since and lost awhile."

One family, we dwell in Him,

One Church, above, beneath;

Though now divided by the stream.

The narrow stream of death."

It will be the power of this truth that will lay hold upon the hearts of old and young alike, as they, united in one family, meet together in God's house on "Family Sunday" and join in common prayer and praise and worship to Him Who is the Father of the living and the dead.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

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The First Sunday in Advent (December 2nd) ushers in the annually recurring Season of Advent. Four weeks before Christmas, we are called upon to prepare for the coming of our Lord. "Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

The First Sunday in Advent is the beginning of the Church or the Christian New Year.

"Thus it happens," says Bishop Cox, "that in the Kingdom of Heaven, we live in advance of the world; we are a whole month on our way before the civil year begins. In this way our Holy Mother, the Church, teaches us to be ever on the alert, looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Day of God."

The Christian year, beginning with the Season of Advent, is so arranged as to bring before us the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. This aim is carried out by means of special Collects, Epistles and Gospel, by special Lessons, and in certain cases by special selections of psalms.

The season of Advent, so called from the Latin *Adventus*, a coming, is intended to prepare our minds for the celebration of the coming of our Lord, both on that first Christmas Day and also on that great last Day when we shall all appear before the judgment seat of God. It is impossible for us, as Christians, to enter into the joy of Christmas unless we realize the object for which Christ came into the world—viz: to save not merely from the guilt and consequences but from the power of sin.

Thus, the season of Advent, in its Lessons, Epistles and Gospels, strongly mingles the most joyous with the most appalling thoughts; for while it strikes the keynote of our Christmas rejoicings, it dwells on this first Advent with special reference to its bearings on that which is yet future when "He shall come again to judge both the quick and the dead."

How helpful to the soul this annual "awakening," and setting forward towards Christ's appearing and towards immortality!

Christ tells us: "Watch, therefore, for we know not when the Master of the House cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning; lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping."

The Christian year, which, as we have said, begins with Advent, is divided, for practical and doctrinal purposes, into two parts. In the first or festal part of the year—that is from Advent to Trinity—the Epistles and Gospels are selected for their appropriateness to the teachings of the doctrine of the day or season; in the second, or non-festal part of the year—that is, from Trinity to Advent—they follow a certain regularity, setting forth the practical life, which should flow out of these doctrines or teachings.

By this method of the Christian year the Church brings before her people the leading events in our Lord's life and the leading principles of Christian faith and conduct. Nothing essential is lost; nothing is added. It is a well rounded teaching of the Christian faith and life.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

On Christmas Day every Churchman will wish to come to the House of God and there as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ?—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means meeting with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! Wise men ever bring gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethelhem—offerings of their earthly substance, offerings of worship and adoration, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones, offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church, and the offerings of "ourselves, our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who has given to us to be our Pattern and our Guide.

That every communicant may kneel be-

fore Him on the day of His Nativity and offer unto Him "their hearts deepest devotions." Holy Communion will be celebrated in this Church at 6.30, 7.30 and 11.00 o'clock. Everyone, who is physically able, will want to come to at least one of these Services. The happiest Christmas is the one that is filled with Christ and His love.

A NEW CHURCH CALENDAR FOR 1924 WITH BIBLE READINGS

In place of the usual "Christ Church Calendar," that has been provided in this parish for several years past, the Rector has adopted this year a "Calendar with Bible Readings" together with a Manual of Family Prayers, which has been gotten out by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The purpose of this new Calendar and Manual of Prayers is to encourage the custom of family prayer and to provide a means by which family prayer may be readily and regularly conducted in every household.

No argument is necessary to support the statement that every Christian household should aim to have family devotions.

This new Church Calendar indicates a short Bible selection to be read each day, privately or in family prayer. These readings are arranged appropriate to the Church seasons. The "Manual of Prayer," accompanying the Calendar is a book of forty-four pages, containing "a very simple and flexible plan of Family Prayer to be used with the series of Bible readings set forth on the Church Calendar."

The prayers themselves are brief, personal and helpful. Even the inexperienced can, with comparative ease, begin the custom of Family Prayer. A trial will convince the most skeptical of the naturalness and simplicity of the plan.

The Church Calendar is in clear, bold type. The Rector has had printed at the top of the page the title of Christ Church, Germantown, together with the list of the Church services.

The Calendar is provided with a cord, so that it can be hung on the wall. The Manual of Prayer is, of course, separate and is intended to accompany the Calendar. They will not be sold separately.

By special arrangement with the publishers both the Calendar and Manual

may be purchased for fifty cents. They may be purchased from the Verger.

Every home in the parish should be provided with this Calendar and Manual.

In every home there should be a daily reading of the Bible, together with daily prayer.

Buy several sets and send them to friends, thus encouraging and extending the custom of daily Bible reading and prayer.

The Calendar should be purchased at once, as it begins with the Season of Advent, the beginning of the Church year.

The Calendar and Manual make appropriate gifts for Christmas and New Year.

SPECIAL SERVICE FOR MEN

On the Second Sunday Evening of Each Month

The following letter to the men of the parish has been issued by the Men's Bible Class through its President:

DEAR FRIENDS:

The need of a service of particular interest to men, has been felt for some time and at the request of the Rector, the Men's Bible Class has undertaken to supply this need during the fall and winter.

Upon the second Sunday evening of each month a special service will be held and speakers both clerical and lay, have been invited to make addresses which will appeal to the men especially.

In order that these services may be successful the support of the men of our Parish is needed, not only by attending themselves but by asking other men to come with them.

Please reserve the Sunday Evening of each month for this service and with the co-operation of every man make this series of services not only successful, numerically, but helpful to our Church, our Parish and ourselves.

Sincerely,

HERBERT A. FEIST,

President, Men's Bible Class.

The following clergymen have been invited by the Rector to speak at the Men's Special Service on the first Sunday evening of each month.

These speakers will have a strong, virile message to give to the men of the Church. Let every man in the Parish

come and bring with him a friend. Women are invited and it is hoped will endeavor to interest the men to attend these services on the second Sunday evening of this month.

the Rev. John H. Lever.

Second Sunday in October (14th)—

The Rev. Howard W. Gernand
Rector, House of Prayer, Branchtown.

Second Sunday in November (11th)—

The Rev. H. Crisson McHenry
City Mission, Philadelphia.

Second Sunday in December (9th)—

The Rev. John H. Lever
Rector Church of the Advocate, Phila.

Second Sunday in January (13th)—

The Rev. Z. B. T. Phillips, D. D.
Rector Church of the Saviour, Phila.

Second Sunday in February (10th)—

The Rev. George H. Toop, D. D.
Rector Church of the Holy Apostles,
Philadelphia.

Second Sunday in March (9th)—

The Rev. Charles E. Spalding
Rector Church of the Advocate,
Kennett Square.

Second Sunday in April (13th)—

Second Sunday in May (11th)—
The Rev. Edward M. Jefferys, D. D.
Rector Old St. Peter's Church, Phila.

Second Sunday in June (8th)—

To be announced.

MR. BOLAY RESIGNS AS VERGER

Mr. Philip Bolay, who has served as Verger at Christ Church for the past number of years, handed his resignation to the Vestry at their last meeting held in October. Mr. Bolay feels that he is no longer able to attend to the duties of his position, owing to his advanced age. He has given the Church faithful service and it is regretted by all that he is no longer able to remain with us, as sexton. He will, however, remain in the parish and, with his wife, will continue his faithful attendance at the services.

At a meeting of the Vestry resolutions of appreciation of his faithful services were passed, and a gift of money was presented to him from members of the Vestry.

Mr. Robert H. Wass has been appointed Verger. Mr. Wass is a consulting engineer. He began his duties on November 1st.

A LETTER FROM THE ACCOUNTING WARDEN

The subscribers to the envelope system will notice that the envelopes given to them last Easter will expire December 30th next. New envelopes will be ready for distribution at that time and the fiscal year of the church will hereafter be from January 1st to December 31st in order to conform with the church year now adopted by the diocese. This will save the accounting warden much unnecessary work in making the different reports requested by the Diocese.

Should any members of the Parish who are not at present subscribing through the envelopes desire to do so, if they will give or send their names to either the Rector or the accounting warden, they will be supplied with envelopes for the coming year.

The accounting warden would urge that any one delinquent in their payments for the present year will endeavor to make up all back payments so that the new year will commence with no unpaid pledges to carry forward and that the Church may end its year out of debt which is a condition to be desired by every member who has the good of our Church at heart.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.

REV. MR. VOSSLER TO BE ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The Rev. A. B. Vossler, who has been serving in Christ Church as Deacon during the past two years, will be ordained to the Priesthood on St. Thomas' Day, Friday, December 21. The ordination will be held in St. James' Church, 22nd and Walnut Streets, at 10.30 o'clock.

The many friends, whom Mr. Vossler has made in this parish since he has been in Christ Church, heartily congratulate him on his ordination to the sacred ministry. He will have the earnest prayers of the congregation that "Almighty God, the Giver of all good gifts will give him grace and so replenish him with the truth of His doctrine and endue him with purity of life, that he may faithfully serve before God, to the glory of His great name, and the benefit of the Holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

December 2—First Sunday in Advent.
December 9—Second Sunday in Advent.
December 16—Third Sunday in Advent.
December 19, 21, 22—Ember Days.
December 21—St. Thomas.
December 23—Fourth Sunday in Advent.
December 25—CHRISTMAS DAY.
December 26—St. Stephen's.
December 27—St. John, Evangelist.
December 28—Holy Innocents.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The services on Christmas Day will be as follows: Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 A. M. Shortened Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, 11.00 A. M.

The music will include the following: Processional—"Christian, Awake, Salute the Happy Morn."

Venite	Rimbault
Introit, Te Deum	Scott-Hunter
Kyrie	Brown
Hymn—"Hark; the Herald Angels Sing"	
Offertory Anthem—"O Come All Ye Faithful"	Novello
Sursum Corda	Camidge
Benedictus and Agnus Dei	Scott-Hunter
Gloria in Excelsis	Old Chant
Recessional—"Oh Little Town of Bethlehem!"	

Owen J. W. Burness, Organist and Choir-Master

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

We opened our regular school on September 23rd with 166 present. We will miss some teachers who have had to give up their work and we welcome Mrs. Hallock, Miss Pinkerton, Miss Drayton and Mr. Carl Mostellar as teachers for this year.

The attendance has been unusually good this fall and has been gradually increasing. On November 4th it was 212, which was the highest in over 5 years. For the eight Sundays since "Rally Day" Mr. Clausen has had a "Star" class seven times, the next being Mr. Mostellar's with four times.

Our Summer work for the Seamen's Mission will be presented next week and a report of the amount made later.

"Thanksgiving"

Our Thanksgiving offering of cans of food, that is, vegetables, soups, etc., is to be brought to the Sunday School on Sunday morning, December 2nd. DO NOT FORGET THE DATE. Dr. Arndt says that he gave away last winter the 500 packages that we brought in last year. If every teacher and scholar brought in only 3 cans we would have nearly 800. We can surely do this.

For our Advent work it is proposed that we sell Christmas Candy and add it to our mite box fund for missions next Easter. We made over \$60 this way last spring and we ought to double as everyone eats twice as much candy at Christmas as they do at Easter. Every member of the church who reads this should "wait and buy your candy from us."

Christmas Entertainment

This will be held on Holy Innocents' Day, Friday, December 28th. It will consist of a short Christmas play, given by the members of the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church, followed by "a special feature of fun," by outside talent.

Of course, Santa Claus will be present and will have a "Christmas remembrance" for all the "good" boys and girls of the school. Parents and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to this entertainment.

Christmas Carol Service

will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon after Christmas, December 30th, at 3.30 and a Pageant will be given by members of the school. A description of this Pageant appears below. Every parent and friend of the school who saw the Pageant we gave last Easter, we know will want to see this one.

R. H. M.

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A CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

To be given in Christ Church

A pageant entitled "The Nativity" will be presented by members of the Sunday School at their annual Christmas Carol Service in the Church on Sunday evening, December 30th.

"The Nativity" is composed entirely of selections from the Bible, arranged in dramatic form on the plan of a mystery play, picturing the incidents of the Gospel story of the Nativity and accompanied by Christmas carols. The pageant has a three-fold appeal—the Bible words, accompanied by music, and with the actual scenes of the Nativity story.

There are four scenes—the first is the Temple scene when the Angel Gabriel brings his message of joy to Zacharias and Elizabeth; the second is the Annunciation scene; the third shows the Shepherds in the field when the Angel appears unto them and tells them that they will find the young babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger; and the last scene is the Nativity scene with the coming of the three Wise Men and the presentation of their gifts. As they are leaving, the Angel appears to Joseph, telling him to flee with Mary and the Babe into Egypt.

The pageant will appeal to everyone and will make the Christmas story more real and more spiritual to all of us, and especially to those who are taking part in it on December 30th. M. M. C.

A CHRISTMAS PLAY

By the G. F. S.

The Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church will give a short sketch as part of the Christmas entertainment for the Sunday School on Friday evening, December 28, in the Parish House. The sketch will be entitled "Christmas at Skeeter Corner." This is a humorous little play representing a school of fifty years ago and its preparation for its Christmas entertainment.

The principal character—The Teacher—will be taken by Miss Edna Nagele, the present Chairman of the G. F. S. Silas, a tall, gawky boy, will be presented by Miss Alma Hagey. The other characters will be taken by the Misses Robin-

son, Courtney, Clifton, Van Dusen, Hagey, Church, with the rest of the members representing the school.

The Candidate Class of the G. F. S. is a rousing active lot of girls from six to fourteen years. This is the feeder for the Girls' Friendly Society, and from its number and activity we need not fear for the future of this organization. Mrs. Eleanor Christ is the Associate who has it in charge, with the assistance of Helen and Martha McHenry and Sarah Drayton.

MRS. TOPLIFFE JOHNSON,
Branch Secretary.

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THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Our work is well under way for the winter and the interest that is shown, by not only those of the "faithful few" but by a number of new members, gives us reason to believe that we shall have a most successful year. The proceeds from the recent Rummage Sale amounted to \$130.00. (We expect to hold another, later on during the winter). The Cake and Apron Sales held in November, will bring us in about \$100.00, so that with the \$70.00 in hand, derived from the Rummage Sale last spring we shall have about \$300.00 to pay on our "pledge" for the quota. We are planning other ways and means of raising the other \$200.00 of which you will hear later. The cakes given for our Saturday Sales have been delicious and we could have disposed of a good many more. We shall probably have two more of these Cake Sales in December, on Saturday, December 1st, and Saturday December 15th.

Please remember that each and every woman who is a communicant of Christ Church is in reality a member of the Woman's Auxiliary (the Woman's Missionary Society), and that this work is your work just as much as it is that of the active members of the Auxiliary. Only by the concerted efforts of all the women of our Parish can we accomplish the bigger things which are awaiting us.

L. M. R.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

FOR DECEMBER

The flowers which are placed on the altar on Sundays are gifts from friends and relatives in memory of the departed. The Sunday nearest the anniversary of their death or their birthday, or wedding anniversary is selected and the departed are remembered in our prayers at the altar on that day.

After the service the flowers are taken to the sick in the parish. Persons who wish to contribute flowers for the altar are asked to consult the Rector in regard to the date of their "memorial Sunday."

Names of persons contributing flowers during December are:

First Sunday in Advent, Mrs. Ellen Wilcox, Mr. Gebhardt.

Second Sunday in Advent, Mr. Rayner, Mr. George Warr.

Third Sunday in Advent, Mrs. Ruth Bjornsgaard, Mrs. Andrew Lindsay.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, Mrs. H. C. Thompsons, The Misses MacNaughton, Mrs. O. C. Lippincott.

Sunday after Christmas, Miss Stickney.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. resumed its regular meetings on October 2nd, and at the first large meeting we planned our winter's program with even greater enthusiasm than before.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Miss Edna Naegle; Vice-Chairman, Miss Hilda Ellis; Treasurer, Miss Helen Wertsner; Secretary, Miss Sara Clifton.

Chairman, Committee of Membership, Miss Helen Robinson.

Chairman, Committee of Entertainment, Miss Grace Gerhard.

The basket ball season will open again under the capable direction of Mrs. Iris Shock.

Among our many plans are to form classes for various activities during the winter, the leaders of which have not been chosen. A stringed orchestra is also being formed by the members.

Since the work has now begun we hope to add many new members to our happy throng and we extend a hearty welcome to all girls over fourteen years of age.

S. P. C.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class has just finished the study of The Collects with the end of the Church Year, and beginning with Advent take up the lessons outlined in the Church Calendar, published by The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, for the coming season. The study of these Scripture lessons should prove of great value and interest to all men, and it is sincerely hoped that many will avail themselves of the privilege of attending these discussions of Christian belief and practice not only for their own edification but also for the incentive it will prove to better living and the increased knowledge it will give of the Holy Writ.

The lessons cover a wide range of reading—The Law of the Prophets, and the Gospels. While the topics themselves are taken mostly from the Epistles of the New Testament.

All men are cordially invited to these sessions of the Bible Class, which are held in the Parish House, on Sunday mornings at 10 o'clock. A. B. V.

A NEW ORGAN

About the time that this issue of the CHIMES goes to press, a musical entertainment will be given in the auditorium of the Woman's Club of Germantown for the benefit of the fund for installing a new organ in Christ Church.

The organ has been called the "King of Instruments" and its majestic tones are a recognized necessity in the effective rendering of Christian worship.

The only exception to this is in the Greek Catholic Church where vocal music is unaccompanied but in the reorganization which that church is at present undergoing it is possible that the organ will be utilized.

Some sects which were projected along crude, primitive ideas of worship have, in the evolution of a single century, adopted the organ and are thus enabled to avail themselves of some of the gems of majestic worship.

The organ has been always a *sine qua non* to the proper rendering of Anglican worship and in cathedral and chapel alike it adds to the effectiveness of our glorious liturgy.

Organs, like other things, occasionally wear out and that in Christ Church is no exception. It is about as old as the church and its decrepitude has, at last, made its replacement imperative.

Even now some of its pipes retain their sweetness and may be incorporated in a new instrument.

It is a satisfaction to know (and it may be also a compliment to our organist) that our organ has outlived at least three others in Germantown churches which while only half its age have had to be replaced by new instruments.

Now that we are forced to place a new organ in Christ Church let every member do his part to make it a speedy realization so that our music may in all respects be worthy of this old mother church.

T. H. C.

OFFERING FOR THE SUFFERERS IN JAPAN

Mr. Edward Bains, our Accounting Warden, reports the offerings which he has received to date for the sufferers from the earthquake in Japan amount to date to \$440.06. This includes the offering from the Men's Bible Class, \$40.00 and 100.00, each, from the Women's Auxiliary and from a "personal Friend."

If there are others, who wish to give to this cause, will they please place their contribution on the alms plate at any service, or send it to the Accounting Warden, 104 Harvey Street.

We note in the Evening Bulletin of November 21st an account of a church in Des Moines, Iowa, that has posted on its service board before the church building the following notice:

"A hearse is a poor vehicle to come to Church in! Why wait?"

We solemnly and affectionately submit these words to some persons in this vicinity: *"A hearse is a poor vehicle to come to Church in. Why Wait?"*

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THE NEED OF RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

During the past summer, I have had the privilege of reading an article, entitled the "Need of Religious Education," written by the Rev. W. E. Patterson, Rector of St. Saviour's Church, Bar Harbor, Maine, and published in the "North East," the diocesan paper. It had been my intention to write on the same subject for the October number of the "Christ Church Chimes," but as Mr. Patterson, in his published article, has expressed my own thoughts on this important subject so fully and so much more clearly and strongly than I could hope to do, I have ventured to publish his article in this issue of the "Chimes," heartily endorsing it and commending it to every member of this parish, and especially to parents and others who have the interest of young people at heart.

Mr. Patterson says: "In a country that is actuated by Christian principles and influenced by Christian ideas it is essential that the citizens should have a grounding, at least, in the first principles of the Christian religion. We claim to be a Christian nation and we cannot keep the claim long if we allow a few more generations to pass, who are ignorant of what the Christian religion is."

To many minds the Christian religion seems to be a hazy, nebulous, indistinct sort of an emotion that prompts to benevolence and kind deeds but of not much force or account when manly qualities are called into action. We perhaps are not consciously aware though we may be mentally of the amount of ignorance prevalent on the subject of the Christian religion. It was painfully brought to our attention during the war when the young men concentrated in the training camps were asked to state their religious views. Much has been written on the subject and we know that it was the despair of the chaplains and a real anxiety to Christian people. The majority of the young men were filled with high ideals and the spirit of service and sacrifice and yet were really ignorant of the great power of God's Spirit by which these ideals are brought to their consummation. Christian ideals are innate in the large majority of the people of this country being inherited from the relig-

ious fervor of their sturdy ancestors. To say and think that these will continue to actuate our people while we allow the knowledge and spirit that sustains them to pass away is a fallacy. As well might we expect a noble building to stand when the foundations are taken from under it. We turn to our schools and universities and we find that the ignorance of the Bible and the Christian religion are no less appalling. You may have read in the Literary Digest of April 21, the results of an examination on the Bible in the University of South Dakota. Eight quotations from the Bible were asked of 139 students and only eight and a half per cent passed an average of seventy-five, the average of the whole body being less than forty per cent. Seven per cent could not name a book of the old Testament and eight and a half per cent were not able to mention a single book of the New Testament. What is true of this university is no less true of others. The rising generation knows less of the Bible and the Christian faith than the generation before and that was little enough, God knows.

Placing the Responsibility

The young people are not to blame. The desire for righteousness and service is as strong in this generation as any and in some ways stronger. They are the victims of circumstances and of the stupidity of preceding generations. They are what we have made them and carry out in their actions and conduct the ideas that we have given them a little less covertly than we did. And we criticise. Why not try to remedy instead of accusing and criticising?

Let us look at some of the causes for this state of things. There has been a great advance in the material comforts of life and what were called luxuries yesterday are necessities today. We have emphasized the value of these material things and allowed the spiritual to fade into the background and be forgotten. Our industrial development has changed the outlook and social conditions of our people. Developments of pleasures and entertainments, the automobile, the movies, the radio has changed the whole outlook and environment of the rising generation from that of the past and has made it more intense and difficult. If with

this environment we allow those things which alone can interpret it for higher purposes and make it subservient to the best interest of the human race, to be cast out of our consideration then we are a doomed people and deserve to be doomed. Decay has already begun.

City life with its call to our young people, with its gaieties, with its rush and hustle has occupied the mind to the exclusion of the things of the spirit. We are living in an industrial and commercial age when things are measured not for their intrinsic worth but by how much they can minister to the physical comforts and pleasures of the individual.

The great value-idea of our generation has been and is "Success" and success is measured by the amount of money a man has made or the heights of ambition he has attained rather than the service he has rendered to mankind. We have put first things last and are surprised that our children lightly hold and even discredit the things of the spirit. We do not follow our Lord's plain command "Seek ye first the kingdom of God" but we labor hard for the things of the world and the flesh and have little strength or inclination left to labor for the things of the kingdom. Ambition for success from the worldly point of view has been our curse. It creeps into the Church and paralyzes its work. We can see it in the ministry. To be a country parson is as high and important a position as that of the city parson and yet how many of us are looking for the time when we shall be called to city parishes and think ourselves successful when the call comes. We may get our heart's desire at times but God sends leanness withal into our souls. There is no greater opportunity than the work of the country parson. It is not remunerative and it is difficult. Not many privileges of culture are given. Sacrifice and self-denial abound and the chances for service to mankind and duty to God are many.

Home Influence

The change in the home atmosphere is the most vital. It has been influenced more by the new environment than anything else. Few are the homes now that rear the altar of family prayer. The intensiveness of modern life keeps us so busy with the making of a living that we

are forgetting how to live. With the change in the home and the ease with which it may be broken up has gone parental responsibility, and the children are allowed to grow up without a knowledge of prayer and of their duty to God and man. Individual private prayer is not taught to the child and the chances are he will grow up without even knowing the Lord's prayer or any other, and as for using prayer that is something that is felt to be weak and quite superfluous. As for the Ten Commandments they might as well belong to the code of Hammurabi or Solon for all the knowledge that a majority have of them. Evidently there is something wrong with the system in which character is being trained.

With causes of these sorts operating we need not be surprised at the effects. There has resulted a lack of reverence. There seems to be little respect for God or man. There is a loud assertion of one's rights but little made of one's duties. There is an indifference to the conventions of life and sometimes a ridiculing of the most important. We see it in the lack of restraint that exists today among boys and girls. Some of the conventions of the past in this respect were perhaps harmful and wrong but have we not gone too far in the opposite direction?

There is less of prudery and more outspokenness which is to be commended. There may be a good reason, and I believe there is, to inform the growing boy and girl of the functions of the body and the care that should be taken of them. With this teaching however there should go the teaching of moral restraint to control the passions and appetites and the spiritual knowledge that our bodies are the temples of the Holy Ghost.

In the half decade preceding 1920 we are told by the Kent Sunday School Association that crime increased thirty-eight per cent. This is not due entirely to the conditions during war times. I heard it said by a prominent educator that there had been nearly that same decrease in Sunday School attendance of pupils about this age. He asked "Is there a connection between the two?" I have not been able to verify this statement but the fact that it can be said with a show of truth gives us something to con-

sider. If crime has increased as stated more startling is the statement "That the age at which the criminal habit becomes fixed has dropped swiftly from thirty-one to twenty-one years. The age of first offence which usually somewhere between the fifteenth and seventeenth year, appears now with sadly increasing frequency, earlier and earlier in the ages of children."

The Sunday School

The Sunday School has done and is doing a great work but is it powerful enough to cope with the present forces that make for evil? Judge Fawcett of New York City said: "In the five years I have been sitting on the bench I have had two thousand seven hundred boys before me for sentence and not one of them was an attendant at Sunday School. The investigations of Judge John R. Newcomer of the Municipal Court of Chicago are still more startling: "I have often said publicly and privately that in eight and one-half years in the prosecuting attorney's office as one of the trial lawyers in court, eleven months out of the year, and that in sixteen years upon the bench, much of the time in the criminal court, and that during such time I have prosecuted and have heard as presiding judge more than one hundred thousand cases and that in that time and in that number, I have never prosecuted nor heard as many as ten cases against boys or girls who have been brought up and constantly kept in Protestant Sunday Schools up until the time of their majority. While I have prosecuted and have heard very many cases against boys who have attended Sunday School, practically all of them were boys that have been lost from Sunday School through one of their many leaks either during their teen age or directly thereafter." This same ground is covered by the convincing statement of Judge Hoyt of the Children's Court, New York City: "Most important of all is the question of its (the child's) religious training and its moral guidance. The opportunity must be given every child to learn of religious truths and to worship God. The form of the religion does not concern the authorities; that is a matter to be decided by its parents, its family and its ecclesiastical advisors; but it should be strengthened and confirmed in its chosen faith and en-

couraged to follow its precepts. If our experience in the Children's Court has proven one thing, it is—that religion is essential in the training of children and that no lasting good can be achieved when their spiritual development is neglected."

A NATIVE ARMENIAN TO SPEAK IN CHRIST CHURCH

On Sunday morning, January 13, Rev. M. P. Krikorian, a native Armenian, will speak in Christ Church on conditions and needs of the suffering people of the Near East.

Mr. Krikorian is an Armenian missionary, son of one of the bravest martyrs of his unhappy country, and a survivor of the massacres that claimed the lives of seventy-five of his relatives.

The story of his life and heart-gripping experiences; his flight into Egypt and ultimate journey to America, where he was enabled to finally satisfy his longings for religious training, is a narrative that is easily more vivid than fiction.

Through the generosity of an Armenian woman in Harrisburg, Pa., Mr. Krikorian was supplied with sufficient funds to leave Alexandria and come to New York.

In 1918 he became associated with the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, and traveled all through the Northwest telling audiences there the ancient, romantic, and terribly tragic story of his country and its people.

"As the son of a martyr, I, who have shared the bitter cup to the brim, am obliged to suffer anew with each narration of the excruciating circumstances surrounding my father's death," Mr. Krikorian said, "I must describe the loss of seventy-five of my immediate relatives who perished during the bloody reign that was inaugurated in 1915. The question I meet everywhere is: 'How did you personally escape?' And my story is the answer."

Mr. Krikorian is preparing to return to Armenia where he will act as an evangelist and missionary among his own people, and work for the conversion of the Mohammedan Turks who are responsible for his suffering and the death of his loved ones.

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BISHOP SUFFRAGAN ELECTED BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE

The Rector is highly gratified at the election of Bishop Suffragan Thomas J. Garland to be Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. It is an evidence and testimony of the high regard and confidence in which he is held by the members of the Church in this diocese. He received 141 votes of the clergy, only 106 being needed to elect him. The laity, also, emphasized their decided choice of Bishop Garland by a vote of 83, as against 45 votes for the next nearest in number.

One hundred and thirty-five parishes of the diocese were represented at the Convention. It is estimated that the communicants of the parishes whose rectors voted for Bishop Garland number about 50,000 out of 68,000 communicants in the diocese.

This overwhelming majority in their preference of Bishop Garland is evidence, if evidence were needed of the affection and loyalty that gather around him. It should hearten the good Bishop and give him courage for the great work that is before him.

The duties of a Bishop are exacting and onerous, and the responsibilities of the great office are grave and solemn. Well may the Apostle ask: "Who is sufficient for these things?" No one—unless sustained by the

grace of God. And He has pronounced it. "My grace is sufficient for thee."

Bishop Garland is a sincere man, a conscientious man, a Godly man, and the message of the people of this great diocese to its new Bishop is, and their prayer is: "God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work!"

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FORMING

The Rector requests that all persons who are thinking of Confirmation, both minors and adults, will give their names to him. Confirmation Classes are forming and the Rector will begin a course of instructions on "Confirmation and the Teachings of the Church" on Sunday afternoon February 17th at four o'clock in the Parish House, for minors, and on Wednesday evening, March 7th at eight o'clock, for adults.

The series of instruction will continue to be held every Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening thereafter until the Bishop's visitation on Maundy Thursday evening.

The Rector will be pleased to meet anyone who may wish to confer with him on the subject of Confirmation. He can be seen in Church after any service or by appointment.

CHRIST CHURCH CHIMES

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WHAT IS MEANT BY "BUDGETS AND PRIORITIES"

The "Story of the Program" is a book issued by the Presiding Bishop and Council of the Church which tells what the Church is doing in different parts of the world. It is a most interesting and illuminating book, full of pictures and valuable information. You can buy it from the Rector for one dollar, and it is worth many times its cost. It tells, in detail, about the work of the Church, what it is doing, what are its needs and its opportunities. In this interesting book we read about "budgets and priorities." The Rector has been asked to explain what is meant and what is included in these terms. It is very important that every member of the parish should have this information, and I want to state it clearly and as briefly as I can and bring it down in application to Christ Church parish.

The General Convention a year ago adopted a definite "Program" for three years, (1923, 1924, 1925), that is, until the meeting of the next Convention.

This program sets forth the needs of the Church under two heads—first the "budget," which includes the actual and urgent needs of the Church for meeting the cost of continuing and maintaining the present existing work; second, the "priorities," which consist of the needs and opportunities for advance work of the Church.

The amount needed for the coming year from the whole Church—for the budget (that is, to meet the present outstanding obligations of the Church) is \$4,200,000; for the priorities (advance work) \$2,800,000, total amounted need for the year \$7,000,000.

The proportion of these amounts assigned to this diocese of Pennsylvania is, for the general budget, or maintenance, \$316,920; for the priorities, \$239,080; total, \$556,000.

This, then, is Pennsylvania's quota toward the work of the General Church. In addition to this amount for the work of the General Church, the diocese of Pennsylvania asks for an amount for

the expenses of the Diocese and its missionary work. Diocesan budget calls for \$206,976.72; priorities (estimated) \$100,000; making a total, for diocesan budget and priorities, of \$306,976.72.

The grand total asked from the Church in this diocese is therefore \$862,976.72.

The quota for 1924 for Christ Church Parish, for the "budget" of the general Church and the Diocese is \$4,000.00 and \$2,600.00 for the "priorities," or the advance work of the general Church and the Diocese, or a total of \$6,600.

Unless we pay the first amount, that is the "budget," the Church is compelled to run into debt, having already contracted for this expenditure. If we pay only the "budget" and do not meet the "priorities," the work of the Church will be at a standstill, with no advance or extension.

As a part of our parish quota of the budget, members of Christ Church School and the Woman's Auxiliary of our parish are making an effort during this year to pay the maintenance expense of the work of St. Saviour's Mission in China and mission work among the Arapaho Indians in Wyoming.

The balance of our quota must, of course, come from members of the parish who give in the missionary side, that is, the right-hand side, of the duplex envelopes.

With these facts in mind, it is earnestly hoped that every person in this parish, every man and woman, boy and girl, will feel it his or her personal responsibility and privilege to take a pledge card, which may be found in the vestibules of the Church, and sign it with an intelligent understanding of the great need and opportunities which the Church, in Christ's name, is calling upon her children to meet with a generous heart, freely and cheerfully giving, according to our ability.

"If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little;

"Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

February 3rd—Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
 February 10th—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
 February 17th—Septuagesima
 February 24th—Sexagesima (St. Matthias' Day)

BAPTISMS

"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."
 Jan. 13th—Margaret Gibson Baxter.

BURIALS

"Looking for the Resurrection of the Dead and the Life of the World to Come. Amen."
 Jan. 10—William Truett Philler.
 Jan. 29—Lillian L. Swope.
 Feb. 2—Edward Patterson Matthews.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE CHIMES

About one half the amount of money necessary for the publication of the Chimes for the coming year has been received to date, from subscriptions and contributions.

Every member in the parish should help in defraying the expense of the Chimes. Subscriptions and contributions are solicited to be sent to Mr. Frederick Lennig, 316 High St., Germantown.

OFFERING FOR THE ARMENIANS

At Sunday morning service, January 13th, Mr. M. P. Krikorian, a native Armenian, gave a graphic account of the great suffering and needs of the people of his land. An offering was received at this service, which amounted, in money and pledges, to a little over \$500.00.

The amount received from members of the parish to date from "Sacrifice Week" to be given toward the \$100,000 diocesan deficit of Missions is \$361.00. Any who have not sent in their offerings are asked to do so at once.

A few Church Calendars for 1924 are in the hands of the vergers. These calendars provide a course of short daily Bible readings, extending throughout the year. A Manual of Prayers for private and family use, accompanies the Calendar and both may be purchased from the Verger for fifty cents.

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

Lent comes late this year, Ash Wednesday being March 5th. Septuagesima Sunday, which begins the season of preparation for Lent, occurs on February 17th. The next issue of Chimes will publish the schedule of special Lenten services. It is now the time to anticipate the Lenten season and to make preparation for a strict and conscientious observance.

NEW FISCAL YEAR

Be Sure to Get Your Envelopes

Several persons in the congregation have neglected to take their packages of envelopes for the new fiscal year which begins on January 1st. If any person has failed to receive his or her envelopes application should be made at once to the Accounting Warden or to the Rector. Since the abolishment of pew rents in Christ Church, the support of the Church and its missionary work is dependent upon the weekly offering received through the envelopes. Every member of the parish, every member of every family, should have a package of envelopes and share in the responsibility and the privilege of contributing to the support of the Church and its philanthropies.

Pledge cards will be found in the vestibule. Designate the amount you are willing to give each week, sign the card and place it on the alms plate at any service. Envelopes will then be sent to you. This pledge being purely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time, by notifying the Rector.

THE VESTRY

At recent meetings of the Vestry the following actions were taken:
 Meeting held December 4th, 1923:

Voted—That it is the opinion of the Vestry that a new organ is needed in Christ Church and that steps be taken immediately toward that end and the Rector appoint a committee to devise ways and means of procuring said organ.

Voted. To authorize the Property Committee to place on sale the lot 100x100 feet, at corner of Washington Lane and McCallum Street.

Voted—That a campaign be organized at once to solicit subscriptions to a \$20,000 fund for a new organ and that pledges be secured covering a period of two years and that the Easter offering over and above the amount necessary to meet the current deficit be devoted to the Organ Fund.

The following were elected as delegates to the Special Diocesan Convention to be held January 22nd: Messrs. Potter, Woodroffe and Morris.

A letter from C. W. Sutcliffe, Jr., tendering his resignation as Vestryman was read and on motion accepted.

Voted—To accept the offer of \$10,500 made through the Chelton Trust Company for the Washington Lane property, subject to such building restrictions as the Property Committee decides.

RICHARD H. MORRIS, Secretary.

CHRIST CHURCH, GERMANTOWN

Statement for Year Ending December 31, 1923

Balance, January 1st, 1923 \$ 375.12

INCOME

For Parish Purposes—
 Envelope Contributions 5,764.25
 Plate Offerings 842.46
 Special Contributions 976.27
 Easter Offering 907.08
 Investments 198.50
 Jeffries Legacy 1,631.31
 Johnson Legacy 510.70
 Miscellaneous 90.16
 Christmas Offering, 1922 19.00
 Christmas Offering, 1923 272.40
 Interest on Deposits 11.09
 Temporary Loans 1,700.00
 Transferred from Repair acct... 632.52

From Anniversary acct. 212.40
 Sunday School 718.39

\$14,576.53

For Other Purposes—

Poor of Parish 515.12
 Poor of Parish, from Invest'mts 54.75
 Missions 3,033.77
 Episcopal Hospital 166.36
 S. S. Missionary Collections 750.55
 Special Collections 92.32
 Insurance Received from damage to roof 97.00
 Children's Outing Fund 209.32
 Japanese Relief 340.06

\$ 5,259.25

Total Receipts \$20,210.90

EXPENDITURES

For Parish Purposes—

Salaries, Clergy, etc \$5,041.50
 Choir and Chimes 1,943.82
 Taxes, Insurance and Water
 Rents 515.09
 Fuel and Lights 1,507.82
 Repairs to Property 1,057.38
 Miscellaneous 938.92
 Clergy Pension Fund 315.00
 Loans Repaid 2,200.00
 Interest on loans 30.77
 Payments from Anniversary Fund 212.39
 Sunday School 740.00

\$14,502.69

For other Purposes—

Missions \$3,132.45
 Poor of Parish 579.57
 Episcopal Hospital 166.36
 Bishop's Fund 92.32
 S. S. Lenten Offering 750.55
 Episcopal-Diocesan and Convention Funds 330.96
 Children's Outing Fund 200.32
 Japanese Relief 340.06

\$ 5,592.59

Total Expenditures \$20,095.28
 Balance forward to Jan. 1st, '24 113.62

\$20,210.90

Amount Borrowed 1-1-24 \$400.00

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SALE OF PORTION OF BACK LOT OF CHURCH PROPERTY

By resolution of the Vestry the portion of the property of the Church with a frontage both on Washington Lane and McCallum Street of 100 feet, has been offered for sale and a purchaser obtained, the purchase price being \$10,500. A frontage of 56 feet on McCallum Street has been reserved from sale to prevent encroachments. The lot sold will be improved with a desirable class of dwelling house.

The use of the lot (once fitted up for recreational purposes) has, through lack of supervision, become the cause of complaint by residents of the neighborhood. It was acquired at a time when many of the Congregation came from a distance and stabled their teams in the sheds which then occupied it. The need for such convenience having passed, the lot is not useful unless for some possible future extension, not in contemplation. It is difficult to foresee a future need of so much ground for Church purposes.

The lot is assessed as of the value of \$4,000 and we are paying \$106.40 per annum in taxes.

The regular sources of income are insufficient to balance our annual budget by about \$1200, necessitating the special offerings for the making up of the deficit. The fund derived from the sale of the back lot, invested, would produce an income of \$600 per annum.

For these reasons the Vestry deemed it wise to sell a portion of the property, reserving sufficient for any conceivable future extension of parochial buildings.

S. P.

TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF CHRIST CHURCH, GERMANTOWN

When it was decided to create the parish of which we are members, the founders, more than seventy years ago, provided by their generosity the land, the

buildings and the furnishings, including the church organ, which constituted the church property.

When by disaster the original church building was destroyed fifty years ago, the members of that time likewise generously provided the church building which we today use and enjoy.

Again, when the original organ through long usage had become worn out, the members of that time, about thirty years ago, provided the rebuilt organ which is still serving the congregation.

All of these things the present members have inherited, and the time has now arrived when an opportunity presents itself for this congregation and the friends of the parish to emulate in a degree the deeds of their predecessors.

Another crisis has been reached in the life of the organ of the Church.

The Vestry has had an expert make a very thorough survey of the condition of the organ, and it has been concluded that a New Organ is needed.

The Vestry has also authorized a committee to conduct a campaign to obtain subscriptions to a fund to meet the expense of installing in the church an organ which will be worthy of both the church and the present congregation.

It is hoped and believed that everyone in any way interested in Christ Church will consider this not so much an appeal as an opportunity to show forth the same spirit of generosity toward the church as was exhibited by the former members of the parish.

The suggestion is made to everyone that they give this matter most careful consideration, and prepare themselves to contribute to this memorial of the present congregation as generously as their blessings in material things will permit.

Do not wait until the actual appeal for subscriptions is made, but begin now to so consider this an opportunity to do in part what others have so handsomely done for us, that when the first offering for this purpose is presented, which is planned to be on Easter Day—1924—you may fully enjoy that gratification which comes with the success of a worthy undertaking.

The committee is open to receive subscriptions at any time, or they may be forwarded, properly designated, to the

Accounting Warden, although none will be solicited as payable before Easter.

That the members may more conveniently have as large a part in this memorial to themselves as they may desire, subscriptions will be received payable over a term of not more than two years, and may be made payable monthly, quarterly or annually.

Each member should subscribe, not that which he or she *wants* to give, but that which he or she is *able* to give to their church.

If we believe and feel that Christ Church is our Church, and if all will give in unison and harmony, success will crown our efforts in the undertaking.

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Committee.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The report of the Secretary shows that we have 263 members which is 23 more than a year ago. During the year we lost 32 members and gained 55 new ones. Our envelope offerings were \$868.48, a gain of \$93.69 over the previous year.

Our missionary offerings for work outside the Parish were over \$1000, which was about \$500 more than in 1922.

Our Christmas festivals were enjoyed by everybody. At our entertainment on December 28th the play given by the "Girls' Friendly" was very good and then as usual "Santa Claus" paid us his visit.

The Primary Department had "Punch and Judy" as well as old "Santa" come to see them.

The church was well filled at our Carol Service on the Sunday after Christmas, at which time a pageant entitled "The Nativity" was given by some of the members of the school. Everyone who saw it has spoken of how beautiful it was and how reverently the scene of

our Lord's birth was portrayed by those who took part. Many expressed the hope that a Pageant would be always given at our Christmas and Easter Carol services.

We take up our work for 1924 with faith that we will show progress in the year that is before us.

To the mothers of our scholars we again would ask help on your part in solving the problem of "Punctuality" which is a serious one as we only have one hour and ten minutes for our work.

There have been four Sundays since January first and with an average of over 200 present each Sunday, there have not been over 70 in the school when 9.45, the time for starting, arrived. More than TWO-THIRDS of the School has been late. Also several have come in over 20 minutes late and have been marked absent as the roll has been taken up. Your Superintendent has tried in every way he could to improve this condition and finally appeals to the parents to help as it is a vital matter if we are to make Christ Church Sunday School worth while.

R. H. M.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

The Mothers' Meeting had their Christmas dinner in the Parish House on Tuesday, January 8th. Twenty-five mothers, old and young, sat down to a sumptuous feast. After dinner, Mrs. Leach, one of the mothers "who never grow old," entertained the meeting with interesting "selections." A professional "artist" in legerdemain afforded much amusement to all.

Mrs. Arndt and Mrs. Rowley, directresses of the Mothers' Meeting were assisted by Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Eckenley, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Higginbotham, and Mrs. Heyer.

The Mothers presented Mrs. Arndt and Mrs. Rowley each with a set of sideboard doilies, embroidered by one of the members of the meeting. These gifts were highly appreciated.

The weekly meeting of the Mothers' Association is held on Tuesday afternoons in the Parish House at 2.30 o'clock.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The past year's work of the Woman's Auxiliary has been most satisfactory. We have to our credit one hundred dollars sent to Japan at the time of the earthquake, five hundred dollars raised to help pay the parish apportionment, one hundred and five dollars given to various missionary activities and eighty-seven garments for the Supply Bureau made by the Sewing Guild.

We are now making our plans for our work during the coming year. Our first effort will be a motion picture benefit to be held some time in February. We are going to raise another five hundred dollars for the parish apportionment. To do this we will have to hold numerous cake sales and we will need lots of help.

A large rummage sale will be held in the fall. Please save us everything you are going to give or throw away.

We are sorry that we have not a large attendance at our monthly meetings; but are most thankful for the financial support given us by our many envelope subscribers.

Come to our meetings and help us. The missionary meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at two P. M. in the Parish House.

The Sewing Guild meets on the fourth Thursday at two P. M.

A. F. W.

DR. RUMNEY'S PHOTOGRAPH

Complying with the request of the Rector, Miss Rumney, daughter of the late Rev. Theodore Sill Rumney, D. D., has had framed and presented to Christ Church a photograph, an excellent likeness of her father, who was Rector of this Parish from 1870-73.

The photograph will hang in the sacristy of Christ Church, along with the photographs of the other Rectors of the Parish, the Rev. A. B. Atkins and the Rev. John B. Falkner, D. D.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Since the last issue of the "Chimes" was published the G. F. S. has been very busy. Our Christmas basket was a huge success and everybody contributed to it with the true Christmas spirit. Then came our little sketch, "Christmas at Skeeter's Corner"—this was given on the night of the Sunday School entertainment. Everybody seemed to enjoy themselves immensely.

Our work for the next few months has not been definitely planned. We are hoping to give a little party to the Italian girls who live in some of the congested parts of Germantown.

Our Lenten work this year will consist of knitting sweaters, mufflers and caps for the needy ones.

Quite a few of the girls are looking forward to the initiation service which will be held very shortly in church.

More members are needed! Come and join us any Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

S. P. C.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR FEBRUARY

The flowers on the altar for Sundays in February are contributed by the following persons in memoriam:

1st Sunday—

Mrs. Crowder
Mrs. Prichard

2nd Sunday—

Miss F. R. Cooley.
Mr. A. J. Purcell

3rd Sunday—

Mrs. B. P. McCarty
Mrs. Hemsley Avery

4th Sunday—

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Mr. H. W. Armstrong
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CHRIST CHURCH Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.

CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

The pews in this Church are all free and unassigned. The support of the Church and its missionary work and its charities are all dependent upon the free will offering of those who worship here.

Every member should be a regular contributor through the weekly "Envelope System of Giving." Pledge cards will be found in the vestibules of the Church or may be had from the Verger. These cards should be signed with name, address, etc. (as indicated on the cards), and placed on the alms plate at any service. Packages of envelopes will then be furnished.

These pledges, being entirely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled, at any time by notifying the Rector.

CALENDAR FOR LENT

March 5th—Ash Wednesday
March 9th First Sunday in Lent
March 16th—Second Sunday in Lent
March 23rd—Third Sunday in Lent
March 25th—Feast of the Annunciation.
March 30th—Fourth Sunday in Lent
April 6th—Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 13th—Sixth (Palm) Sunday in Lent
April 18th—Good Friday
April 20th—Easter Day

SCHEDULE OF LENTEN

SERVICES

SUNDAYS

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 a. m.
Evening Service, Course of
Sermons on the Bible by
Rev. Royden K. Yerkes,
D. D., Ph. D. 7.45 p. m.

WEEK DAYS

Ash Wednesday
Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Morning Prayer, Penitential
Office, Address 11.00 a. m.

*Evening Service, Address.. 8.00 p. m.
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

Evening Prayer, Address..... 4.45 p. m.
*Wednesdays

Evening Service, Address 8.00 p. m.
Fridays

Litany and Holy Communion 9.30 a. m.

*Subject for Wednesday Evening addresses "Seven Essentials to a Christian Life."

On Thursday afternoons, special address to Young People.

Friday Evening Illustrated Lectures on the "Story of the Church of England," held in the Parish House at 8 o'clock.

Services on week days during Lent will be held in the side Chapel in the Church, with the exception of the Wednesday night services, which will be held in the nave.

CHURCH SERVICE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The service on Thursday afternoons in Lent will be especially adapted to young people. The Rector will give a series of talks to boys and girls.

A Junior Lenten choir composed of boys and girls will lead the singing. Young people who wish to join this Lenten choir are invited to attend the rehearsals held in the Parish House on Thursday afternoons at 4.15. The service in the Church is at 4.45.

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A LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

CHRIST CHURCH RECTORY

ASH WEDNESDAY, 1924

MY DEAR FRIENDS:

In another column of the Chimes will be found a schedule of services during Lent.

It is needless for me to say how deeply concerned I am that the people of Christ Church shall consistently and conscientiously observe this blessed season, and appropriate the privileges and blessings which it offers to every one who will keep it in spirit and in form.

While it is rightly called a season of fasting—a season when we deny ourselves many things which are accustomed to occupy much of our thoughts, our time and our resources, it is also and primarily a season of Feasting—a season when we may feast our minds, our hearts and souls on the best and the highest and most enduring and worthwhile things in life, namely, an unselfish service for God and our fellow men.

Our Church does not belittle this quiet season of Lent by attempting to prescribe definite restriction nor to dictate details of individual conduct. It would rather trust its children and appeal to the conscience, as to the proper observance of the season by each individual. It raises the whole question to the high plane of spiritual privilege and principle. Its appeal is expressed in the words of the collect: "O Lord, give us grace to use such abstinence, that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness." "Create and make in us, O God, new and contrite hearts!"

This, my friends, should be our prayer during Lent, "New and contrite hearts"; and our every endeavor should be "that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey God's will and walk in His way in righteousness and true holiness."

Our Lent will be a fast and a feast—a fast from all things which would draw us away from the things of the Spirit, and a feast upon the things which nourish and enrich the soul.

Then as we meet at the altar of the Risen Lord on Easter morn we may sing with glad hearts the triumphant song, the psalm of victory: "Christ is risen from the dead; therefore, let us keep the

feast; Not with old leaven, neither the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

Faithfully yours,

CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

LITERATURE FOR LENT READING

In the interest of increasing a more general reading of religious and Church literature throughout the Parish, and thus to create a larger number of interested and well informed Churchmen, I have had placed in the vestibules of the Church a booklet, kindly furnished by the Moorehouse Publishing Co., of Milwaukee, giving a list of a few books especially suitable for Lenten reading.

On looking over this booklet, I believe that every one in the Parish will find, at least two or three books that will contribute to a constructive Lent and be helpful in their religious life. I should suggest that a selection of books from this list, be made at once, and an order be sent to the publishers as soon as possible, in order that the Lenten season may be "begun, continued and ended" in a profitable course of religious and Church readings.

The price of these booklets is very low, and, is within the reach of any who many really desire to read them.

To persons who wish to follow a more thorough or extended course of religious and Church reading than the literature included in the above list provides, I shall be pleased to suggest other books which may be helpful to them or to loan them such books as I may have in my own private library.

I am quite sure that, if members of the Parish will resolve to spend a part of each day during this Lent in following a systematic course of religious and Church readings, in addition to their faithful, daily reading of the Bible, this season will be

to them full both of pleasure and spiritual profit, and will bring a rich and a lasting blessing.

In this connection I wish to mention the need of every family in the Parish to subscribe for one of the general Church papers. It is surprising to find so few Church people who take a Church paper. Almost every one subscribes for a secular paper and, in addition, weekly and monthly magazines comes regularly to the home. These are considered among the necessities of life by almost every person of average intelligence. But of Church papers, how few are seen! And yet, to be intelligently informed on religious and Church events which are happening throughout the world, every person should take at least, one of the general Church papers. To depend wholly upon the secular press for "religious news," is, as a rule, to be misinformed and misled. Not to be deeply interested in the great religious questions which are engaging men's thoughts today not to be intelligently familiar with the momentous religious movements which are taking place throughout the world, is to disregard the most important and vital interests of life.

The interest of the members of the Church would be greatly stimulated and their understanding enlightened if they were regularly in touch with the news and thoughts of the Church as reported and discussed through the channels of the responsible Church journals.

In my judgment, the "Living Church," published by the Moorehouse Publishing Company, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is the most dignified, the most ably edited, and, from its view point, of Churchmanship, with which I personally often find myself at variance, is generally the most fair of our national Church papers. Its editorials, however, deal as a rule, with subjects

that are perhaps of more interest to the technical Churchman than to the rank and file of the Church. Yet, in every parish there ought to be, and I believe there is, a considerable number of educated Churchmen to whom such a paper as the "Living Church" strongly appeals.

THE WITNESS

The Rector has subscribed for fifty copies a week of the "Witness," a Church paper which will be found of general interest to members of the Church.

These copies will be placed in the vestibules of the Church each week during Lent for free distribution and members of the congregation are invited to take copies. It is hoped, however, that this little paper will be found so informing and interesting to many in the Congregation that, rather than discontinue receiving it, they will be prompted to enter their names for a year's subscription.

Among the articles of special interest which will be published each week during Lent and which should be read by all, are as follows:

The Household of Faith—Dr. Percy Silver, Bishop Fiske, Bishop Freeman, Dr. George Craig Stewart, Bishop Rhinelander, Bishop Matthews and Bishop Guerry.

Where it all Happened—By Rev. Frank E. Wilson, S. T. D.

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Present Day Social and Spiritual Unrest—By Dr. Sherwood Eddy.

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A COURSE OF LECTURES ON THE BIBLE SUNDAY EVENINGS IN LENT

An unusually interesting course of lectures on the Bible will be given in Christ Church on Sunday evenings during Lent, by the Rev. Royden Keith Yerkes, Ph.D., S. T. D.

Dr. Yerkes is a member of the faculty at the Divinity School of the Episcopal Church in Philadelphia and is one of the best scholars of Biblical learning in the country.

This course of lectures on the Bible will be a rare opportunity for the people of Germantown to hear a very able treatment of the subject, in the light of modern scholarship.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

All seats are free and unassigned at all services in Christ Church. Every one is welcome. A summary of these lectures on the Bible will be found in another column of this issue of THE CHIMES. The course will begin Sunday evening, March 9th.

THE REV. MR. VOSSLER ACCEPTS A CALL

It is with great regret that the Rector announces the resignation of the Rev. Arthur B. Vossler, who has been assisting the Rector at Christ Church for the past two years. He has accepted a call to become Rector of St. Michael's Church, Birdsboro, Pa., in the diocese of Bethlehem.

Mr. Vossler has made many friends in the Parish, who will feel his loss and miss him greatly. During his association

with this parish, he has been faithful in the discharge of every duty.

Before Mr. Vossler studied for the Holy Orders, he had an experience of several years as a teacher and executive of schools, in this country and in South America, which peculiarly fitted him for efficient work in his future ministry. His valuable service as a member of the Educational Corps of the American Army in France, during the late war, received special recognition.

Mr. Vossler is "a man among men," in the best sense,—virile, strong, frank, sympathetic and sincerely honest in everything that he says and does.

Such a man will always be successful wherever he may be or whatever he may do.

The prayers of the people of Christ Church go up to the Throne of Grace that the Holy Spirit will direct him and guide him in all his ways and that the blessing of God will rest upon his ministry.

CONFIRMATION

The Apostolic Rite of Confirmation will be administered in Christ Church on Maunday Thursday, April 17th. Instruction on Confirmation is being given for minors in the Parish House on Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, and will continue every Sunday through Lent. All young people in the Parish who have not been Confirmed are urged to give their names to the Rector at once, and are requested to attend these Instructions.

The Rector, also, invites adult persons in the Parish, who have not received Confirmation to consult with him and he will be pleased to give them literature on the subject and to make appointments with them for personal instructions.

On Wednesday evenings in Lent the Rector will give a course of addresses on "SEVEN ESSENTIALS TO A CHRISTIAN LIFE." These Wednesday evening services will be held in the Church at 8 o'clock, and a cordial invitation is extended to all persons in this community to attend.

SUMMARY OF FIVE LECTURES ON THE BIBLE

by the Rev. R. K. Yerkes, Ph.D., S. T. D.

which will be given in Christ Church, Germantown, Sunday evenings in Lent, beginning Sunday, March 9th.

1. The Bible as Literature. I. Its Content.—The Bible is the library (as its name indicates) of practically all the literature of the ancient Hebrews and the early Christians. The wide variety and the literary quality of these books have given them first place in the world's literature.

2. The Bible as Literature. II. Its universal appeal.—In spite of the narrow geographical limits within which the Bible was written, its literary appeal is to all people in a way in which no other literature has appealed. This is because of its admirable treatment of the eternal themes of the human mind and heart.

3. The Bible as a Book of Religion. I. Its appreciation of God.—The Bible records a gradually increasing appreciation of God by a people who commenced at a depth to which we cannot sink and who rose to heights to which no man has ever reached.

4. The Bible as a Book of Religion. II. Its portrait of man.—In picturing the religious development of a people, Israel, the Bible portrays the latent possibilities of every man and woman. The soul of a man is but the miniature of the soul of a nation.

5. On Reading the Bible. This matchless piece of religious literature should be read as any other piece of literature, in such a way that its literary and religious qualities will be appreciated. If one gives the Bible an opportunity, it will "find him."

THE BIBLE

"Within that volume lies the mysteries of mysteries!

Happiest they of human race, to whom
God has granted grace,

To read, to fear, to hope, to pray; to lift
the catch and force the way;

And better had they ne'er been born, who
read to doubt, or read to scorn."

—Sir Walter Scott.

The Church of the first century had no Bible, as we have it now, and was depen-

dent upon the Ministry of the Church.

But it had its organic life—its Creeds, its Sacraments, its Ministry.

These are the essentials in teaching and administering the Faith.

DR. CALEY'S ILLUSTRATED LECTURES ON CHURCH HISTORY

The people of this parish and vicinity, will be pleased to learn that the Rev. Llewellyn N. Caley, D. D., will continue this Lent, his course of lectures, which he has been giving in our Parish House for the past two years. The subject to be considered this year will be the "Story of the Church of England," and will be a completion of the course given last Lent. All who were privileged to hear Dr. Caley's lectures during the past two years will be glad again this year to avail themselves of this opportunity.

The lectures will be given in the Parish House on Friday evenings in Lent, beginning Friday, March 7th, at 8 o'clock. The subjects of the course of six lectures and the dates will be as follows:

March 7th—"The Founding of the Church in England.

March 14th "The Anglican Church and Rome"

March 21st—"The English Reformation"

March 28th—"The Struggle with Puritanism"

April 4th—"The Church of England in the American Colonies"

April 11th—"The Episcopal Church in the United States"

These lectures will be illustrated by stereopticon views. There will be no charge for admission. A silver offering will be received at the doors from those who wish to give.

A CORDIAL INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO ALL TO ATTEND THESE LECTURES. Every Friday evening in Lent (except Good Friday) in the Parish House, at 8 o'clock.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING ON SUNDAY EVENINGS

On Sunday evenings during Lent a series of "Young People's Half-Hour Meetings" will be held in the Parish House, beginning promptly at seven o'clock. The subject for consideration at these meetings will be "The Progress of the Kingdom," a series of talks on the Missionary Work of the Church in various parts of the world. These meetings and "talks" will be conducted by young men and women in the Parish and will be of special interest to all young people. All are invited to attend. Beginning Sunday evening, March 9th, at seven o'clock sharp.

A card program of subjects, and names of leaders of the meetings will be distributed at that time.

THE ORGAN DRIVE

"Drives" are fashionable. Sometimes they are to provide means for meeting pressing needs and frequently—as in the case of colleges—they are to provide facilities for more extended work in the future.

Our organ drive combines both of these requisites, for the need for a new instrument is pressing and just as our present organ was provided for us by a generation that has passed and gone so it is now our turn to make provision for the future.

There has been considerable organ building lately in neighboring churches and we hope to profit by their experience so that we may have an instrument that meets the requirements of Christ Church without any collection of extra pipes which are seldom or never used in the rendition of sacred music. In other words we aim at the greatest economy that is constituent with thoroughly satisfactory results.

Estimates for such an organ have already been submitted and with the necessary changes in the chancel incident to its installation, will require about twenty thousand dollars.

This is a large sum of money but it is confidently expected that our people will rise to the occasion so that the old worn-out instrument may be replaced by one capable of rendering the soul-inspiring

music of former years when our old organ was in its prime.

The Drive will soon take place. Every member of Christ Church will have the privilege of taking part in this great work. Payments may be made at regular periods extending over two years and it is hoped that generous responses will enable us to begin the work of installation at the earliest possible moment.

T. H. C.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly of Christ Church had hoped to present a musical comedy before Easter. The author of which is one of our members and of whom we are naturally very proud, but due to the unusual inclement weather to which we have been treated Tuesday nights—our night of meeting—the production will not be presented until April 29th. Lenten works has been planned—entertainment of some little Italian children sewing for All Saints Mission School for Girls, Bontoc, Philippine Island, and, knitting wash clothes for general missions.

The general organization of G. F. S. in the diocese of Pennsylvania is doing its part to help the general work of the Woman's auxiliary taking over entirely the sewing for the House of the Good Shepherd and some for the Home for Consumptives.

The candidate class under Mrs. Christ's leadership is a credit to the Parish. She is now giving them a course in nursing, using dolls for demonstration, which brings it very close to the attention and interest of these little girls.

There are quite a number of Probationers ready for admission to full membership in the G. F. S., and this service will be held in the near future.

L. J. J.

Advertisers in the Chimes are all reputable firms and deserve your patronage.

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A NOTE FROM THE WARDEN

The accounting warden has forwarded to the treasurer of the Diocese as the result of the offering during Sacrifice Week \$154.16. There have also been sent through individuals and societies in the parish, \$262.00, making the result of "Sacrifice Week," \$416.16. This makes a total offering for 1923 to the missionary work of the church without the Parish of \$4203.52. Of this amount, the Sunday School contributed \$815.51 which shows the great interest of the school in this important branch of church work. The Women's Auxiliary also contributed a special offering of \$500 towards making up this total. As the total offering for 1922 from all sources was \$3123.71, a very large increase was made this year, not only over the previous year but over the amount contributed in any previous year. This is most encouraging as it shows a growing interest in the missionary work of the Church. For 1924, our apportionment is \$4000. If every member will do his or her part by contributing to missions through the weekly envelope system, it should not be difficult to realize this amount as it is less than the total offerings of the past year.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.

BE SURE TO GET
YOUR ENVELOPES

Several persons in the congregation have neglected to take their packages of envelopes for the new fiscal year which begins on January 1st. If any person has failed to receive his or her envelopes application should be made at once to the Accounting Warden or to the Rector. Since the abolishment of pew rents in Christ Church, the support of the Church and its missionary work is dependent upon the weekly offering received through the envelopes. Every member of the parish. EVERY MEMBER OF EVERY FAMILY, should have a package of envelopes and share in the responsibility and the privilege of contributing to the support of the Church and its philanthropies.

Pledge cards will be found in the vestibule. Designate the amount you are willing to give each week.

Sign the card and place it on the alms plate at any service. Envelopes will then be sent to you. This pledge being purely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time, by notifying the Rector.

A LETTER FROM THE REV.
MR. VOSSLER

In leaving Christ Church, Germantown, to accept the call as Rector of St. Michael's, Birdsboro, Pa., I wish to say to my fellow members and friends that it has been a great help and inspiration to me in my work and study with Dr. Arndt to have been located in this Parish.

I want to thank our beloved Rector especially for his kindly solicitation and helpful suggestions, that have guided me over many an obstacle and difficulty as lay-reader and candidate for the sacred ministry.

I want to thank the Vestry, the Bible Class and Congregation and friends in the Church, with whom I have been associated for their constant encouragement and kindly interest.

It is my earnest prayer that each and every member of Christ Church Congregation may be blessed with happiness and contentment, and that success may attend all their efforts in the upbuilding of Christ Church in this community.

In saying good-bye Mrs. Vossler joins me in extending a cordial invitation to each of you to visit the Rectory of St. Michael's, Birdsboro, if ever an opportunity presents itself for you to come that way.

A. B. VOSSLER.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Lenten Motto

See St. Matt. 28 : 19. St. Mark 16 : 15. St. Luke 24 : 46-47.

Taking the words from the above texts for our Lenten motto, our work during this Lent will be for 'Missions,' as usual, and our aim is to go ahead of our record of last year, which was \$750.55. The only way this can be accomplished is by every member of the school doing his or her share and already plans are being per-

fectured by the different classes for their work.

Now \$750 looks very large, but when divided by the number of members of the school, it is only \$3.00 apiece, and as there are 40 days in Lent it means only 7 cents a day, (or one street car ride), so you see it is not as large an amount as it looks.

Here are some suggestions how to do it:

First: Let us take *One Thousand Dollars* as our goal and keep our eyes on that amount and think we can do it.

Second: *Give up something* every week; movies, candy, and lots of little things we do not need, but spend our money for.

Third: *Do something* to earn some money for the mission fund—every member of the school can earn something, even the smallest ones in the Primary Dept can run errands for Father or Mother, and if you tell them what you are going to do with what you earn, maybe they will give you more.

Fourth: Put the money you *save* or *earn* in your Mite Box each day. Do not wait till the week before Easter to think about it. The Spirit of Lent is to *give up* unnecessary things and *do* worth while things *every day*.

If we follow this plan we will be surprised at the amount we will reach. Last year one small boy earned \$15.00 selling Easter eggs only. Do you know if we had all done as well as he did, and most of us could if we had had as much missionary spirit in our hearts as he had, we would have given just *five* times as much as we did or over \$3700.

Now to the Parents of our scholars; if you will come to church at the morning service during Lent, you will see our School attending service regularly, each class with its teacher; an harvest of the Future Church.

R. H. M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

After the regular, monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on Thursday, February 20th, Miss Ormsby spoke to us about "The Church's Mission to the Jews." Her message was most convincing in helping us to realize that we should make a supreme effort. Now, to Christ-

ianize the Jews—we should not think of them as "the dirty Jew" but as an honored nation, for was not a Jewish maiden chosen to be the Mother of Our Lord? There are multitudes of Jews everywhere and they are wonderful people—one authority says, "Christianize the Jew, and you win the world for Christ."

During Lent we are to sew for missions every Thursday at 2 P. M. in the Parish House. We are anxious to finish up our quota of sewing, by Easter. You can make the garments in your own home if you had rather do so.

We are always desirous of obtaining new contributing members. Are there not some women in our Parish who will contribute a small amount, weekly, to the Woman's Auxiliary, even though it be only 5 cents? (This is less than a trolley fare.) If so, please send your name to Mrs. Topliff Johnson, Treas., 190 Maplewood Ave., and envelopes will be mailed to you.

We anticipate making some calls upon some of the ladies in our Parish, also, during Lent. We would like to see every woman of Christ Church, vitally interested in missions.

Please kindly remember to save your "Rummage" for us.

I cannot close this article without alluding to our great loss in losing Mrs. Vossler—as a member of our Auxiliary. She has worked with us for two years in a most conscientious, efficient and faithful manner, never wavering for a minute, in discharging her duties. A woman of the highest Christian integrity—her influence will be felt among us long after she has taken up her new life in the Rectory at Birdsboro, Pa.

"A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

L. M. R.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

It was with a distinct feeling of regret and loss that the members of the Men's Bible Class bade good-bye to the Rev. Arthur B. Vossler, as their teacher, on February 24th. To Mr. Vossler, personally, it was only an revoir because the friendships which have grown up between him and the members, are too deep to permit the few miles that separate them to make the parting permanent.

During the two years that Mr. Vossler taught the Class he endeared himself to all by his quiet, unassuming manner; his faithful and untiring effort to present the principles of Christian living to the men; his charitable position toward those who did not hold the same fundamentals that make up the groundwork of Christianity.

The Class, as a whole and as individuals, wish Mr. Vossler God-speed in the larger work he has undertaken as rector of St. Michael's, Birdsboro, Pa., and pray that God may bless him, and that "the faith, once delivered to the saints," may never falter in his keeping but by his efforts, may be seen and felt in the lives of others until at last he is permitted to hear those words of commendation, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Now, as in all phases of this life, we must turn from the sadness of parting to the more joyous words of welcome. The Class must go on regardless of those who, for various reasons, cannot be with it in person and it is with a deep sense of appreciation that we announce that, beginning March 2nd, Col. Sheldon Potter will become our teacher, for the time being at least. For many years Col. Potter was a faithful and valued worker in Christ Church Sunday School, both as a teacher and superintendent and the Class is indeed fortunate in securing his services.

We heartily welcome Col. Potter as our teacher and to those men of the parish who do not attend the Class, at 9.45 every Sunday morning, in the Parish House, we extend a cordial invitation to be present. There are many men in this community who do not go to church regularly—and some not at all—and the Class offers an opportunity for every man not only to benefit himself spiritually but to enlarge his field of labor by bringing "the other man" nearer to Christ through His Church.

Please accept this as a personal invitation to become a member of the Men's Bible Class. It may need a little effort on your part but the value received will more than compensate for any outlay you may make.

C. H. J.

CONFIRMATION OR THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

It is announced elsewhere in this issue of the Chimes that classes in

Confirmation are now being formed and instruction will soon be begun on the subject. "Confirmation" or "the Laying of the Hands" are synonymous terms in the Church. What do these terms mean?

We learn from the Acts of the Apostles that in the early days of the Church, after converts had been baptized, the Apostles used to lay their hands upon them for the further outpouring of the Holy Ghost. It was so in the case of those Samaritans to whom the Acts viii, v. 14 refers. We are told that "when the Apostles, who were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John, who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost (for as yet He was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus). Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost." It was so also in the case of certain believers at Ephesus, of whom St. Paul asked whether they had received the Holy Ghost when they believed, meaning thereby to inquire whether, after they were baptized, they had received the Laying on of Hands. Their answer showed that they had not received Christian Baptism at all, but had been baptized only with the baptism of John, that is, of John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord. Whereupon, by St. Paul's direction, they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and then he laid his hands on them; and "the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied."

The holy rite of "Laying on of Hands" has been continued in the Church from the beginning.

The service is called in our Prayer Book "Confirmation, or Laying on of Hands upon those who are Baptized."

The special blessing, then, which we are taught to connect with Confirmation is spiritual strength. If by Baptism we are taken into Christ,

and are made to be "in the Lord," by Confirmation we are made to be strong in the Lord." This is the teaching of Holy Scripture, and of the primitive Church, as Hooker says in those familiar words, "The Fathers everywhere impute to Confirmation that gift of grace of the Holy Spirit, not which makes us first Christian men, but, when we are made such, assisteth us in all virtue, and armeth us against temptation and sin."

GLADNESS AND HOPE

As President Coolidge was leaving the Washington correspondents after a short conference recently, he turned and said: "As the personal staff of the government you will, I hope, put a word of gladness and hope into what you write this evening."

The President's suggestion could well be heeded, not only in newspaper news and editorials but in many business communications as well as personal correspondence.

There is altogether too much formality about our business and social relationships. There are times, of course, when a rubber stamp is necessary and sufficient. There are times when "Yours truly" fills the bill, but there are other times when a word of hope and gladness would not be out of place, but thoroughly appreciated.

"Why not say, 'Sincerely yours,' or even 'Heartily yours,' at times? Why not say, 'With all good wishes,' 'Wishing you well in your good endeavors.' Why confine 'Merry Xmas' and 'Happy New Year' to one week only of the fifty-two?"

Surely it would not be unseemly for one business man to wish another well even at the end of a more or less formal letter. Add the "word of gladness and hope" in any form you will. Show an interest in your correspondent's business and progress. Wish him luck and make it cordial and hearty.

Especially in letters to the young can we be glad and hopeful of good results in their school or college work or their business or professional beginnings.

Perhaps the employer cannot bid a hearty "good morning" or "good night" to every employee, but he can to many and it leaves a good taste after a tired day.

Letters of condolence and sympathy as well as of congratulation are always appreciated. Take the trouble to send the kind message. Look on the bright side; be optimistic. Instill gladness and hope whenever possible. There are times when a word of encouragement is invaluable.

If there is a doubt give your neighbor or friend the benefit. It may be the turning point at some critical time. Gladness and hope is a good business proposition and President Coolidge did a mighty good job when he urged the newspaper correspondents to "put a word of gladness and hope in what you write this evening." We can all take the advice to ourselves with profit and pleasure.

—Selected.

A PERSONAL PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED:

In Memoriam

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, in whose embrace all creatures live, in whatsoever world or condition they be; I beseech Thee for him whose name and dwelling-place and every need Thou knowest. Lord, vouchsafe him light and rest, peace and refreshment, joy and consolation, in paradise, in the companionship of saints in the presence of Christ, in the ample folds of Thy great love.

Grant that his life (so troubled here) may unfold itself in Thy sight, and find a sweet employment in the spacious fields of eternity. If he hath ever been hurt or maimed by any unhappy word or deed of mine, I pray Thee of Thy great pity to heal and restore him that he may serve Thee without hindrance.

Tell him, O gracious Lord, if it may be, how much I love him and miss him, and long to see him again; and, if there be ways in which he may come, vouchsafe him to me as a guide and guard, and grant me a sense of his nearness in such degree as Thy laws permit.

If in aught I can minister to his peace, be pleased of Thy love to let this be; and mercifully keep me from every act which may deprive me of the sight of him as soon as our trial-time is over, or mar the fulness of our joy when the end of the days hath come.

Pardon, O gracious Lord and Father, whatsoever is amiss in this my prayer, and let Thy will be done, for my will is blind and erring, but Thine is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think: through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

A LETTER FROM THE ORGAN COMMITTEE

To The Members and Friends of Christ Church, Germantown.

When it was decided to create the parish of which we are members, the founders, more than seventy years ago, provided by their generosity the land, the buildings and the furnishings, including the church organ, which constituted the church property.

When by disaster the original church building was destroyed fifty years ago, the members of that time likewise generously provided the church building which we today use and enjoy.

Again, when the original organ through long usage had become worn out, the members of that time, about thirty years ago, provided the rebuilt organ which is still serving the congregation.

All of these things the present members have inherited, and the time has now arrived when an opportunity presents itself for this congregation and the friends of the parish to emulate in a degree the deeds of their predecessors.

Another crisis has been reached in the life of the organ of the Church.

The Vestry has had an expert make

a very thorough survey of the condition of the organ, and it has been concluded that a New Organ is needed.

The Vestry has also authorized a committee to conduct a campaign to obtain subscriptions to a fund to meet the expense of installing in the church an organ which will be worthy of both the church and the present congregation.

It is hoped and believed that everyone in any way interested in Christ Church will consider this not so much an appeal as an opportunity to show forth the same spirit of generosity toward the church as was exhibited by the former members of the parish.

The suggestion is made to everyone that they give this matter most careful consideration, and prepare themselves to contribute to this memorial of the present congregation as generously as their blessings in material things will permit.

Do not wait until the actual appeal for subscriptions is made, but begin now to so consider this an opportunity to do in part what others have so handsomely done for us, that when the first offering for this purpose is presented, which is planned to be on Easter Day—1924—you may fully enjoy that gratification which comes with the success of a worthy undertaking.

The committee is open to receive subscriptions at any time, or they may be forwarded, properly designated, to the Accounting Warden, although none will be solicited as payable before Easter.

That the members may more conveniently have as large a part in this memorial to themselves as they may desire, subscriptions will be received payable over a term of years, and may be made payable monthly, quarterly or annually.

Each member should subscribe, not that which he or she *wants* to give, but that which he or she is *able* to give to their church.

If we believe and feel that Christ Church is our Church, and if all will give in unison and harmony, success will crown our efforts in the undertaking.

THOMAS H. CARMICHAEL
U. G. ROWLEY
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of Hour for Sunday Morning Service

Following the precedent of last year, the hour of the Sunday morning service during the months of July and August and continuing until Sunday, September 13th (inclusive) will be at **half past ten**, instead of eleven o'clock. This change of hour will go into effect on the first Sunday in July, the 6th.

This change of hour to half past ten will bring the mid-day service to a cooler part of the day. It will also afford the scholars of the Church School the opportunity of attending the Church service. During the summer months of last year there was a large attendance on the part of the members at the Church service. A short talk will be given to the young people, preceding the sermon. The entire service will be over before noon.

The hour of the other Sunday services will remain the same—Holy Communion, every Sunday at 7.30 A. M. Shortened Form of Evening Prayer with address, 7.45 P. M.

Please remember the hour of the Mid-day Sunday Service—10.30, Daylight Saving Time, beginning Sunday morning July 6th and continuing to Sunday, September 13th (inclusive).

The Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, will be in charge of the services at Christ Church, during July and the Rev. George Mair, Rector St. Stephen's Church, Bridesburg, during August.

The services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time, if word is left at the Rectory.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE IN SUMMER

I want to say a word in regard to Church attendance during the summer months; not only to those who will remain at home during the summer, but also to those who will go away for a while, either for a longer or a shorter period.

Some one has said, "If the angels look down into our empty Churches, during the summer months, and see the unused Prayer Books of so many church people, they must shed bitter tears." Meanwhile what are these people doing? Here, during the winter, you see them in Church with a fair degree of regularity; but there, away from home, their Church and religion is never thought of. I speak not of the fearful consequences of their neglect of their religious duties, upon themselves alone,—this certainly means a lowering of their spiritual life,—but of the awful effect of their irreligion and Church indifference upon the people of the community, where they spend their vacations. It is demoralizing to the people in the country district, if the city man and woman present, Sunday after Sunday, the spectacle of religious indifference or Sunday desecration. If we use that day for purposes which make Church going a mockery, is it likely that the young man or woman living in that community, seeing the example set by "summer visitors," is going to have a particularly high ideal of the sacred obligations of the Lord's Day? Still less, will the countryman, or the servant in the hotel or the native inhabitant, think of his spiritual obligations on this day, if he knows that the summer visitor, who so openly scorns God's House in the summer and dese-

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crates Sunday, is, in the winter, a reputable member—perhaps a Sunday School teacher or a vestryman—in a city church?

It does not matter how good a man may be in his private life, his influence, through his public example in neglecting his Church and his religious duties, is a direct contribution to the lowering of the standard of the community, and this, of course, results, in time, in the eventual degradation of the nation. To whom may God, some day, lay the charge of the decadence of religion in the country? May it not be laid to the Godless example of the summer visitor? "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself."

My friends, let us, therefore, for these summer months, resolve that, no matter where we may be—among strangers in the country, at the shore, or among our friends, at home—we will be loyal to God in summer as well as in winter; that we will be regular in our attendance upon the worship of God and faithful in our Communion, for "the strengthening and refreshing of our own souls and for the influence that our example will have upon others."

RULES FOR HOLY COMMUNION

1. "When you come forward to receive Holy Communion be careful not to crowd other people. Try also to let members of families kneel side by side. It often means much to them. Remember that consideration for others is no where so fitting as at the Lord's table."

2. "In approaching the rail, go to the right or to left, to allow persons behind you to kneel at the center of the rail."

3. "If the rail is full, kneel down on the chancel floor until your turn comes. If it is difficult for you to kneel in the chancel, return to the front pew in the Church and kneel. Do not remain standing in the Chancel while the Elements are being administered."

4. "Receive the Elements into ungloved hands. The rubric directs that they are to be received into the hands of the people. It is well to place the palm of one hand on top of the other and receive the bread from the hand of the Priest in the upper hand."

5. "Be sure to take the Cup or Chalice into your hands. Grasp it firmly and guide it to your lips. The hats of women who kneel often make it impossible for the celebrant to see their faces. Drink from the Chalice without turning it."

6. "Pray while you are kneeling at the rail. Strive fully to realize what the service means. Pray especially for greater love of God and for others. Be sure too, to offer a prayer of thanksgiving at this time."

7. When you return to your seat, kneel and continue your prayer and thanksgiving. At no time, allow your eyes to wander about the congregation or gaze at others. You should learn to use your Prayer Book for devotional reading and prayer.

8. Never leave the Church until after the Benediction unless absolutely compelled to do so. It would be excessively rude to get up from the table and leave the house of a friend, before the meal was finished, except for serious cause. Will you show less respect at the Lord's Table?

9. "When you return to your seat continue your prayers and thanksgivings. You should learn to use your Prayer Book to this end."

10. "Never leave the Church till the Benediction has been pronounced, unless absolutely compelled to do so. You would not leave the house of a friend before the meal was finished except for serious cause. The Lord's Supper is far more important."

11. "Every Christian should come to the Holy Communion regularly,—at least once a month, and also on **Christmas Day, Easter Day and Whitsunday**. These days have long been recognized in the Church as great 'days of obligation'."

12. Finally, or rather, first and most important of all, heed carefully and conscientiously and prayerfully the work of Exhortation in the Prayer Book:

"It is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to those who will presume to receive it unworthily."

"The way and means to come thereto is: First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's commandments; and whereinsoever ye shall perceive your-

selves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to repent you of your sins, and to confess yourselves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life. And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbors; then ye shall reconcile yourselves unto them; being ready to make restitution and satisfaction, according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewise ready to forgive others who have offended you, as ye would have forgiveness of your offences at God's hand."

DIOCESAN CONVENTION UPHOLDS ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW

At the meeting of the Convention of the Diocese on May 6, 1924, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Many are claiming the right to disobey and to encourage others to disobey the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and the laws enacted in its support; and,

Whereas, Such action is subversive of all law, is a great danger to all government, is particularly menacing to the younger generation, and is morally indefensible;

Therefore be it Resolved by this 140th Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, that,

(1) It is the clear duty of every member of the Church to observe these laws, whether approving them or not, and to support the effort of all those in authority who are responsible for their enforcement; and that,

(2) The Mayor of Philadelphia and the Director of Public Safety and all other public officials within the Diocese of Pennsylvania who are endeavoring to enforce and support these laws be commended for their effort;

And be it further Resolved that,

(a) Copies of these resolutions be printed and sent to our parochial clergy in numbers sufficient for distribution among their several congregations; and, the clergy be requested to read the same at a morning and evening service, and to preach on the subject; and that,

(b) The Executive Council be and hereby is instructed to take such steps as it may think helpful towards carrying out the purpose of these resolutions, and to report at the next Convention.

THOMAS J. GARLAND,
President of the Convention.

The above action taken by the Diocesan Convention is, in the judgment of the Rector, highly commendable and heroic. It puts the Church in this diocese unequivocally and square-footed on the side of law and order and righteousness, as opposed to the present day spirit of anarchy and crime. It commends the efforts of the public officials who are performing their sworn duty in an endeavor to enforce and support the law.

There were many good citizens who were opposed to the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment. That was their inalienable right. But now that the Amendment has been lawfully passed and made a part of the Constitution of the United States, no good citizen has a right to oppose its enforcement or to encourage others in a violation of the law.

The Amendment is here and, in our judgment, it is here to stay. Whether we like it or not, as long as it is here it should be enforced. We cannot pick and choose which laws we will obey and which we will disobey. To do this is to strike at the basic principle of Democratic government. Every law-abiding citizen, every patriot will aid in the enforcement of the law and will have respect to law and government.

The Supreme Court of the United States has decided it is the law of the land to take intoxicating liquor out of the category of commercial commodities and to prevent their use for beverage purposes; hence enforcement means securing the spirit of the statute as well as the letter. He who takes offense at the enforcement of law is not truly a lover of law and order. He is at heart an anarchist and, therefore, an enemy to all law and order.

By a large majority, the framers of the Constitution of the United States were Churchmen. It is, therefore, consistent that this Church, which lays claim to be called the "American Church," should be the Church which upholds the American Constitution and demands from its members obedience of the law of the land.

The action taken by the last Convention of this diocese in passing the foregoing preamble and resolutions is in the spirit of the fathers whose loyalty to the Church embraced loyalty to their country and respect to the powers that be.

OUR NEW ORGAN

From a financial point of view, Christ Church is now engaged in its largest enterprise since the rebuilding of the church.

The support of every member—man, woman and child, is necessary for its complete success. Everyone should be concerned in the effort to provide suitable facilities for good music in our church.

Our present organ has done effective work for several generations of worshippers, but it is now worn out. It still contains a few pipes so sweet in tone that after re-voicing they will be incorporated into the new instrument.

As the past provided for us, so we in our time must secure an instrument suitable for present and future needs.

The organ has undergone many improvements, and while we feel that nothing is too good for Christ Church, your Vestry has been guided along practical, conservative lines so that our new instrument will contain all proper requirements for the modern rendition of church music, without the expense involved in fancy pipes which are seldom or never used.

It is proposed to tear down our present organ during August so as to be ready for the placing of the new instrument during the fall in time for our Christmas music.

This will require some changes in the chancel and probably its re-decoration,—the expense of which is legitimately a part of the installation of the organ.

To furnish the means for all of the above, your Vestry would appeal to every member of Christ Church who has not already subscribed to the Organ Fund to do so at once. Payments may be made monthly or quarterly or in two annual payments as we have two years in which to complete our payments. It is, however, desirable to have every member pledged at the beginning so that the Vestry may be in position to make payments as they are due.

One dollar a month for two years from those who have not yet subscribed would furnish a sufficient amount to meet all payments.

Some can give more and some less, but let all have a part in the great work

of placing a suitable organ in Christ Church.

Pledge forms and moneys should be sent to Edward Bains, Stenton above Wyoming avenue, Germantown.

T. H. C.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NEW ORGAN

Up to the time the Chimes goes to press, there has been received from paid up subscriptions and pledges for the new organ the amount of \$14,015.00.

This, together with the amount received at the seventieth anniversary, makes a total of \$15,165.00 in hand and subscribed.

Only 76 persons have thus far responded, as follows:

Subscriptions, \$5.00 to \$50.00, inclusive, from 44 persons.

Subscriptions, \$50.00 to \$100.00, inclusive, from 19 persons.

Subscriptions, \$100.00 to \$500.00, inclusive, from 7 persons.

Subscriptions, \$500.00, from 1 person.

Subscriptions, \$1,000.00, each, from 4 persons.

Subscription \$5,000.00 from one person.

Twenty thousand dollars will be required to cover cost of the organ, installation and necessary alterations. Trusting to the interest and generosity of those who have not, as yet, responded to the appeal, the Vestry has awarded the contract for the new organ to the Hall Organ Company of West Haven, Connecticut. It will take about six months to build and install the organ and it is hoped that by December 1st the congregation of Christ Church will be led in worship by one of the best organs in the city. As the benefit of this valuable addition to Christ Church will be shared in by all who worship here, it is earnestly hoped that the full list of subscribers, which will appear in the next issue of the Chimes, will include 100 per cent. of the membership of the parish. Subscriptions of any amount, payment to extend over a period of two years, if so desired, will be welcomed by the Committee.

Grateful acknowledgement is made to the following persons, whose subscriptions have been received up to the time the Chimes goes to press:

Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt, John Falkner Arndt, David Butler Arndt, Robert N. D. Arndt, Mr. Charles Ard.

Mr. Edward Bains, Mrs. Elizabeth Baisbrown, Mr. Samuel Baxter, Mrs. Emily J. Benerman, Mr. Ernest Blood, Mrs. Ernest Blood, Mrs. Arthur Bruce.

Dr. Thomas H. Carmichael, Mrs. Thomas H. Carmichael, Mr. W. H. Clausen, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Theron J. Crane, Miss Dora Crowder, Miss Gertrude M. Crowder, Mrs. Walter J. Crowder, Mrs. Bertha Case, Miss Emma Crowder.

Mrs. Lemuel H. Davis, Mr. L. Howell Davis, Mr. John F. Davidson, Miss Jenny Davidson, Miss Annie Davidson, Miss Georgeanna F. Dean, Miss Elizabeth S. Demeuth, Miss Lousie E. Dietz.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Feist, Mrs. Florence B. Fitzpatrick, Miss Florence D. Fitzpatrick, Miss Eleanor Fitzpatrick, Mr. Robert F. Fitzpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Frech.

Mr. Samuel L. Gerhard, Mrs. Samuel L. Gerhard, Miss Grace M. Gerhard, Miss Sara M. Gray.

Mrs. Edgar D. Hilleary, Miss Elizabeth L. Hilleary, Mr. John R. Henderson, Mr. Charles Heyer.

Charles C. Jones, Dr. William N. Johnson, Mrs. William N. Johnson, Mrs. M. A. Johnson.

Dr. Edwin F. Kamerly, Mr. Granville Klink.

Miss Harriet A. Lehman, Mr. R. Frank Lehman, Mr. Robert J. Lehman, Mrs. Robert J. Lehman, Mr. Frederick Lennig, Mrs. Charles L. Lockwood, Mrs. Emily G. Longstreth.

Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, Mr. George F. Morgan, Mr. Richard H. Morris, Mr. Joseph S. Moyer, Mrs. R. P. Mogridgo.

Miss M. Martine Nixon.

Miss Frances W. O'Brien.

Mr. S. Dare Parker, Mr. Sheldon Potter, Mr. William R. Pugh, Miss Caroline Parker.

Mrs. Alice F. W. Rawls, Mr. Henry S. Ritter, Miss Ellen C. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Rowley, Mrs. William D. Rees.

Mr. Walter M. Schwartz, Mr. Leon G. Smith, Miss Anna W. Strawbridge.

Mr. Roland L. Taylor.

Mrs. Frank Wells, Mrs. Mary Wismer, Mr. J. M. Woodroffe, Mrs. J. M. Woodroffe.

G. F. S. CHRIST CHURCH

The Girl's Friendly of Christ Church, Germantown, held its last meeting for the season last Tuesday evening, June 9th.

This month has witnessed two successful efforts on the part of the organization.

The first was our play—"Twas Ever Thus," given in the Parish House on the evening of June 5th. The proceeds of the play will help finance the Friendly in its work next season. We have had much praise for the effort expended on the play—it being pronounced a great success, and many requests have been made for its repetition, for which we thank our patrons. We would also like to take this occasion to express our appreciation to our co-worker and member, Beatrice Spooner, to whom is due not only the honor of being the author of the musical comedy, but also the coach and stage manager, and to her indomitable energy is due the success.

We also took our part in the annual Diocesan G. F. S. Lawn Party, held on the grounds of the Germantown Cricket Club, Saturday, June 7th. The day was glorious, the attendance large, hence a very satisfactory outcome. The proceeds from this affair go first, to a Scholarship at the Bryn Mawr Summer School, and second to a Scholarship in the White Williams Foundation. Each Scholarship is granted by vote to a G. F. S. member. The funds remaining will be devoted to other Diocesan purposes in which the G. F. S. find occasion to assist.

We will open our meetings the first Tuesday in October, and hope to be able to record many new members and associates.

We have good times, do good work, and all who join us will receive a hearty welcome.

L. J. J.



"We are off for the country! Thank you so much!"

POOR CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 29th. It will cost \$4.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small, dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give; and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less for-

tunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

The amount received last year from the members of Christ Church for the Poor Children's Outing Fund was \$162.20. This was divided among the "Children's Country Week Association," the "Union Settlement House," the "Bedford Street Mission" and the "Episcopal City Mission," organizations which are doing social work among the poor of our city. The following letters, received by the Rector, will show how highly the contributions of Christ Church people were appreciated by the organizations through which these poor children were sent into the country or to the seashore for a week or ten days:

August 2nd, 1923.

Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt, D. D.,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Dear Sir:

We thank you for your letter enclosing annual contribution from the Christ Episcopal Church of Germantown.

Our whole Organization very much appreciates the active and substantial inter-

est which you have been taking in our work, and sincerely hope that we may warrant the continuation of it. . . .

We enclose herewith our receipt for your contribution, and hope that you will call at the Mission whenever you have an opportunity, for such personal interest which you have been giving to our work is a great encouragement to our Workers.

Very sincerely,
BEDFORD STREET MISSION,
Wm. T. Lewellyn, Sec. & Treas.

August 11, 1923.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.,
Orr's Island, Maine.
My dear Dr. Arndt:

We have received information from the Diocese of the generous gift for the Children's Summer Fund from Christ Church and from the Sunday School for the same purpose, making \$70.00 in all for the use of the City Mission in its summer work.

I want to take this opportunity of expressing to you our heartfelt appreciation for this generous remembrance from Christ Church and the Sunday School and I hope you will express these sentiments to each and every member of your parish, as it is the kind of work that does more good than can be expressed in figures. It may mean the saving of a life of a mother and child and it is bound to mean better health and strength to meet the hard problems of life which face all those who will receive the benefit of this gift.

May God bless each and every one of the givers and may their summer be even more satisfactory and beneficial to them because of their generous remembrance of God's poor.

With best wishes, I am

Most cordially yours,

H. Cresson McHenry,
General Secretary.

Children's Country Week Association
August 1st, 1923.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

We acknowledge receipt of the gift to the work of the Children's Country Week Association from Christ Episcopal Church, Germantown, and want to add just a line to assure you how grateful we are for your interest and effort. Your

contribution has made it possible for these little children to have a week's outing at one of our homes, where they have had the benefit, not only of fresh air and good food, but have enjoyed hiking, swimming and all pleasures of camp life under direction of trained Counsellors whose sole duty it is to plan for the amusement of our little guests.

Should you wish to become acquainted with our work, we invite you to visit our homes which are open during the summer months and you can then witness the happiness of these children.

Sincerely yours,
Laura Baker Miller Blithe
(Mrs. N. L. Blithe),
President.

Grace Union Settlement House
1032 Federal St., Phila.
Rev. Chas. Henry Arndt, D. D.
Germantown, Pa.
Dear Dr. Arndt:

Thank you so much for your kind contribution toward sending our poor little children to the country. It has been an untold blessing to them.

I should like to tell you about several of the families benefitted. One, a poor widow with six delicate children whom she is struggling to support. Poor half-starved little things! It would have rejoiced your heart to have seen them on their return. They looked like different children.

Another was a family of eleven who live in a little three-room house. Ten were sent out. They were so happy they thought it was Heaven.

Again thanking you and praying God to richly bless you for your kindness to these His little ones, I am

Gratefully yours,
Annie M. Miller, Supt.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The first half of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary for the year is over. Much has been attempted, something accomplished and many big things still remain to be done. Our last meeting was held in the Parish House on May 15th; the reports from our delegates, given that day, were particularly fine and instructive and we adjourned for the summer, with the conviction that the

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Easter Carol Service

Easter Evening found the Church well filled with scholars, their parents and friends, and many people said the singing was better than in past years, although most of the carols were new to us.

A remembrance was given to each member of the School who had been present for at least a year without missing. The record is as follows:

9 YEARS	
Mrs. Baishbrown	
BETWEEN 5 and 6 YEARS	
Elizabeth Haas	
BETWEEN 4 and 5 YEARS	
Martha McHenry	Nancy Courtney
Marion Feist	Mary Keenan
BETWEEN 3 and 4 YEARS	
John Hannan	Josephine Wright
Howard Logan	Mary Johnson
Anna B. Bradley	
BETWEEN 2 and 3 YEARS	
Margaret Boyer	Helen Jackson
Robert Hance	Doris Hance
Marjorie Wismer	Graham Klink
Jein Gilfallan	Robert Klink
James Carmint	Frank Stryke
Allen Fermier	Alberta Wright
BETWEEN 1 and 2 YEARS	
Thos. Hodge	Marjorie Stryke
Anna Johnson	Olara Hilliard
Dorothy Ballantyne	Jane Courtney
Alfred Rittenhouse	Edward Wilcox
Florence Osborne	Chas. Holcomb

If the attendance of the above scholars is added together, it would amount to one scholar attending the school for over ninety-three years without missing.

The following were promoted from the Primary Department to the Main School:

Herbert Wismer	John Patterson
Walter Field	John Pritchard
George Foust, Jr.	William Stryke
William Frech	Jein Fitch
George Johnson	Beatrice Johnson
Robert Heiler	Louise McIlhenny
Wilbur Long	Charlotte Metz

Caroline Dove

Commendation was given to 24 scholars who attended the morning Church service every Sunday during Lent.

Easter Offering

Our Easter Mite Box Offering for missions this year again "went over the top" and amounted to \$833.89, which is \$82 more than last year and \$558 more than the year before. Next year we may get into the "Thousand Dollar Class," who knows? We can if we keep "Missions" in our mind all the year and each week lay something aside for it.

Our amount was realized this year only because most of the scholars entered in-

"time is ripe" when it is necessary for each and every woman in our Parish to become vitally interested in this missionary work, if we are to accomplish the things we have planned to do in 1924.

As you know, we are trying to raise by our special efforts this year, the sum of \$500.00 (five hundred) to be given to two objects, which will count on our Parish Quota. It was voted at the May meeting to send \$250.00 of this anticipated amount to Christ School for Girls, at Arden, North Carolina, and the other half, to our work in China (the object to be decided upon in the autumn). China will be the subject of the Mission Study Classes next winter.

At the present time we have \$70.00 in hand, of our \$500.00 special.

On Tuesday evening, June 24th at 8 o'clock, we have arranged to give a "Musical" at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Wurts, 267 East Johnson Street, with a Silver Offering which will be applied to the above named special.

Every member of the Parish is most cordially invited to this "Musical" and their friends also. The "talent," who are giving their services for this affair, is very fine.

Will you, men and women, of Christ Church co-operate with us in enlisting the interest of others in this "Musical," so as to make it a success?

A delightful evening is promised to all those who will attend.

Please kindly remember to save your "Rummage" for us, for our sale in the Fall.

The meetings of our fortnightly Mission Study Group are still held, in private homes and are enjoyed by all those who attend. We would gladly welcome others to these meetings as they are free to all women of our Parish.

I cannot close this article without saying a few words of commendation and thanks to our faithful active members who have so willingly and untiringly discharged their duties during the past Winter and Spring. Remember that prayer is the foundation of our success.

We shall hope to welcome new workers to our Auxiliary in the Autumn for your "Opportunity is at hand." "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." "And let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

L. M. R.

to the spirit of mission work not only with their minds but with their hands and feet, individually earning money and, as classes, giving a play, fair, cake and candy sales and helping in other ways. The space allotted to this article is too small to describe in detail what was done. The total amount given by all the Sunday Schools of this Diocese was over \$70,000.

Picnic

This year we are going to try a new arrangement. Instead of having a Picnic for all at one time, each class is going when and where it pleases, possibly 2 or 3 classes going together.

The Primary School will hold its Picnic on the Parish House grounds on Saturday, June 28th from 3 to 5 o'clock to which parents of the scholars are invited.

Summer School

As usual during July and August and part of September instead of our regular sessions the school will attend the church service at 10.30, at which service there will be a short talk to the School by the clergyman in charge. We are all glad to know that the Rev. Mr. Goodman will again be with us during the Rector's absence in the month of July. The Rev. George Mair will have charge during August. This will be the first time that Mr. Mair has been with us.

Confirmation

Fifteen members of the class that the Rector presented to the Bishop on Thursday before Easter came direct from the Sunday School, making a total of over 70 in the last four years that have entered the Church from our school. R. H. M.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

On Easter Monday, April 21st, was held the annual election of Vestrymen of Christ Church, to serve for three years. These annual elections are in this parish, as they are in most parishes, mere matters of form, although the election is always announced and the names of nominees are duly posted before the day of election. The judges of election were Charles A. Jackson, James Carmint, Jr., and William S. Crowder. The Vestrymen elected were Dr. Thomas H. Carmichael, Edward Bains, U. G. Rowley and William H. Clausen, the latter to succeed Charles W. Sutcliffe, resigned.

At the first meeting of the Vestry, held on Easter Tuesday, the Rector re-appointed James M. Woodroffe, Rector's Warden and Edward Bains was re-elected Accounting Warden. Richard H. Morris was appointed Secretary, pro tem.

The following were elected: **Delegates to the Diocesan Convention**—Col. Sheldon Potter, James M. Woodroffe, Richard H. Morris. **Alternates**, Dr. Johnson, Messrs. Bains, Rowley. **Choir Committee**—Dr. Carmichael, Messrs. Bains, Morris. **Sunday School Committee**—Messrs. Morris, Rowley, Bains. **Finance Committee**—Dr. Johnson, Messrs. Woodroffe, Rowley. **Property Committee**—Messrs. Lennig, Middleton, Rowley. **Every Member Cans**—Messrs. Clausen, Middleton, Lennig.

HERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR HELPFUL SERVICE

Mrs. Henry Cox, Chairman of the Knitting Committee of the Diocesan Supply Bureau, begs the different parishes to do as much knitting as possible during the summer so we may have warm garments to give out to our own church organizations in the Diocese as soon as cold weather comes. Wool may be purchased at practically wholesale prices from the Diocesan Supply Bureau. During the summer season nearly all our church women, it is hoped, may find opportunity to give a little helpful service in this work.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild will be very glad to have members of the congregation supply flowers from their gardens during the summer months. The following committee will be on duty and if notified will arrange to call for the flowers if it is not convenient to send them to the church.

July 6th—The Misses Dean, Crowder and McHenry.

July 13th—Mrs. Mogridge and Miss Stryke.

July 20th—Miss Wismer.

July 27th—Mrs. Mogridge and Miss Wismer.

August 3d—Miss Wismer.

August 10th—The Misses Gerhard, Stryke, Higgenbotham and Wismer.

August 17th—The Misses Chase K. Wertsner and Smith.

August 24th—Mrs. Mogridge and Miss Wismer.

August 31st—The Misses Dean, Crowder and McHenry.

As a prelude to the play given by the G. F. S. on June 9th, in the Parish House, Miss Eleanor Pinkerton's Sunday School Class gave a very attractive sketch, entitled, "Snow White and Rose Red." It was enthusiastically received by the large audience present and reflected great credit on the members of the class. The proceeds of the evening were shared by the G. F. S. and were added to the class Lenten offering to Missions.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

June 1st—Sunday after Ascension.

June 8th—Whitsunday.

June 11th—St. Barnabas.

June 15th—Trinity.

June 22nd—First Sunday after Trinity.

June 29th—Second Sunday after Trinity (St. Peter's).

BAPTIZED

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

June 8—Marjorie Heald.

CONFIRMED

"Defend, O Lord this Thy Servant with Thy heavenly grace; that he (or she) may continue Thine forever; and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more until he (or she) come unto Thy Heavenly Kingdom. Amen."

Wayne Townsend Ash

William Blank

Elizabeth Blanche Bose

Margaret Gertrude Boyer

Jane Isabel Courtney

Helen Helener Dove

James Eckersley Gillingham

Dorothy Gregg

Elizabeth Laird Hilleary

Anna Elizabeth Johnston

Mary Ellen Johnston

Conrad Herbert Lower

Cecil Mahoney

Laura Lois Ortman

Rosina May Taylor

Carl Raymond Windmiller
Robert Lewis Winter
Anthony Zammit

MARRIED

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

June 2—James Frank Hooker, Grace White.

June 5—Oscar Newton Middleton, Jessie Elizabeth Finckel.

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"Looking for the general Resurrection and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

May 2—Elizabeth T. Lundelius

May 7—Anna M. Thomas

May 12—Charles C. Gray

May 13—Joan B. Lippincott Gibson

June 5—George B. Brown, Sr.

No issue of the Chimes will be published during the summer months. The next issue will be in September, when announcements of the meetings and winter programs of the Parish Societies will be made.

All Societies have adjourned until autumn. During the summer months the members of the Church School will attend the service in the Church on Sunday mornings at half past ten o'clock, daylight saving time. A short address will be given each Sunday to young people, after which the scholars of the School who wish to do so, may leave the Church during the singing of the hymn. The usual sermon will follow.

Both the mid-day and the evening service will be shortened form, with hearty congregational singing.

HAVE WEDDINGS IN THE CHURCH

It is a strange misapprehension of the fitness of things which so frequently suggests to the minds of devout people that it is "lovely to have the wedding at home." There are sentimental reasons for it we know. But these are trifling in comparison with the reasons why the marriage should be solemnized at the Church.

What is marriage? It is the union of a Christian man and a Christian woman, which St. Paul tells us is a type of the

union between Christ and His Church. It is a service in which the father of the bride, with his own hand, gives his daughter to God (Who is represented by the Priest), and by the Priest she is given to the groom, who receives her from the hand of the Priest as "a gift from God." If the union does symbolize the divine union between Christ and His Church; if the bride is God's gift to the groom, what place is so fit for its solemnization as the Church to receive God's gift?

Besides all this, we ask God to give His fullest blessing to the two souls who have just made their solemn and indissoluble vows each to the other. While it is true that God will give His blessing to one who seeks it earnestly, wherever he may be, if we are free to go where it may most naturally be sought, where will we be drawn so strongly as to His temple?

The Prayer Book service is designed only to be used in the Church. The third rubric at the beginning of the service reads: "At the day and time appointed for solemnization of Matrimony, the persons to be married shall come into the body of the church, or shall be ready in some proper house, with their friends and neighbors." The "proper house" would mean that in the case of struggling missions, or other places where there is no church, the "house" where the services are customarily said, would be used for the marriage. In all other places, the church is the proper place.

We commend this subject most earnestly and prayerfully to our readers. And while we fully enter into the sentimental reasons which cluster about the family hearth and which love to associate the sacred ties of life with the earthly home, we are very sure that when we consider the solemnization of Holy Matrimony and all that it means, it is much more to the mind of the Church that this be done in the House of God. We believe, too, that marriage vows taken before the altar of God will not so lightly be set aside by attempted divorces as those made elsewhere. Do you think, too, that the argument for the statement of "home weddings" loses all of its weight in communities such as ours, in cities where we do not have a permanent home, but flit about from flat to flat, with no perman-

ent abiding place. Our only real home is God's house, where He loves to have us meet with Him, and pours out upon our opening and yearning hearts His most abundant blessings.

ARE THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE HONEST?

How many of the people, whom you pass on the streets, are absolutely honest? "Four out of five!" answers Solomon Ulmer. He recently demonstrated this by an odd experiment.

Ulmer, head of a mortgage company in Cleveland, is raising money for a new tuberculosis sanitarium in Los Angeles. He picked 1000 names at random from his local city directory. To each of these he mailed this letter, with a \$1 bill enclosed:

"You can keep this dollar if you want to, but we hope you won't. We hope you'll send it and another one to me as your subscription to the fund. We believe everyone is really kind and generous. We are investing \$1000 to prove that belief. Have we made a good investment? What is your answer?"

Out of the 1000 who received a letter and \$1 bill, 600 returned the dollar with at least one more, 200 sent the dollar back alone, and 200 kept the dollar.

The 200, of course, are not dishonest as the law views such things. They were told they could keep the dollar if they preferred. But an appeal was made to them in a good cause and they were put on their honor to repay.

At any rate, at least four out of five are absolutely honest, and three out of five are generous as well as honest.

Cases like this give us renewed confidence in our fellowmen at large—especially the strangers whose elbows brush ours on the street.

As you follow the daily news and read of hold-ups, confidence games, swindles and burglary, maybe you occasionally get the notion that the world reeks with dishonesty.

Not so. The dishonest cases are the exceptions. That's why they are news—a record of the unusual. Honesty is so common and general, that cases of it are not news.

Let us have faith in our fellows, and inspire that faith in others!

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

VACATIONS ARE ENDED

Now that vacation days are ended, I hope to see the members of Christ Church regularly in their places in the House of God.

There is always a danger in summer vacations; a danger that they may foster habits of idleness and make it difficult for one promptly and fully to take up again in the fall, life's more serious problems and duties and responsibilities. This ought not to be. The object of a vacation is, or should be, recreation, that is re-creation. A vacation should be a rest to mind, body and soul, with this definite end in view—that one may return better fitted for life's work, with renewed vigor, nobler purposes, and higher ideals.

If this has not been the result of our vacation, then our time has been wasted and our vacation has been to us more harm than good.

Our duty now and our privilege is to take our place immediately in the ranks of Christian Service.

There should be no delay, no procrastination. Life is too serious; duties are too pressing; the time is too short.

The world is calling for true unselfish, consecrated men and women.

Our duty is plain. The question is: Shall we be faithless or true?

As soon as each returns from his vacation, he should present himself before the altar in the House of God, and offer unto God praise and thanksgiving, and himself—"his soul and body to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice."

I most earnestly pray—yes, let every one of us most earnestly pray—that God's Holy Spirit may come with power into each life in this parish, to arouse

the indifferent, to raise the fallen, to give patience and courage to the faithful, that all may be filled more and more with the love of Christ, which will manifest itself in unselfish, consecrated service.

STRANGERS AND OCCASIONAL ATTENDANTS

The Rector is pleased to see and to welcome the strangers and occasional worshippers who attend the Services of Christ Church. He is disappointed, however, that these strangers who attend occasionally, continue to remain "strangers." He is very anxious to meet them personally and to invite them to identify themselves with the Parish.

The Parish needs the co-operation of every one, and every one needs a "Church Home." No one ought to be content to remain an "outsider," without a Church which he can call his own.

There are many good people going through life without a "Church Home." This is all wrong—wrong to the Church and wrong to themselves. The Rector hopes that persons in this community, who are not settled in any Church, will make themselves known to him at once and he will be pleased to meet them and to welcome them to Christ Church. Do not delay longer. Do it now!

WHY WAIT?

"I wish that he could have seen you before he died." That is what someone said to the Rector the other day. It is a strange idea in the minds of some, that the clergy should never be called until the sick person is very sick or perhaps almost at the point of death. It would be much more satisfactory for all con-

cerned if the information could come whenever the person is sick enough to send for a doctor. We wish to remind the people of the parish that the clergy are just as close to them as the telephone, and that they are always glad to come when called, but that up to the present time no invention has been discovered which enables them to know when people are sick without being told or called.—St. Stephen's Parish News.

DIOCESE PREPARES FOR EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

Call for Concerted Action in All Parishes

The following is taken from the Diocesan paper, "The Church News":

"Plans are rapidly maturing for a concerted and co-operative movement by all Parishes in the Diocese to give special emphasis and support to the Annual Every-Member Canvass in the Diocese this year.

"Following action by the Executive Council of the Diocese at its last meeting, Bishop Garland appointed a special committee for the Diocese on Nation-Wide Campaign. This committee has had several meetings and has outlined a program, which is meeting with strong support in virtually every direction.

"It is proposed holding the Annual Every-Member Canvass throughout the Diocese on Sunday, December 7th. In preparation for the Canvass a three days' Diocesan Institute is to be held in St. James' Church, Twenty-second and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia with morning, afternoon and night sessions on each day. Three sessions each day have been planned so that opportunity may be given everybody to attend one or more of the sessions. The dates tentatively fixed for the Institute are October 20th, 21st and 22nd. These dates fall on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

"Announcement is to be made of the speakers who will address the Institute. They will include representatives of the General Church from national headquarters and from our own Diocese and Parishes. At all sessions the Church's Mission will be presented. Information of what the Church is doing and what the Church is hoping to accomplish also will be presented. Emphasis will be laid

on methods by which Parishes have helped and can strengthen and push forward the work of the Church at home and in the mission field.

"The importance and value of the Institute are being stressed by the Diocesan committee. The committee is aiming to have all the churches of the Diocese represented at the Institute sessions by men and women who will carry back to their own churches the information received at the Institute. By this means it is hoped to stimulate interest in the Every-Member Canvass among our church people throughout the Diocese."

An Every-Member Canvass has not been held in Christ Church Parish for several years. In all probability Christ Church will "fall in line" with the other Parishes of the Diocese and have an Every-Member Canvass at the same time.

AN INTERESTING SERIES OF "INFORMATIVE MISSIONARY SERVICES"

The Rector has arranged to hold an "Informative Missionary Service" on the second Sunday morning of each month, during the coming winter.

The object the Rector has in mind is to give the members and attendants of Christ Church first-hand information on the subject of the Church's work in the different parts of the Missionary field, by speakers who are best acquainted with the condition and needs.

Through the help and courtesy of the Field Department of the National Council in New York, the Rector has been enabled to arrange a schedule of speakers for the second Sunday of each month, beginning the second Sunday in October (October 12th), and continuing to the second Sunday in May, inclusive.

The Rector believes that the people of Christ Church will highly appreciate these Monthly Missionary Services, at which time an opportunity will be afforded to hear some of the best informed men, both clerical and lay, speak on the great work that the Church is doing throughout the world.

This series of monthly addresses will embrace a wide range of missionary in-

formation and the people of Christ Church who attend all the services in the series will have a very full, intelligent and comprehensive understanding of the progress of the Kingdom of Christ is making on earth.

The Rector urges all the people in the Parish to avail themselves of this rare opportunity, which will be presented to them on the second Sunday morning of each month.

The names of the speakers and their subjects to the first of the year will be as follows:

Second Sunday in October (12th), William C. Sturgis, Esq., Secretary Religious Education. Subject, "Japanese Reconstruction."

Second Sunday in November (9th), the Rev. Franklin J. Clark. Subject, "The Program of the Church."

Second Sunday in December (14th), the Rev. R. W. Patton. "What is the Church Doing Among the Negroes in the South?"

Second Sunday in January (11), Alfred Newberry, Esq. "What is the Church Doing in China?"

Remember the date: "INFORMATIVE MISSION SERVICE," SECOND SUNDAY MORNING EVERY MONTH!"

A SERVICE OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

I wish to call attention to the members of Christ Church and others living in this vicinity to the Service of Evening Prayer which is held in Christ Church on Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock.

At this service special intercessory prayer is made on behalf of persons in physical, mental or spiritual need.

Persons who wish special intercessions on their behalf or on behalf of friends are asked to notify the Rector. He may be seen in the Sacristy of the Church half hour before this service on Friday afternoons.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

The services on All Saints' Day—November 1st—will be Holy Communion, 7.30 and 11.00 A. M. At the latter service there will be an address by the Rector and the names of those who have entered into life eternal during the past

year will be read from the chancel and prayer will be said in behalf of the blessed dead. Flowers on the altar on that day will be "in memory," given by those who desire to send them. After the service they will be sent to the sick in the Parish.

The dead in Christ are not very far from us. By this is not meant any false spiritualism, any physical nearness or sound, or sight or touch. That would be only to restore what is most imperfect, and what death was meant to end.

The nearness is that of the deeper, hidden bands which bind the souls of them that love Him together, in the Lord Jesus Christ. The body is resting in the grave under the care of God's holy angels till the glory of the resurrection morning, but the soul is with Christ. He knows it, cares for it, watches it, loves it, has drawn it to Himself in a closer union, has poured fuller graces upon it, has washed it in His own blood. It is one with Him in a fuller, deeper sense than ever before. The soul, too, must be gaining in all spiritual powers; it must be growing in love, in humility, in charity, in every grace.

It is surely right to think that it remembers those it loved on earth; that it prays for them; that it is fuller of abounding grace, and worships the eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, as it never worshipped here. And, therefore, in proportion as one left behind grows nearer to Christ he must be growing nearer to his loved one.

Both in Christ, they must also be very near to one another in Him; He is their meeting place. The departed is on one side the veil, the living on the other—that is all. Just as when two who love one another here are parted, and hear that they can meet, they hurry as quickly as possible to the place appointed, even so will the mourner try to draw near to the one taken away, by prayer, by good works, by patience, by gentle cheerfulness, and, above all, to "the trysting place of the soul," the Holy Communion. Wheresoever Christ is, there the dead in Christ must be. Thus it is that there must be deep and inviolable bonds binding the holy living to

the holy dead in Him.

They are awaiting us in Paradise. The reason of man teaches, and Holy Scriptures confirm it, that we shall know one another in that blessed land. We must believe that the dearest ties we have on earth, the things that most lead us unto God, have their fruition in heaven—not in any earthly way, but divested of all that is weak and poor and frail in them, in a transfigured glory. All our heart, and thought and feeling will indeed center in Christ, but these blessed ties will be the steps to the throne on which He sits. In loving any member in His mystical body, we shall only love Him the more who is the Head of it. Thus father and son, mother and daughter, husband and wife, friend with friend, **one in Christ**, will still be one with each other. Somehow in this world, family ties, if they bind the members of the family closely together, serve also to separate the family in that degree, from the rest of the world. In the other life, there will be all the union and none of the separation. The one family of Christ, however much all earthly bonds may find in it then blessed fulfillment, will know no separation, and yet each earthly tie on which God has set the seal of His blessing, will have its distinct place in the eternal oneness.

Thus as the mourner here on earth seeks to draw near to God, each step will bring him closer to the soul at rest with God, until at last the veil shall be lifted, and, hand in hand, in the glad company of the Redeemed, they will see the vision of God's glory, and at the Resurrection wake up after God's likeness.

James De Koven.

Lord, where Thou are our Holy Dead must be,

Unpierced, as yet, the Sacramental mist;

But we are nearest them and nearest Thee

At solemn Eucharist.

O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee,

For those who made the earthly home so fair;

How little we may know, how little see,
Only—that thou art there.

Dear hands unclasped from ours are clasping Thee;

Thou holdest us for ever in Thy Heart;

So close the One Communion—are we In very truth, apart?

Lord, where Thou art our happy Dead must be;

And if with Thee, what then their boundless bliss!

Till faith be sight; and Hope, reality;
Love's Anchorage is this.

DO WE BELIEVE IN PRAYER?

Somebody asked us if we believe in prayer. They might ask if we believe in breathing. A Christian without prayer would be worse than a bird without wings. Prayer! Thank God for prayer, for the hundreds of promises which encourage prayer, the answers to prayers recorded in the Bible and for the experiences of the saints of God, which prove that God answers prayer. The first thing we remember in our life is prayer. In the earliest childhood prayer in child-like faith was enjoyed, and through the many years of a Christian life prayer has been the refuge and the delight. To cultivate a constant spirit and attitude of prayer ought to be the aim of every child of God. As we move about, work or rest, the heart may be in His presence.

And we believe in the prayer of intercession. Praying one for another and for all the Saints is a blessed privilege. It is one of the joys of our Christian life, to pray for our beloved ones by name and we are conscious that many of God's people mention us before the throne of Grace.

And may we pray for our beloved ones who are with Jesus in Paradise? Certainly! It is comforting to learn that at the last General Convention of our Church, provision was made, in the new revision of our Prayer Book, for prayers for the departed. We all, who have lost loved ones for whom we prayed

whilst they were with us on earth, cannot cease our prayers for them, now that they are no longer with us in the flesh. They are still close to us when we are in Communion with Jesus. Why should we not pray for them? Our hearts cannot help going out to them and for them in prayer. And they!—surely they, who loved us here, and prayed for us, love us still and are praying for us now, that they are in the fuller presence of Jesus.

How beautifully Tennyson puts into words this universal yearning of the human heart:

How can I cease to pray for thee? Somewhere

In God's great universe thou art today.
Can He not reach thee with His tender care?

Can He not hear me when for thee I pray?

What matters it to Him who holds within
The hollow of His hand all worlds, all space.

That thou art done with earthly pain
and sin?

Somewhere within His ken thou hast
a place.

Somewhere thou livest, and hast need
of Him;

Somewhere thy soul sees higher heights
to climb;

And somewhere still, there may be valleys dim

That thou must pass, to reach the hills
sublime.

Then all the more because thou canst not
hear

Poor human words of blessing, will I
pray—

O true, brave heart! God bless thee!
wheresoe'er

In His great universe thou art today!

OUR NEW ORGAN

The Organ Committee is glad to report to the members and friends of Christ Church that our efforts are being crowned with success and that we expect to have the new instrument in place and ready for use on March 1st, 1925.

In order that this may be done, it will be necessary to remove the present organ soon after Christmas, so that for

a short period we shall be without organ music.

Our old organ will end its career of usefulness by rendering once again the joyous music of Christmastide.

To accommodate the larger instrument, some changes have to be made in the chancel. A large opening has to be made in the wall which is now covered by ornamental pipes, and the console is to be placed on the opposite side of the chancel from the organ in order that the organist may be in closer touch with the choir.

While we may say that success has crowned our efforts, we have not fully met our financial responsibilities. There remains about two thousand dollars to be obtained from our members and friends in order to meet the necessary expenses. There are many in our congregation who have not yet subscribed and when it is remembered that subscriptions made now have eighteen months for payment, there should be no one connected with Christ Church who is not a subscriber to the fund.

Five dollars every three months for the remaining eighteen months, or six payments in all, from those who have not already subscribed, would furnish sufficient funds to meet all demands.

Is it not worth while to make some sacrifice for the sake of those who may worship in Christ Church during the years to come, just as our forbears sacrificed to place the present organ which has led our services and aided our devotions down to the present time?

It is confidently expected that we shall have one of the very best organs of its size in the City of Philadelphia. It is being made by the Hall Organ Company, of West Haven, Conn.

T. H. C.

THE JAPANESE RECONSTRUCTION FUND

Following a recent meeting at the "Church House," 19th and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, at which Dr. Wood, of the National Council of New York, spoke, and also Dr. Teusler, head of St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, plans were presented for carrying out the original ideas, relative to the "Japanese Reconstruction Fund." This "Fund," as

the readers of "The Chimes" probably know, was to have been raised last May, but owing to a "drive" for the Divinity School at that time, the "Japanese Reconstruction Fund" plans were deferred until this Autumn. The following copy of a leaflet, which is being distributed throughout the Diocese, is self-explanatory of the ways and means of raising this offering.

GOLD, SILVER AND JEWEL OFFERING

Proceeds for Rebuilding Girls' Schools and Kindergartens in Japan
"Imitation is sincerest flattery."

Our plan is not original. Last winter many may have seen how the women of the Lutheran Church provided for rebuilding their girls' schools in Japan which were destroyed by the earthquake or fire by collecting gold, silver and jewelry, securing about \$200,000 as a result of their efforts.

Our loss exceeds theirs. Therefore, the greater our opportunity. Have we faith and courage equal to our task? Help us to answer—"yes!"

To rebuild St. Margaret's School will require \$315,000; \$500 will provide what is known as a "unit" for one girl. Who will build one unit?

To rebuild eight kindergartens will cost \$20,000; \$2500 will be required for each kindergarten providing for fifty children.

To mould the children is to mould the nation. Don't you want to build a kindergarten?

The plan to be followed in this Diocese briefly is this:

Each Parish will be asked to have some one appointed to collect all gold, silver and jewelry. Sunday, October 12th, the offerings to be presented in each Parish and then sent to the Central Committee, when, after being valued, credit will be given each Parish.

Do you ask what you can give?

Spoons, forks, any pieces of silver or old plate, gold spectacles, broken pins, stickpins, pens, pencils, cuff buttons, necklaces, rings and broken bits as well as offerings which mean real sacrifice. Nothing is too small and no gift can be too great to show our love.

This is but one part of the plan in this Diocese for raising our share of the amount needed for Japan's Reconstruction Fund.

There is no one but has something to give and can share in this effort.

"We must share if we would keep God's great gifts from above. Ceasing to give we cease to have. Such is God's law of Love."

Dr. Teusler said:

"This is a crucial point in the history of the Church. The Church, one year ago, raised over \$500,000 for the Emergency Fund, just after the earthquake. What we did last year, was to put back on its feet the equipment of our Church. Now, it is absolutely necessary to put the frame work back. Japan is ready to become a Christian Nation, if we can continue to demonstrate to them, that our intentions to them are true and vital, that in the face of disaster from earthquake and international misunderstanding, we mean to fulfill our endeavors, to show them that it is Our Religion which counts."

Dr. Wood said:

"The Japanese Reconstruction Fund is the most vital thing that confronts the Church today."

To those who read this article, will you not think seriously of it and contribute accordingly to the extent of your ability?

A box will be placed in each vestibule of the Church; please kindly place your offering in either of them on October 5th or the 12th, after Morning or Evening Service.

L. M. R.

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

At a recent meeting of the "Mission Study Group" it was decided to change the day of the business meeting this year from the third Thursday, to the first Monday in each month, hence—on Monday, October 6, at 2 P. M., the first meeting of the Auxiliary will be held in the Parish House.

We all hope to have a full attendance at that time, as it is only necessary to lay plans for our Master's work. We are greatly in need of several new delegates for the different Committees,

and it is important also, to secure an Executive Secretary to take charge of the Missionary Sewing in our Parish, this winter—one with a knowledge of sewing, who can instruct others. We trust that someone will volunteer to help us, as this work for the extension of Christ's Kingdom must go on. The Auxiliary is desirous of doing a bigger work this year than ever before, and we greatly need the prayers, the co-operation and the loyal support of each and every woman in our Parish.

To date, we have in hand, \$114.00 toward our "Special Fund" of \$500.00. So that we shall need to raise by our own efforts, in various ways, \$386.00 by January 1st, 1925.

We are planning to give a "Rummage Sale" in November, so please remember to save us your "rummage" and send the same, if possible, to the Parish House by November 1st, or notify the writer and we will collect the same.

"The Mission Study Group" will meet in the private houses of its members twice a month, and we shall be glad to welcome any woman in the Parish to these meetings.

L. M. Robinson.

Telephone, Gtn. 7756.

MEN'S DINNER

There is a rumor afloat that a men's big dinner, with prominent speakers present, will be given in the Parish House at a near date. Definite plans have not yet been made, but there is prospects that there will be an announcement soon. Men of the parish—be prepared, when the news comes to be in attendance.—Look and listen!

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

September 21st was "Rally Sunday," when we started our regular sessions with 170 present, several more than last year. September 28th was "Consecration Day," when officers, teachers and older scholars attended the early service in the church. These had breakfast together in the Parish House, with a short business meeting afterward, at which time work for the coming year was discussed.

There have been several changes since

June. Miss Gertrude Feist, who for several years has been Superintendent of the Primary Department, resigned, owing to moving her residence to Glenside Christ Church, and the School owes Miss Feist a great debt for her able and faithful service, and everyone is very sorry to see her leave.

Miss Dorothy Gill, who has been the teacher of Class No. 1, of the Main School, will take charge of the Primary Department.

The following teachers also were unable to take up their work this year: Miss Crowder and Mr. Hallock, of the Main School, and Miss Elizabeth Wertsuer and Miss Drayton, of the Primary Department.

We are glad to welcome as new teachers Miss Laura Bell, Mrs. Aulenbach and Mr. Whitby.

In the next issue of "The Chimes" we hope to give our plans for the year's work.

Quite a number of our old scholars have not returned as yet, and we would ask the parents of such scholars to see that their children return next Sunday so they will get the benefit of the entire year's lessons.

R. H. M.

A NEW VERGER

Robert H. Todd has been appointed Verger of Christ Church. He is a much younger man than the former Vergers of this Church, but it is believed he is fully able to perform the exacting duties of Verger, as he has formerly had experience in that line. His father has served in similar service in West Philadelphia for many years.

A PARISH WORKER

We are glad to welcome to the Parish Miss Laura E. Bell, who has recently been engaged as parish worker. Miss Bell has had wide experience in Philadelphia as a social worker and she comes to the Parish well fitted for the duties which she is to perform.

She is the daughter of a highly respected retired clergyman of the Diocese, the Rev. Thomas Bell, who has also moved into the Parish and to whom the Rector and people of Christ Church ex-

tend a most cordial welcome.

We hope to have the Rev. Dr. Bell in the chancel of Christ Church, whenever he feels able to be present.

CHURCH SCHOOL

SERVICE LEAGUE

The highest aim in religious education is the developing in each individual of Christ's spirit, the spirit of universal love, expressing itself in service to others.

Realizing that every girl and boy in our Church Schools should have an opportunity to express in week-day activities the lessons taught on Sunday, the Church School Service League has been organized that through guidance and united effort in action, the greatest benefit may be obtained.

The Church School Service League is under the direction of the Commission on the Church School Service League of the Department of Religious Education of the Presiding Bishop and Council.

Each diocese has its own organization of the League, under the Diocesan Department of Religious Education, and every parish should have its own Church School Service League.

Christ Church is planning to have such an organization very soon.

With so large and interested a Church School to furnish members, we should soon have a flourishing League. Earnest, faithful group leaders will be needed.

Think the matter over and see if you can not arrange yourself to be a leader of a group of boys or girls, big or little.

Any persons willing to assist in this inspiring work please write or telephone Miss Bell, 6112 Baynton St. Telephone Gtn. 7303.

DIOCESAN BIBLE CLASS

Every Friday morning during the winter there will be a Diocesan Bible Class under the leadership of the Educational Secretary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Pilsbury.

The first meeting of the class will be held at the Church House, 202 South 19th street, November 6th, at 11 o'clock.

The subject, "Christ and His Church." This will be a helpful as well as a very interesting course, and it is hoped that

some of those in Christ Church Parish who have morning hours at their disposal may avail themselves of the opportunity and privilege of attending. Further particulars may be obtained from Miss Bell, 6112 Baynton St. Telephone Gtn. 7303.

MISSION STUDY CLASS

A Normal Mission Study Class will be conducted by Mrs. Pilsbury on Monday mornings at 10.30 at the Church House, 202 South 19th street, Philadelphia.

The course begins November 3rd and continues for 6 weeks.

The subject of Mission Study for the season is "China."

The object of this class is to prepare leaders who will later, during Advent or Lent, conduct Mission Study Classes in their own parishes.

Any one in Christ Church Parish desiring further information in regard to this class please communicate with Mrs. Percival Robinson, 148 East Washington Lane.

CHURCH NORMAL SCHOOL

Training for Church School Teachers

A ten weeks' course in Teachers Training will be given at the Church House, 202 South 19th street, Philadelphia, on Thursday evenings, beginning October 9th.

There will be four one-hour periods each evening at 5, 6:40, 7:40 and 8:40 o'clock.

Teachers may enroll for one or more periods.

The enrollment fee for the entire course is one dollar.

For those who desire it, supper will be served at 6 o'clock. Price 50 cents.

It is earnestly hoped that a number of the teachers in the Church School of Christ Church Parish will take this course, which will be most helpful to them in the difficult work to which they are so earnestly devoting themselves.

This course offers an opportunity to those who wish to give of their time to this most important work of the Church but who feel that they have not had sufficient preparation for it.

Full particulars as to the subjects included in the course and the hours at

which they are given may be had by communicating with Miss Bell, 6112 Baynton St. Telephone Gtn. 7303.

MOTHERS' MEETING

The opening of the Mothers' Meeting has been unavoidably delayed this fall.

The first meeting will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday afternoon, October 7th, at half past two.

It will be good news to the members to learn that the meeting will be in charge, during the coming winter, of Mrs. J. I. Morrison. She will be assisted by Mrs. U. G. Rowley, Mrs. James H. Eckersley, Mrs. Charles Tompson and Mrs. Alonzo Smith.

Program for the winter's work will be laid out at the first meeting. The "Mothers" meet every Tuesday afternoon and new members will be cordially welcomed.

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

Subscribers through the envelope system, who have been away during the summer, are very generally paying the amounts that they have omitted giving during their absence. It is very gratifying to the Warden to receive these arrears, as he depends upon them to meet his financial obligations.

It is hoped that all subscribers who may be in arrears will kindly make them up at their earliest convenience.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. has been planning great things for the coming season. On Tuesday evening, October 7th, there will be a "get-together" meeting for the girls and their mothers. A most tempting supper followed by a varied program that night, will mark the opening of the G. F. S.

Other plans are being formed for this winter which we will tell you about in the next issue of the "Chimes."

Do come and join our happy throng any Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock.

L. J. J.

PARISH REGISTER

Buried

"Looking for the general Resurrection

and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

August 4. Frank Ashley Chaffee.

September 11. Emma Grundy.

September 15. Philip Richards.

September 19. Ella A. Lightfoot.

September 22. Lillie B. Katz.

September 26. David Arthur Pritchard.

Baptized

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

September 14. Adele Booz.

September 14. Mildred Booz.

Married

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

August 30. William C. Stamm.

Mary A. P. Gill.

MEMORIAL ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Society has charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years, and any in the Parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this "Memorial List" are invited to consult with the Rector and he will be pleased to assign to them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their "Blessed Dead." After the Sunday service the flowers are sent to the sick in the Parish or to Hospitals.

On the "days of remembrance" it will be comforting to come to God's House and in His presence recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile"; to kneel before the altar and to feel their nearness and unite with them and all God's saints in one common worship—"knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord."

Persons who wish to have a Sunday for "memorial flowers" may apply to any member of the Altar Guild or to the Rector. Cards, bearing the names of those in whose memory the flowers are given, should always accompany the flowers.

BOY SCOUTS

Presidential campaigns come and go but like the Constitution the Boy Scouts are continuously on the job, rain or shine.

The best thing you can say about our troop, which meets Monday nights in Christ Church Parish House, is this: each Monday night finds us a better troop than we were the week before. Our uniforms look better; our Scoutmaster's Staff has learned something new of real value. We are better numerically. Our discipline is better. And we think we have more friends.

Some Monday night on your way to the bridge, or the theatre, or the indignation meeting, or the poker game, or some other function where they just gab and gab and hand out a dish of ice cream—some Monday on the way, stop in for a minute and see a red-blooded Scout Troop in action. You will then know why the composite opinion of Scoutmasters is that the coming generation of boys is an improvement on the fathers of the same.

Of course, we are aware that the past generation of boys is the generation of men that provides us a place to meet, heat, light, etc. They are rendering their service thereby. And we are grateful. We used to say we wished more boys could enjoy the privileges, but we can't say that today, for the troop is now so large we can scarcely take care of it. Men call us on the phone begging us to accept their sons as new members. Old members that drop out come back.

There seems to be some charm about Troop 153 that appeals to boys. Perhaps it is because the Troop is an organization and not a one-man Troop. Everybody takes part. Temporarily one of the Scoutmasters leaves. He started with us as a twelve-year-old. He is now at college in New England. The boys gave him a send-off with a beautiful silver cup, to show their appreciation of his good work. In four years he will be back. In the meantime the organization goes right on functioning. We have been training our boys to fall into vacancies as they occur.

You must live for several years with a Scout Troop if you would know why

it succeeds. It is the indirect result of good influences that tells in the lives of those who associate with Troop 153. Even the men seem to improve from their contact with a gang of boys that means business.

G. I. B.

A PRAYER

Let me be a little kinder;
Let me be a little blinder
To the faults of those about me;
Let me praise a little more.
Let me be when I am weary,
Just a little bit more cheery.
Let me serve a little better
Those that I am striving for.
Let me be a little braver
When temptation bid me waver.
Let me strive a little harder
To be all that I should be.
Let me be a little meeker
With a brother who is weaker.
Let me think more of my neighbor,
And a little less of me.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE CHIMES

All subscriptions to the Christ Church Chimes have expired. Subscriptions and contributions toward the expense of the Chimes are solicited from all attendants at Christ Church.

Subscription price, fifty cents. Contribution of larger amount will be appreciated.

INVESTMENTS

As you travel in the train or car it is interesting to find how many men are reading the stock market quotations. They are interested in their investments. It is perfectly natural that they should be. People are made that way. If you contribute regularly to the work of the Church, you will naturally be interested in your investment; you will be glad to see the work prosper, grow, increase. You will rightly feel that you have a share in it. We are glad to recommend it as the best paying investment that we know of. It pays good dividends always. I have yet to see anyone who regretted making an investment in the work of the Church. If you are not already pledging, we hope you will see the wisdom of making this profitable investment this year.

RECTORY PAINTED

During the summer the Vestry has had the exterior of the rectory painted and the woodwork put in repair. The next need is the repainting of the interior.

OFFERINGS OR COLLECTIONS

There is a difference, you know. The difference does not lie in the amount given. It doesn't lie even in the number of givers. It does lie in the spirit in which the gift is made.

When the hat is passed and one feels ashamed not to put something in. That is a collection. Unfortunately, many people put something in the almsbasin for the same reason, because they are ashamed to have it pass by.

But an offering is entirely different. An offering springs from the desire to give; it is something done graciously, gladly. The "widow's mite" was an offering.

Honestly, don't you feel that you want to give God something for all He has given you? Catch the spirit of the offering, and you will never be content with a mere collection.

Selected.

AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR MISSION FROM CHRIST CHURCH

The Rector is in receipt of the following letter, which will be of interest to the members of Christ Church who contribute to support of Missions. If every member were to contribute as should be the case, the amount realized would be much larger.

July 25th, 1924.

"Dr. Charles H. Arndt,

"59 W. Tulpehocken St.,

"Germantown, Phila., Pa.

"Rev. and Dear Sir:

"We have made a comparison of the contributions received from your Parish applying to the Maintenance Budget for General Missions and the Diocese for the first six months of the previous year. The books at the Church House show that your Church has contributed \$2,143.77 the past six months of this year, as contrasted to \$2,281.40 for the same period last year, applying to Maintenance.

ance. As there were certain items credited to the Parish in the Maintenance Budget last year which do not apply to Maintenance this year, this represents a substantial increase.

"The Committee takes this occasion to express appreciation for these good results in your Parish and to emphasize the necessity of having your Parish meet the expectation of \$4,000.00 applying to the Maintenance Budget before December 31st of this year. The Episcopal Hospital offering will apply to this. In this connection, your attention is called to the resolution of the Convention last May: 'The Convention calls upon every Parish and Mission to do its utmost to exceed the indicated expectations for its extra parochial givings to apply on the Maintenance of the Diocesan and General Church Budget for 1924.'

"With sincere appreciation, I am

"Yours very truly,

"PERCY R. STOCKMAN.

"For the Quota Committee."

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class meets in the Parish House every Sunday morning at a quarter to ten o'clock. Colonel Sheldon Potter, the teacher of the class, has mapped out a course of lessons which will be intensely interesting to all men.

A cordial invitation is extended to every man in this vicinity to join this Class.

Come, men! Now's the time. Join the Class and you'll get something really worth while!

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CHRIST CHURCH Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.

CLERGY:

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The services on Christmas Day will be Celebration of the Holy Communion, 6.30, 7.30 a. m., and Morning Prayer (shortened), Holy Communion, sermon, 11.00 a. m.

The offering will be for the Clergy Pension Quota (formerly called the "Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund").

The music on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Processional 76, "Christian, awake, salute the happy morn."

Venite—Walter.

Glorias—Walter.

Te Deum Laudamus—In F.—Smart.
Kyrie—Hall.

Gloria Tibi—Scott—Hunter.

Hymn 72, "O Come, all ye faithful."

Anthem—"Sing O Heavens"—Tours.

Sursum Corda—Scott—Hunter.

Sanctus—Scott—Hunter.

Benedictus Qui Venit—Scott—Hunter.

Agnus Dei—Scott—Hunter.

Gloria in Excelsis—Old Chant.

Recessional 73, "Hark! the herald angels sing."

The Church School Christmas Carol Service will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon (Sunday after Christmas), December 28th, at three-thirty o'clock.

The Evening Service will be omitted on this Sunday.

CHRISTMAS

In our observance of Christmas we should not lose sight of the religious character of the day. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctively a religious festival. The Day should,

therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless as these may be in themselves, but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. It should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christian joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families with father, mother and children worshipping together in the House of God, "of sending portions to those for whom nothing is prepared"; of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of these. In other words, the religious observance of the Day must come first and be paramount in importance, or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger today that we, too, will deny Him room; that our hearts and minds, and the hearts and minds of the children will be crowded full of the pleasures and occupations of the world and there will be found no room for Christ? Let each one, therefore, bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day and come to God's House and kneel before Him, and worship Him, Emmanuel, God with us.

A LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

FAMILY SUNDAY

Christ Church Rectory

My dear Friends:

There is a matter of great importance which has weighed heavily on my heart for a long time, and I feel sure it must

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weigh heavily on the hearts of many Rectors.

Not so many years ago Church-going by the whole family was an established habit. The family pew was an institution, just as much as the family table.

To many of us older men and women, one of the most hallowed memories of our childhood days, is that of father and mother and the children of the household attending Divine service together and all sitting together in the family pew on the "Lord's Day." Often, two and three generations could be seen seated together in God's house, for His worship and praise.

The family, as a unit, attended the Services of the Church. No other engagements were made. Nothing was allowed to interfere. Inclement weather, even, did not cause the family pew to remain vacant, nor did trifling illness.

This beautiful custom is one of the old things that deserves to survive. The change in living conditions does not provide a valid alibi.

A wise suggestion has been made by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to aid in the restoration of this beautiful and helpful custom. It is to have a Family Sunday, when every family in the parish shall attend Divine Service, as a unit, coming together and sitting together in the Church. This appeals to me very strongly and I feel certain that it will also meet with the hearty endorsement of every parent in our parish. We all realize the seriousness of the present-day influences which are tending to disintegrate the family life and family worship. It is, therefore, the duty of every conscientious parent and of every seriously-minded boy and girl to exert every effort and to employ every means to guard the "home" from the insidious influences which today are fast tending toward its destruction and ruin.

Something must be done, and it must be done at once. I am asking, therefore, every parent and every boy and girl in the parish to co-operate with me in making a beginning. I want to make Sunday, December 21st, a Family Sunday in this parish.

I urge that Every Family in the Parish be present, as a Unit, at the eleven o'clock service on Sunday morn-

ing, December 21st. This will be the Fourth Sunday in Advent, the Sunday next before Christmas Day.

It will be an opportune time, a time when the scattered members of the household will be turning their ways homeward, to be together on Christmas Day in the "family home."

Let us make it, also, an occasion when all members of the family will meet together in their "Church home"—father, mother and children, two generations and perhaps, three generations, coming together, sitting together, and kneeling together in united praise and prayer and worship.

Will it not be an inspiring sight? Will not such a scene bring back to the older members blessed memories of days long gone by, when they, too, worshiped side by side with loving parents in the "family pew?" Will it not help to impress our children, in this restless, ruthless age, when so many influences are striving to break up the family unity,—will not such a scene and such an experience, now so rare and uncommon, help to impress our children with the sanctity of the "family life" and the beauty and holiness of the "sweet hour of prayer?"

And should there be some member of the family "absent" from the family pew on that "Family Sunday," will not our thoughts and prayers go out to them and be with them and they will be with us, as we kneel and pray, "Our Father."

On that "Family Sunday," as parents and children kneel together before God's altar in united prayer and praise and worship, surely, the limitations of time and space will fade away, and we will look up to and through and beyond the gates of Paradise into that higher and fuller life above and feel the holy influence of those "absent ones" flowing back into our lives, and "see those angel faces smile, which we have loved long since, and lost awhile."

One family we dwell in Him,

One Church above, beneath;

Though now divided by the stream,

The narrow stream of death."

It will be the power of this truth that will lay hold upon the hearts of old and young alike, as they, united in one family, meet together in God's house on "Family Sunday" and join in common

prayer and praise and worship to Him Who is the Father of the living and the dead.

I affectionately urge every member of every family in the parish to be present on "Family Sunday" morning, December 21. Faithfully yours,

CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

CHRISTMAS COMMUNION

On Christmas Day every Churchman will want to come to the House of God and there, as did the wise men of old, kneel before the Saviour in love and adoration. Christmas without Christ!—no Christian man or woman will cherish the thought! The very word "Christmas" means with Christ. Christmas is not a worldly holiday but a Christian festival. It is the feast when the Christ—Mass, the mass of the Incarnate Word, is kept with joy. Surely on that day we will not forget Him! The wise men brought gold and frankincense and myrrh to Bethlehem—offering of their earthly substance, offerings of lowly penitence and love for Him in His humiliation for our sakes. On this happy Christmas Day there will be gifts for our loved ones; offerings for our spiritual mother, the Church; and offerings also of "ourselves our souls and bodies" in the Holy Communion for the building up of ourselves more and more into the spiritual likeness of Him Who came to us on Christmas Day to be our Saviour and our King.

INFORMATIVE MISSIONARY SERVICE, DECEMBER 14th

The third in the series of "Informative Missionary Services," which are being held in Christ Church on the second Sunday morning of each month during the winter and spring, will be held on Sunday morning, December 14th. The special speaker will be the Rev. Charles Newton Lathrop, of New York City, Executive Secretary of the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council and late Dean of All Saints Cathedral, Milwaukee.

Dean Lathrop is one of the best authorities on Social Questions and Conditions of today and is an eloquent and

forceful speaker.

No one should fail to hear him, Sunday morning, December 14th.

In this connection, the Rector wishes to repeat here what he has already announced as to the purpose of these special "Informative Missionary Services," which have been arranged to be held on the second Sunday morning of each month, during the coming winter.

The object which the Rector had in mind, when he arranged this unusually interesting series of services and engaged the able speakers to address us, was to give the members and attendants of Christ Church first-hand information on the subject of the Church's work in the various parts of the missionary field, by speakers who are best acquainted with the conditions and needs.

The Rector is convinced that the people of Christ Church will highly appreciate and value this rare opportunity which is afforded them on the second Sunday in each month, to hear men, both clerical and lay, speak on the great work that the Church is doing throughout the world.

The series of monthly addresses will embrace a wide range of missionary information, and the people who attend all the services in the series will have a full, intelligent and comprehensive understanding of the program of the Kingdom of Christ in making on Earth.

The Rector is convinced that the people ought to avail themselves of this rare opportunity which is presented to them on the second Sunday of each month.

The following is the list of speakers for January, February and March:

Second Sunday in January (11th)—Alfred Newberry, Esq., of New York. Subject, "Christian Missions in China."

Second Sunday in February (8th)—The Rev. A. B. Parson, Assistant Foreign Secretary of the Department of Missions. Subject, "Missions in the Philippines."

Second Sunday in March (8th)—Mr. Edward Sargent, Secretary of Religious Department of Religious Education. Subject, "Religious Education."

VESTRY MEETING

A stated meeting of the Vestry will be held on Tuesday evening, January 6. Every member will be expected to be present.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GREENS

Persons who wish to contribute to the expense of purchasing holly and laurel for the decoration of the Church for the Christmas season are requested to give or send their contributions to Richard H. Morris.

The work of decorating is done by the young men of the Parish, as a labor of love.

CHURCH OPEN ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

The Church will be open all evening until after midnight on New Year's Eve, for private prayer and devotions. There will be no service in the Church on that evening.

At midnight, however, the Rector will be in the Church, and will say the Litany, together with special prayers and intercessions appropriate for the passing of the old and the coming in of the New Year.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR 1925

Church Calendars for 1925, marked with the colors of the Church seasons and Scriptural lessons for the Sundays throughout the year, are in the hands of the Verger, and may be purchased from him at forty cents each. These Calendars are suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts.

THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE PARISH ENDS DECEMBER 31

The fiscal year of the Parish ends the last day of the year. There are a few members of the Parish who are in arrears in their envelope subscriptions for the past year. Will they not, please, put the total amount of their arrears in an envelope, and place it in the alms basin before January 1st, in order that the

Accounting Warden may balance his accounts. Packages of new envelopes for the year 1925 will be ready for distribution the last week of December.

Since the abolition of pew rents and the adoption of the system of free and unassigned pews in Christ Church, it is incumbent upon every member and attendant at the services of this Church to become a regular contributor to the support and work of the Church, through this envelope system. Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule or may be had from the Verger.

These cards should be made out and signed, and placed in the alms basin at any service, or sent to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Edward Bains, Stenton Avenue above Wyoming, Germantown.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The attendance this Fall has been about the same as last year, an average of between 170 and 180 at each session. Some classes have been very good as to their record of attendance. The "Star" classes (every member present) have been Mrs. Aulenbach's and Mr. Clausen's, each seven times; Mrs. Schaefer's and Mr. Whitby's, six times; Mrs. Hallock's and Miss Dedier's, four times; Mrs. Clausen's, three times.

The Primary Department

Miss Gertrude Feist, who has had charge for several years, resigned, owing to her removal from Germantown, and we shall miss her faithful attendance and work very much.

Miss Dorothy Gill has taken Miss Feist's place, and with the help of her teachers will carry on the work.

Advent Work

We have already sent a Christmas box to some children belonging to the Sunday School, who are down in the State of Texas. Our main work, however, for Advent is to take care, during the winter, of two or three families in our neighborhood who are in great need because of illness or other reasons. Each of these families have children. We also intend giving each family a Christmas basket, so that the children will have, we hope, the same kind of a Christmas that we have. Each scholar has

been given an envelope with the hope that every day something will be placed therein, and these are to be returned to the school on the Sunday before Christmas.

Christmas

Our carol service will be held in the Church on the Sunday after Christmas, December 28th, at 3:30 P. M. It will be a short, interesting service, and it is hoped that all the parents will be present.

Christmas Entertainments

The Primary Department will meet in the Parish House on Monday after Christmas, December 29th, at 3:30 P. M.

The Main School will meet on Monday evening, December 29th, at 7:30 P. M. Each class in the school is to take some part in the entertainment, and no class is going to know what the other proposes to do. Therefore many surprises will be in store for us.

The officers, teachers and scholars of our school wish a very Merry Christmas to the parents and friends.

R. H. M.

SPEAKER ON NEAR EAST

On Sunday morning, January 25th, the attendants at Christ Church will have an opportunity of learning about the condition and needs of its people of the "Near East," by one who is especially qualified to speak on that subject. The address will be given by the well-known Philadelphian and Churchman, Charles E. Beury, Esq. Mr. Beury has made three trips to the Near East, the most recent one during the past summer, visiting all important relief stations of that unfortunate region. He will give an account of the conditions there, which he has learned from first-hand knowledge and experience.

OUR ORGAN

In a few weeks the work of dismantling our old organ will take place and that preparatory to the installation of the new instrument will begin. The passing of the old organ is like parting with an old friend. So frequently have we, as well as former generations heard its tones that we are accustomed to them, and though in these later years they have

become so enfeebled that we felt its days were numbered, we part with it regretfully. We hope to have a few of its finer pipes built into the new organ and thus in a measure preserve its continuity.

In the interval between its demolition and the use of our new organ, the small house organ will be used and our service will be less ornate, but we hope no less hearty on that account.

We expect to have the new organ ready for use on Easter Day. Meanwhile, we would appeal for the last two thousand dollars necessary to complete our payments. Shall we not have this as Christmas gifts to Christ Church—gifts that will be lasting in character, as they will furnish the great organ that will lead sacred song for many years to come?

As an integral part of God's House, the organ must be consecrated, but this can not be done until it is paid for.

This is an additional reason for urging the necessity of these final contributions.

There are many who have not yet subscribed and some may feel like making additions to the amounts already pledged.

Twelve months remain in which subscriptions may be paid, so that any amount pledged may be divided into easy payments.

Please send pledges to the Rector or to Mr. Edward Baius, Stenton Avenue above Wyoming, Germantown.

T. H. C.

It is expected to remove the old organ from the Church the early part of January in order to allow the necessary alterations to be made in the chancel before the installation of the new organ. To secure better sound effect, an opening will be cut in the wall of the organ chamber facing the congregation. The new organ, which is being built by the Hall Organ Company, of West Haven, Conn., is nearing its completion, but cannot be installed until the alterations in the Church are finished.

During the time of alterations and installation of the new organ the choir, unvested, will be seated in the nave of the Church and the small organ will be

used. A precentor will lead in the music and the canticles will be sung in unison to simple settings, so that all the Congregation may join in the singing.

It is requested that every one should take part in the service.

It is expected that there will be unusually hearty congregational singing.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

As a result of the Christmas sale we are contributing the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to the fund for the new organ.

All articles not sold at the fair will be placed on sale at an early date, at greatly reduced prices. Those who could not come to the sale will still have a chance to buy some of the very attractive things displayed at that time.

A. M. M.

AN OPPORTUNITY

The ten weeks' course in Teacher Training, which is nearing its close at the Church House, 19th and Walnut Sts., has proved so helpful and such large numbers have expressed the wish for further instruction that the Educational Department of the Diocese has decided to continue the work of the Teacher Training Course.

A second semester will begin on Thursday, January 8th, and continue for ten weeks, on Thursdays. The hours will probably be the same as at present, i. e.:

1st period, 5 to 6 o'clock.

Supper (fifty cents), 6 to 6:40.

2nd period, 6:40 to 7:40.

3rd period, 7:40 to 8:40.

Lecture, 8:40 to 9:40.

There will be several classes in session during each period, and a large variety of subjects will be offered, among these: "The Prayer Book," "Old Testament," "New Testament," "Training the Devotional Life of the Child," "Church Doctrine," and in addition to these, "The Psychology of the Child," and "Materials and Methods for the Primary Grades and Grammar Grades."

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by a person especially fitted to deal with the subject, and able to make it not only helpful but intensely interesting to the members of the Class.

These Classes are open not only to Sunday School teachers and those preparing to teach, but to parents as well.

It is hoped that a large number of the Church School teachers of Christ Church Parish will arrange to take one or more of the courses offered.

Further information may be obtained from Miss Bell, 6112 Baynton St. Telephone Ger. 7303.

L. E. B.

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"THE CHIMES"

With this issue begins the twenty-fifth "number" of the Chimes, which means that the "Christ Church Chimes" has been issued consecutively for twenty-five years, without omission of a single number. Although the cost of publication is, at present, over three times what it was at the beginning, the price of subscription has remained the same,

50 cents a year. This, of course, has been at a financial loss, which has been made up each year by special contributions.

The Chimes is a welcome visitor to the homes of the parish and is appreciated, especially by the "shut-ins" and others who, through necessity, are not able to attend, regularly, the services of the Church.

Will not every member of the parish co-operate in the expense of publication and send their subscription or contribution at once to Frederick Lennig, 316 High Street, Germantown, or to the Rector? Thank you!

THE CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE LEAGUE

The Church School Service League has been busily at work this Fall.

The members of the Church School Service League (the C. S. S. L. being the School in action) gave \$70.00 for the rebuilding of the Churches, schools hospitals and other buildings of the Church of Japan, destroyed by the earthquake of September, 1923.

They also gave \$17.35 to be used for the preparation of Christmas boxes to be sent to two Missions in the South. With this money and the splendid help of the Girls' Friendly Society (both senior and junior branches) and the members of the C. S. S. L. in the making of gifts, and some additional gifts given by the Girls' Friendly Society, and members of the C. S. S. L., two very nice boxes were prepared.

A box containing 25 gifts (a useful and a "joyful" gift for each of 12 girls and a gift for their teacher) was sent to St. Phillips' Industrial School, San Antonio, Texas.

Another box containing 78 gifts, for 38 boys and girls and two teachers, was sent to Epiphany Mission, Summerville, South Carolina.

These boxes were valued at \$9.00 and \$18.00 respectively.

The Sunday after Thanksgiving the pupils of the Church School brought gifts of canned goods to be used at the discretion of the Rector for the relief of cases of need in the Parish.

The special Advent Offering of the School will be used for the preparation of Christmas baskets for families whom the Rector knows would otherwise have a Christmas lacking in "Good Cheer."

The C. S. S. L. and Girls' Friendly meets each Friday afternoon at 3:45 in the Parish House.

Thirty girls are enrolled in these groups, and we shall be glad to welcome others who may wish to come.

L. E. B.

CONFIRMATION CLASS FORMING

The Bishop of the Diocese will visit this Parish during Lent to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector invites all persons who are contemplating Confirmation, to give their names to him as soon as possible. He will be glad to confer with them on the subject, after Church service or by appointment.

A BOYS' CLUB FORMED

At a meeting held December 4, 1924, a Boys' Club was arranged for boys aged 15 to 19. The following officers were elected: President, Mr. Keuben Streeper; Secretary, Mr. William Blank. We are going to start a basketball team; so come around next Thursday evening and join us.

William Blank,
Secretary.

WATCH THIS GROW!

A meeting was held Thursday, December 4th, in the Parish House, for the purpose of forming a Men's Club. There were not many men present, but judging from the interest shown, the Club should soon be a live organization, and fill a long-felt need. The purpose of the Club is to promote fellowship among the men and older boys of the Parish; to increase the attendance at the Men's Bible Class, and to interest them in the work of the Church. The business meeting will be held on the first Thursday of each month, and social meeting on the other Thursday evenings. We plan to purchase, if possible, a shuffle board, repair the pool table, form a bowling

team, and a basketball team for the boys. The officers of the Club are Lewis J. Aulenbach, President; John Boynton, Vice President, and A. R. Melville, Secretary and Treasurer.

We want all the men of the Church as members, either active or associate.

The dues are \$1.00 per year for active and \$2.00 per year for associate members.

Every man in the Parish make a point to be present at the next meeting, January 8th, 1925, when the plans for the coming year will be announced.

A. R. Melville,
Secretary.

THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The chapter of the Daughters of the King is planning this year to have their work consist largely of visiting the sick and new-comers in the Parish. Distribution of the flowers from the altar will be attended to by one of the members, and Christmas boxes will be sent to members of the Parish who are in hospitals and sanatoriums.

The national organization of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and The Daughters of the King have united in issuing a "Manual of Prayer." This is a very helpful publication for either family or private devotions. The sale of these in this Parish is in the hands of our Chapter, and may be procured at the rectory or from the members of the Chapter. The price is twenty-five cents.

With the consent of the Rector, the "Churchman's Kalendar of Daily Bible Readings" has been sent to each family in the Parish. The arrangement of these readings is made under the auspices of the National Council. Used in conjunction with the "Manual of Prayer" they provide a systematic and helpful plan for reading and prayer. We take pleasure in commending them to the use of the members of the Parish.

BAPTISMS

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Oct. 12 Bernice Mae Moan.

" " Alice Elizabeth Osborn.

Oct. 19 Douglas Hamilton Warner.

Nov. 9 Dorothy Whiston Grundy.
" " Thompson Hunter Lukens, Jr.
" " William Frederick Cox.
" " Dewitt Clinton Cox.

Marriages

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

Oct. 18 Benjamin Hilderman Murray,
Emmeline Crossley.

Burials

"Looking for the general resurrection, and the life of the world to come through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Oct. 16 Thomas H. Peto, Jr.

Nov. 12 Tabitha W. Katz.

Dec 11 Anna Matilda Ellis.

" 13 Rachel Bennett.

THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. of Christ Church, Germantown, will have one of the happiest Christmas days when it completes all its plans for making merry the day for others. The bright, attractive room in the Parish House was filled with brighter faces and busy fingers were making pretty boxes to be filled with candy and fruit and carried during Christmas week to some settlement house, where we will make merry with the little ones gathered there. Stockings are to be filled for the children at the Philadelphia Hospital. The G. F. S. of the Diocese makes itself responsible for the Christmas in the children's ward, each Parish doing its part. We have a wonderful gift from one of our admiring friends to help along with our Christmas basket (this year we can say baskets). This will keep us busy until after Christmas, then we are to carry out some plans to raise our quota toward the building of a National Centre in Washington, commemorating the 50th year of the G. F. S. in America.

We are looking forward to a prosperous New Year, and prosperity with us means numbers, interest and loyalty; so, girls of the Parish or your friends, if you do not know what G. F. S. means, come to the Parish House some Tuesday night and you will be enlightened.

In closing, may we say that the G. F. S. will be glad to take orders for FUDGE—and it will be good FUDGE—

at 50 cents a pound—note the price. The PURPOSE is to help complete our quota for the NATIONAL CENTRE in 1926.

L. J. J.

ALTAR GUILD

At the meeting of the Altar Guild, held in October, Miss Emma A. Crowder was elected Treasurer, to take the place of Mrs. Herbert Pullinger, who was formerly Frances Cooley.

Arrangements for the Christmas decorations will be made at the December meeting.

The committees on duty for the coming month are as follows:

Dec. 12th-19th: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

Dec. 19th-26th: Misses Dean, Crower, McHenry.

Dec. 26th-Jan. 2nd: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Gerhard, Higginbotham, Stryke, E. Thompson, M. Thompson.

Jan. 2nd-9th: Misses Chase, Wertsner, Smith.

G. D.

LETTERS OF TRANSFER

New-comers, who have moved into the Parish, are requested to procure from their former Rector their letters of transfer to Christ Church and to present them to the Rector as soon as possible. Note the following canon of the Church: "A communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing."

Title II: Canon 12.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

We might say "Mothers and daughters meeting," as so many daughters come to the meetings. Added to this unusual feature, we have with us frequently Mrs. Neagle's grandson and Mrs. Cook's great-grandson. It is not every Parish organization that can attract the

second and third generation; but just think of having the fourth at our meetings.

Beside our old members, we are glad to welcome as new ones, Mrs. Adkin and daughter, also Mrs. Baynton.

We are expecting great things from our Christmas Bazaar, and are quite confident that a fine sum will be added to the organ fund as the result of our efforts.

Such interest, enthusiasm and hard work will surely make it a great success.

A. M. M.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers that are placed on the altar from Sunday to Sunday are in memory of some dear one who has been called to Paradise. The Sunday nearest to the day of birth, or the day of death, is generally selected. Persons in the congregation who wish to place flowers on the altar in memory of a departed friend may apply to the Rector and he will be pleased to arrange with them for a definite "Memorial Sunday."

After the service the flowers are taken to the sick.

"And he gathers the prayers as he stands
And they turn into flowers in his hands,
Into garlands of purple and red,
And beneath the great arch of the portal,
'Midst the streets of the City Immortal,
Is wafted the fragrance they shed."

Longfellow's "Sandalphon."

WE BELONG TO A CHURCH, NOT A PARISH

We are accustomed to hear the word "Church" applied to a local congregation. We use it loosely ourselves in the same way. But with us, speaking accurately, the Church is our entire communion. The local organization is simply a Parish, an outpost, a garrison. A garrison in an outpost does not think of itself as the army. A ship is not the navy. A local postoffice is not the postoffice department. The visit of the Bishop reminds us that we belong to a part of the army, not simply a garrison; that we are enlisted in the navy, not in a ship. The Bishop is the outward and visible sign that we belong

to a great, historic, age-long, world-wide institution, which has outposts everywhere, and that we have all its resources back of us and its power within us. Confirmation is not administered by the Rector of the Parish, who represents only the local congregation. It is administered by the Bishop, who represents the entire Church. We are admitted, therefore, into the communion not of the local congregation or Parish. The Bishop's act accomplishes something far wider than that. We are taken into the communion and fellowship of the entire Church throughout the world, including every Parish, mission, outpost or garrison under the Church's jurisdiction. That is why we are Churchmen, not congregationalists. That is why it is that our imagination is stirred and our enthusiasm is kindled by the world-wide institution more than by the local organization. For while we are registered in and attached to a given Parish, our citizenship is in the all-including Church.

SOME CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING OUR GIVING TO THE CHURCH

The following is set forth by the National Council:

"We are called upon to give to many objects in the course of the year. Sometimes the many appeals mislead us into thinking that we are giving much more than we really are. It would be worth while to add up all our gifts and compare the total with various items of our expenditure.

The wise man makes a budget. This makes it easier to devote a definite portion of his income to Church and charity.

Selecting Objects

When selecting the objects to which this definite portion of our income will be given we should make sure, as loyal Churchmen, that the Church will receive an adequate share. It is very easy unconsciously to discriminate against the Church. Perhaps we do not realize how extensive and multifarious is the work which the Church is trying to do in our name. It is not one hospital to which we are asked to give through the Church but to scores, not one school but hundreds, not one worker but thousands.

We are not likely to overlook the parish, in the support of which we are glad to do our full share. But the Church is much more than the parish. There is the diocese and there is the national Church. We are members of both and are responsible for the work of both. This work is just as dependent upon our support as the parish is.

Investigation

Have we fully informed ourselves as to the nature and value of the work done in the diocese or of the work at home and abroad done in the name of the whole Church? If we do not have time to investigate for ourselves, would it not be reasonable to trust the judgment of those we have chosen as leaders of the Church?

Quotas are Minimums

Each parish has a quota fixed by the diocese. This quota includes both diocesan and general work. What effect does this quota have on our giving? Do we look upon it as a maximum or a minimum? Do we realize that the parish is asked to give at least the amount of the quota? How shall the diocese and general Church secure sufficient support for their budgets if these quotas are not regarded as minimums?

Quotas and Large Givers

Perhaps we are able to give to the Church a larger sum than the amount we believe to be our wise and fair share of the parish quota. A conscientious man is willing to give according to his means. He will not let the quota prevent him from doing his best.

In determining the total amount he will give to the Church he will ask not only, "What is my share of my parish quota?" but also, "What is my share of the amount needed by the diocese?" and "What is my share of the \$4,400,000 needed for the budget of the whole Church and of the \$3,600,000 needed for advance work?" Having fixed the largest amount he can justifiably give through his parish, he will give additional sums directly to the diocese and the general Church.

NOTES ON THE CHURCH SEASONS

Three Holy Days after Christmas

Three days following Christmas are

dedicated to three sacred events: First, on December 26th, is commemorated The Martyrdom of St. Stephen. This day has been commemorated since the fourth century. In the Greek Church the Festival is a day later than it is in ours. In addition to the reasons given above for its position in the Calendar, it has been said that "Christ was born on earth in order that Stephen might be born in heaven." Thus this, the anniversary of his martyrdom, is also, in a higher sense, the anniversary of his birth.

On December 27th occurs The Feast of St. John the Evangelist. Then we remember the fisherman John, the son of Zebedee and Salome, the brother of James, the partner in the earthly business of Simon and Andrew; and we see what grace made him.

On December 28th is celebrated the Martyrdom of the Innocents, which was anciently commemorated at the Epiphany; the date of its first observance as a separate festival is not known. The Innocents have always been regarded by the Church as martyrs, they having, though unwittingly, shed their blood for Christ. See St. Matt. 2:16-17).

"Epiphany" follows immediately after the Christmas and is, indeed, an extension of the Christmas Season and continues up to Septuagesima Sunday. The festival of Epiphany, must be deemed of very high importance by the believing and thoughtful Christian. It does not merely commemorate one of the most beautiful incidents of our Lord's infant life—the visit of the three wise men to worship the "new born King"—it also asserts one of the most fundamental and vital features in Christianity; the great distinctive feature between Christianity and Judaism. Was His interest and love to us confined to one people alone? Was the love of God come to reveal the Father's love to save one set of people only, or has He come to manifest His love to save all people, everywhere?

The events set forth in the festival of the Epiphany, and the missionary teaching of this Epiphany Season are suffi-

cient to answer that question. The Church's mission is to all the world and to every people, to every clime. The Epiphany season is the great missionary season of the Church. Every season, of course, should be a "missionary season," but at the Epiphany, special emphasis is laid on this teaching; indeed, that is what the word "Epiphany" means—"manifestation," "shining out."

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

held on Sunday afternoon, December 7th, was most successful, both in the spirit in which the visits were made and received, and in the response to the needs of the Mission and of the Parish. Over four hundred people in the Parish were visited. It is regretted that some members of the Parish were omitted, but it was found impossible to visit all in the few hours allotted. It is estimated that there will be a considerable increase over last year, both in the number of contributions through the envelope system and also in the amount of subscriptions. The objective is to have 100 per cent. of the membership of the Parish contributing members—every member of every family.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation of the hearty co-operation of the members of the Church, by whom the calls were made:

Mrs. Gerhard, Halleck, Christ, Clausen, Wella, Norris, Yopliffe, Johnson, Schaeffer, McIver, Alonzo, Smith, Robinson, Baisbrown and Aulenbach; the Misses Gerhard, Armstrong, Ferguson, Katharine Wertsner, Helen Mc Henry, Crowder, Dean and O'Brien; the Messers Crowder, Middleton, Morris, Frech, Clausen, Boynton, Carmint, Feist, Streeper, Blood, Lehman, Bains, Rowley, Lennig, S. D. Parker, Jackson, Baxter, Frank Wilcox, Schaeffer, Aulenbach and Lukens.

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6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

Christ Church Rectory,
Septuagesima, 1925,

My Dear Friends:

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25. I am sure that the people of Christ Church want to make this Lent a very serious, a very helpful season. It is full of opportunity, it is full of precious privileges to those who will use it aright. It is an opportunity for every seriously minded person to withdraw, for a time, from the lighter, the less serious things in life and to devote himself exclusively to the things that are most worth while; to the serious, the real, the eternal principles of life. "Forty days with the Master!" What a blessed privilege comes to us in Lent to get a right perspective of living; to gain a wider, a higher vision of life, to come into closer communion with God.

That this Lent may mean all that it should mean, may I not ask you, my dear friends, to be very earnest, very serious, very faithful in the observance? Let me tell you how.

1. By abstaining from all worldly amusements and entertainments, that your thoughts may be given to the more serious and solemn lessons of life, and to observe the rule of fasting.

2. By reading, at the beginning and at the end of each day, some portion of God's Word. Read, during Lent, the shorter Epistles of St. Paul. I have had placed in the vestibules of our Church a pamphlet entitled, "Bible Readings and Prayers." These are for gratuitous distribution among our people. Take a copy home with you.

3. By reading, at least one good book, not a novel, on some religious subject, or on Church history. I have had placed in the vestibule a bookcase, in which may be found a number of books suitable for Lenten reading. These books may be borrowed by applying to the Secretary, Miss Bell.

4. By spending a few moments, each morning and evening, alone with God, in meditation and prayer. Do this in your home. Come also to the Church for a quiet hour of meditation and prayer. The Church is open all day.

5. By regular attendance at the week-day Lenten Services in the Church. Consult the Lenten list and resolve to attend certain services, regularly and faithfully.

6. By careful and conscientious preparation for Holy Communion, and by frequent attendance at the Sacrament of the altar, where we are bound together in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ and with all the loved ones here and absent.

7. By being more considerate, more patient, more forgiving, more loving to others; and by doing acts of kindness to every one you can.

I am sure that if you are faithful in these things during this Lent, a wonderful blessing will come into your life, a blessing of strength and peace and joy—such as the world cannot give.

May I not look for you—I am addressing each one of you personally—may I

not look for you at the Lenten week-day services, and, at least, twice every Sunday?

I have learned to expect great things from the people of Christ Church, and I have confidence in the deepening religious and spiritual life of the members of our Parish, during this coming Lent.

May God bless each one of you, my dear friends, and may He send His Holy Spirit into our hearts and arouse us all, Rector and people alike, to a greater zeal, a truer devotion, a deeper consecration to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,

Charles Henry Arndt.

SPECIAL SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

I want to call attention to every member of our Parish to the unusually interesting and instructive course of "Talks on the Bible" which is being given in Christ Church on Sunday evenings by the Rev. Addison A. Ewing, Rector of Gloria Dei Church, Philadelphia.

It is my plan to make these Sunday evening services less formal than the other services of the day and to have these "Talks on the Bible" very personal and practical in character.

We are very fortunate in having a speaker at these Sunday evening services who is preeminently able to give both a scholarly and spiritual interpretation of the parts of the Bible chosen for his course of talks.

Mr. Ewing does not speak from the pulpit, but comes "down among the people" and speaks in the aisle.

The large Congregations which are present at these Sunday evening services are evidence of the appreciation of the helpfulness of the teaching which they receive.

A question box is at the door of this Church in which persons are invited to place any question they want to ask.

These Special Sunday Evening Services ad "Personal Talks on the Bible" will continue Sunday evenings in Lent.

A cordial invitation is extended to all persons who may not be attendants at any other Church to share with the members of Christ Church in the privilege of this series of "Talks on the Bible."

A printed prospectus or motive of the course is distributed to members of the Congregation.

BOOKS IN THE VESTIBULE

The Rector has had placed in the Tul-

pehocken street vestibule of the Church a bookcase, in which will be found a number of books on religious and Church subjects.

The object of placing these books in the vestibule is to afford to all, who wish to use them, an opportunity of access to some of the best authorities on religious and kindred subjects, in which everyone, especially Churchmen, should be well informed.

These books will be loaned, without charge, to anyone who desires to read them.

The books may be kept for two weeks, after which time, they must be returned, with the privilege, however, of renewal for one week, if so desired.

No person may receive more than one book at a time.

Among this collection of books may be found a wide range of subjects, relating to religion and the teachings of the Church. There are a number especially suitable for Lenten reading. A list of the books is posted in the vestibule.

All attendants at the services of Christ Church are welcome to make free use of these books; the only conditions are that they be used carefully and returned within the time specified.

They are placed in the vestibule of the Church that the Congregation may have more ready access to them.

The books will be in charge of Miss Laura Bell, who will be glad to loan them to any who may apply.

Miss Bell may be seen after any service.

SUBSCRIBERS TO THE ORGAN FUND

Will all persons who have made subscriptions to the new organ please send payment on their subscriptions promptly as they are due, to Mr. Edward Bains?

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Payments must be made by the wardens to the builders of the organ as the work of construction progresses, and he will be able to meet these payments if all subscribers will kindly remit to him promptly.

It is expected to begin installation of the new organ within a few weeks, and we are promised that the work will be finished by Easter.

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God hath joined together,
let no man put asunder."

January 8th. Bradner MacPherson
and Edith Watters.

BURIALS

"Looking for the Resurrection and the
Life of the World to Come."

December 11th. Anna Matilda Ellis.
December 13th. Rachel Bennett.

December 24th. Emily Washburn
Richards.

December 29th. Benjamin F. Lacy.
January 6th. Margaret Ann Chambers.

January 7th. George T. Morgan.
January 28th. Anna West Straw-
bridge.

February 1st. Samuel Williamson.
February 9th. Anna Mary Scholes.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS PLAY

The Parish House chaplain auditorium was full to overflowing on Friday evening, January 30th, on the occasion of presentation of "Pollyanna," under the auspices of the Men's Bible Class.

It was a great success in every respect. Persons who had tickets to sell are requested to make settlement, as soon as possible, with Mrs. James Carmint, Jr., 6373 Sherman Street.

THE LENTEN SERVICES

The schedule of special Lenten services will be found on another page of this issue of the "Chimes." The hours of the services have been arranged to

meet, as far as possible, the convenience of every class of people within the Parish. The early Celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday has been appointed at half past seven o'clock, that business people and others may attend before going to their daily duties, and thus avail themselves of a proper beginning of this Holy Season. The afternoon services are put at an hour when people, who remain in Germantown during the day, may conveniently attend.

It will be noticed from the schedule, that evening prayer will not be held every afternoon, as in previous years. Evening prayer will be said on three afternoons, each week. This change is made with the hope that the fewer afternoon services will be more largely attended.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes for instruction in Confirmation are being formed and will meet in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors and on Friday evenings at eight o'clock for adults. All persons who are not baptized or confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector as soon as possible.

The Rector will be pleased to meet any person who wishes to consult with him on the subject, after Church service or by appointment. The Bishop will visit this Parish Maundy Thursday evening, April 9th.

ALTERATIONS IN THE CHANCEL

Alterations in the chancel, preparatory to the installation of the new organ, which will be installed in Christ Church during Lent, are about completed. The disfigurement of the walk of the chancel, caused by the alterations, will make it necessary to redecorate the entire chancel. It is hoped that this may be done at an early date.

A WORD TO PARENTS

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young

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call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the instructions given by the Rector in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with the children to these instructions.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you:

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

Are you doing your duty?

CHURCH SERVICE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The service on Thursday afternoons in Lent will be especially adapted to young people. The Rector will give a series of talks to boys and girls.

A Junior Lenten choir, composed of boys and girls, will lead the singing. Young people who wish to join this Lenten choir are invited to attend the rehearsals held in the Parish House on Thursday afternoons at 4.15. The service in the Church is at 4.45.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Regular sessions are held every Sunday morning at 9.45 o'clock in the Parish House. Colonel Sheldon Potter is giving an interesting series of talks on the history of the Books of the Bible, and the hour is interspersed with inspiring hymns. All men of Christ Church and men in the neighborhood are cordially invited to attend. The Class Social Night is held on the third Thursday of each month, at which time the same invitation is extended.

R. J. L.

SERVICES DURING LENT

Sundays

Holy Communion..... 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Young People's Meeting in
the Parish House..... 6.45 P. M.
Evening Service
Course of "Ten Talks on
the Bible," by the Rev.
Addison A. Ewing..... 7.45 P. M.

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion..... 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential
Office, Address..... 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Address... 8.00 P. M.

Weekly Services

Tuesdays—Evening Prayer,
Address 4.45 P. M.
Wednesdays—Evenings—Ad-
dress on "The Creed.".... 8.00 P. M.
Thursdays—Evening Prayer,
Address to Young
People 4.45 P. M.
Friday Mornings—Litany,
Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M.
Saturdays—Evening Prayer,
(No Address)..... 4.45 P. M.

Instructions on Confirmation will be given in the Parish House, as follows:

For Adults—Friday Eve-
nings 8.00 o'clock.
For Minors—Sunday Aft-
ernoons 4.00 o'clock.

FORTY-FIVE MINUTE YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING

A meeting for young men and women will be held in the Parish House on Sunday evenings in Lent, beginning promptly at 6.45 o'clock. The first fifteen minutes will be spent in singing hymns, after which there will be a half-hour religious meeting, conducted by young men. The subject for discussion will be "Characters of the New Testament." The course will include the following:

First Sunday in Lent—Subject: "St. John, the Evangelist"—Leader, Richard G. Sutcliffe.

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Second Sunday in Lent—Subject: "Mary of Bethany"—Leader, Frank F. Wells.

Third Sunday in Lent—Subject: "Simon Peter"—Leader, Karl L. Mos-teller.

Fourth Sunday in Lent—Subject: "Mary Magdalene"—Leader, Guy F. Wells.

Fifth Sunday in Lent—Subject: "St. Thomas"—Leader, Arthur T. Hallock.

Sixth Sunday in Lent—Subject: "Christ and the Rich Young Ruler."—Leader, Lewis S. Whitby.

An invitation is extended to all young men and women to attend these meetings and take part in the discussions.

George C. Bland will have charge of the music and preside at the piano.

OUR NEW ORGAN

We are now looking forward with keen anticipation to the installation of our new organ.

The old instrument has been removed and the chancel and organ space are ready for the reception of the pipes and console.

The following informal description of the organ was prepared at the office of the Hall Organ Company for the "Chimes."

"Description of new pipe organ for
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"Christ Episcopal Church is now having built a new organ of the very latest type by The Hall Organ Company, of New Haven, Conn., which will enable the Organist to produce, with ease, the most artistic musical results.

"The instrument will contain all of the essential tone colors and also the beautiful shadings that will produce a perfectly balanced service of worship.

"The console, or keyboard, will be detached from the organ and placed on the opposite side of the Chancel, connected to the organ by an electric cable made up of hundreds of wires that will control all of the stops and pipes of the organ by means of magnets operated by eight

volts of electric current.

There are over three thousand pipes in the organ, varying in length from 16 ft. to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch, made up of tin, lead, zinc, wood and brass. These varying materials and sizes are essential to produce the many tonal effects needed for church and orchestral requirements. In this organ will be found every tone color of a large orchestra, in addition to those peculiar to a pipe organ only.

"The organ will be one of the largest and finest in Germantown, and contains numerous mechanical accessories, such as couplers, balanced pedals, and adjustable combinations, which appear only in the latest type of the 'king of instruments.'

"The wind for the organ is supplied by an electric fan blower which insures an ample and perfectly steady supply of wind at all times, the flow of wind being controlled automatically.

"The specifications of the organ were designed in conjunction with your Organist, Mr. Burness, and the results will undoubtedly show careful thought and study on the part of an expert."

Of course, much remains to be done, for the changes in the Chancel will require its re-decoration, an expense that must be charged to the organ fund, as it was made necessary in order to accommodate the new instrument.

Our original estimate of \$20,000, therefore, will just about meet all our obligations. This amount has not yet been realized. May we not hear at once from all who have not yet subscribed? Every member of Christ Church will want to participate in this great work of providing suitable music for the years to come.

Pledge Cards may be obtained and subscriptions sent to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Edward Baines, Stenton above Wyoming Avenue, Germantown.

T. H. C.

AN ENCOURAGING LETTER FROM THE ACCOUNTING WARDEN

Christ Church again during 1924 was on the honor roll of the Churches of the

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Diocese which met their missionary apportionments in full. Our apportionment of \$4,000 was not only raised, but exceeded by over \$600. This amount was made possible by the generous Easter Offering of the Sunday School and Bible Class of \$840.00, and also the annual offering of the Women's Auxiliary of \$500.

Christ Church is thus taking an active and increasing part in the work of the Church beyond the Parish. It is hoped that every member will contribute to this cause, that Christ Church may continue to do its part in carrying the Gospel to those not as fortunately situated as ourselves.

The increase in the amount of the offerings for this cause from year to year, as well as the interest shown in other worthy causes which are brought before us with appeals for assistance which are not included in the Missionary apportionment, cannot but be a great encouragement to our Rector in his work as well as most gratifying to every member who desires to see Christ Church take a prominent part in the missionary work of the diocese.

Edward Bains,
Accounting Warden.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The last meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church Parish was the annual meeting at which officers for the following year were elected and annual reports from the secretary and treasurer were read.

The treasurer's report showed that \$1012.72 was raised during the past year. This amount includes a special fund of \$500 pledged by the Auxiliary toward the Parish Missionary apportionment.

This was raised by various activities—rummage sales, motion picture benefits, etc.

The dues given through the envelopes amounted to \$197.49. We received \$200 from the estate of Miss Sally Johnson.

\$250 of the special fund was sent to

a school for mountaineer children in North Carolina.

A like amount was sent to the Chapel of the Resurrection, Wuchang, China.

The remainder of the amount was given to many other Missions.

So much for our past activities. Now, for this year's work, we must raise another \$500.

Our first venture will be a series of cake sales to be held in the Parish House on the last Saturday morning of every month from ten until one o'clock.

We hope that the women of the Parish will take an active interest in these sales and will either send us a cake to sell or come and buy one.

Also, we are earnestly praying that more women will come to our meetings this year. They are held on the first Monday of the month in the Parish House, at two o'clock. During Lent, the Auxiliary will meet for sewing every Monday afternoon, at two o'clock.

Every woman is cordially welcome.
A. F. M.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild observed its annual Corporate Communion on February 10th, the Sunday nearest the date of our organization.

We will hold our next business meeting on February 23rd, at which time arrangements will be made to take care of the services during the approaching Lent.

The Serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

Feb. 13-20: Dean, Crowder, McHenry.
Feb. 20-27: Cotton, Higginbotham, Stryke.
Feb. 27-March 6: Chase, Wertsner, Smith.
March 6-13: Mogridge, Wisner, Mogridge.

G. F. D.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly Society of Christ

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Church announces "A Washington Party," on Friday evening, February 20th, at 8 p. m., in the Parish House. Tickets only 35 cents—can be obtained from any member.

Your returns for money invested will be great!

Purpose—To raise the quota for our Branch to go toward the erection of a National Centre at Washington, D. C., to commemorate in 1926 the Fiftieth Anniversary of the birth of the G. F. S. in America.

This memorial will be a hotel built with the money subscribed by the G. F. S. in the United States—open to its members at any time, and where friends will always be found ready to give advice or direction and extend a warm welcome.

We want to be represented in this memorial by our G. F. S.—So, come out and bring your friends to help us do our share and have a good time.

L. J. J.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

Our annual Christmas dinner, on Tuesday, January 13th, was a great success.

We do not wish to make our readers hungry by telling of the good things to eat; but we just must tell them that the turkeys were delicious.

After the food was disposed of, we were entertained by the songs by Miss Mogridge, Mrs. Mogridge at the piano.

We were greatly pleased by the range and sweetness of her voice. Another feature of the afternoon's entertainment was a sleigh-of-hand performance, followed by music on some bells, with piano accompaniment. The expense of this part of the programme was provided by Dr. Arndt, and was greatly enjoyed.

The ladies in charge were pleasantly surprised by the gift of some beautiful towels presented by the Mothers and embroidered by one of their number. Mrs. Arndt was a sharer in this pleasant surprise.

Every seat at both tables was filled.

We are sure that the dinner was a red-letter day on the Mothers' Meeting Calendar.

A. M. M.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

A few words as to the record of the School for the year 1924 may be of interest to our friends.

Our average attendance of 185 was a little better than the year before.

Our offerings for 1924 were:
For Church support.....\$ 651.91
" Missions (1st Sunday each month) 175.74
For Missions (Lenten Mite Boxes) 833.89
" Children's Country Week. 60.00
" Japan Reconstruction.....70.95
" Christmas Boxes..... 15.00
" Rector's Relief Fund (Advent Offering) 156.25

Total.....\$1,963.74

This amount is \$320 more than we gave in 1923.

We might add that the Church supports the School, a budget for the same being submitted to the Vestry each year by the officers of the School.

The School in turn gives its weekly offerings to the Church, except that of the first Sunday of each month, which goes to our Missionary Fund.

Lent is nearly here, and the work of our School, as usual, will be for Missions by means of our "Mite Boxes," which are to be filled in two ways.

First—Doing some work especially for The Mite Box Fund.

Second—By Self Denial; giving up some pleasures we wanted to enjoy and putting the amount we would save in the "Mite Box" day by day during the forty days of Lent.

Now, last year, the School gave 833.89 cents in our Lenten Offering. This is a high mark to pass, but if we do not beat this it will be the first time we have gone backward in six years. Now we have to

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have a MARK to aim at, so let us this year, take ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS and see how nearly we hit it.

Let us see what this amount means. It means, if every one helps, an average of just TEN CENTS A DAY for each day in Lent (not including Sundays). Now, some of us, especially the little ones, can not, I know, come up to the average required, but some can do more than the average.

What is very sure is that if every member of the School takes a "Mite Box," and if every one earnestly tries to do his or her best in the two ways mentioned, we can easily "Go Over the Top."

Why was our Advent Offering of \$156.25 over four times as much as in any previous year? Answer—Because 202 members of the School took part.

Just read the following table of our Lenten offerings for the last few years and see how we have been climbing UP each year. Let us GO ON "UP" not down.

1916	\$	159.00
1917		200.00
1918		117.00
1919		203.52
1921		253.74
1922		275.00
1923		750.55
1924		833.89
1925	"GOAL".....	1,000.00

R. H. M.

The following little poem was recently given to the Rector. It is so helpful and inspiring that he wishes to share it with the readers of the "Chimes."

ONE DAY AT A TIME

One day at a time, with its failures and fears,
With its hurts and mistakes, with its weakness and tears,
With its portion of pain and its burden of care:
One day at a time we must meet and must bear.

One day at a time—but the day is so long—
And the heart is not brave and the soul is not strong.
Oh Thou pitiful Christ, be thou near all the way;
Give courage and patience and strength for the day.
Swift cometh His answer, so clear and so sweet:
"Yea, I will be with thee, thy troubles to meet;
I will not forget thee, nor fail thee, nor grieve;
I will not forsake thee; I never will leave."

One day at a time, and the day is His day:
He hath numbered its hours, though they haste or delay.
His grace is sufficient, we walk not alone;
As the day, so the strength that He giveth His own.

Lent.

To the Residents in the
Vicinity of Christ Church:
Dear Friends:

A series of ten informal "Talks on the Bible" are being given in Christ Episcopal Church, corner Tulpehocken and McCallum Streets, by the noted Biblical scholar, Rev. Addison A. Ewing, Rector of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes) Church, Philadelphia.

As these talks are unusually interesting and instructive, I am inviting persons in this community who may not be attendants at any other church, to share with us in the privilege of this service of talks on the Bible.

An opportunity is given at these informal services to present any questions you may wish to ask.

The service will begin promptly at 7.45 o'clock and will last one hour. Seats at all services in Christ Church are free and unassigned.

Faithfully yours,
Charles Henry Arndt.

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The Rector's Notes
 The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings



SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M. Service and Meditation... 4.45 P. M.	Good Friday Penitential Office, Pro-Ana- phora. Address.....10.30 A. M.
Tuesday Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M. Service and Meditation... 4.45 P. M.	Three Hour Meditation on the "Seven Words from the Cross." Conducted by the Rev. F. Pottle, of St. Mark's Church. Philadelphia.... 12 M. to 3 P. M.
Wednesday Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M. Service and Meditation... 4.45 P. M. Litany and Address..... 8.00 P. M.	Easter Even Evening Prayer, Baptism 4.45 P. M.
Maundy Thursday Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M. Service and Address..... 4.45 P. M. Confirmation and Address by the Rt. Rev. Thomas Camp- bell Darst, D. D..... 7.45 P. M.	Easter Day Holy Communion....6.30, 7.30 A. M. Shortened Morning Prayer, Holy Communion, Sermon, 11.00 A. M. Church School Carol Service 7.30 P. M.

EASTER COMMUNION

As these solemn days of Lent draw to
 a close, every soul that has followed our
 Lord during these past forty days, in
 His fastings, in His temptations, in His
 suffering and at the Cross, will be pre-
 pared and will yearn to be with Him on
 the Day of His Resurrection in the joy
 of **Easter Communion.**

Easter is the "Queen of the Festivals"
 and throughout the Christian ages has
 been the "Day of Days," when the faith-
 ful have solemnized the Resurrection of
 our Lord by coming to the Holy Com-
 munion.

Our "Holy Communion" then becomes
 our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the
 term implies, our "holy thanksgiving."

If, then, we have spent this Lent in a
 faithful following of our Lord, we may

truly share at the Holy Eucharist on
 Easter morning, the joy of His Resur-
 rection. On this Resurrection morn, we
 may "lift up our hearts" and be in the
 very presence of our Risen Lord and
 with all God's saints in "one Communion
 and fellowship in the mystical body of
 His Son, Christ our Lord" and with the
 "angels and archangels and with all the
 company of Heaven," join in the beatific
 praise. "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God
 Almighty"

This is the Communion of the saints.
 This is the beatific vision St. John saw,
 "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day,
 Heaven was opened"; and this is the
 beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's
 saints who draw near unto Him in spirit
 and in truth on this Great Day of the
 Lord—the Day of His Resurrection from
 the Dead.



"If any man will come after Me, let him take up his Cross and follow Me."

The "Forty Days" are now drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and we now enter Holy Week—into the mystery of the Passion of our Blessed Lord.

There rises before our eyes the Cross; and on the Cross—behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Son of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world!"

"Is it nothing to you all ye that pass

by?"

Yes, dear Lord, it is "something to me"—something very real and painful to me. For it is I, who have helped nailed Thee to the cruel Cross. It is I, who, by my indifference, my faithlessness, my selfishness have driven the nails into Thy quivering hands and feet. It is I, who by my sin have pierced Thy heart and plaited the crown of thorns upon Thy brow. Lord, it is I! It is I! O, Lord,

have mercy O, Lord, forgive! O, Lord, strengthen me, make me more faithful, more loving, more true! O, Lord, hear my prayer and let my cry come unto Thee!

Lord Jesus—when we stand afar,
And gaze upon Thy Holy Cross,
In love of Thee, and scorn of self,
Oh, may we count the world as loss!

When we behold Thy bleeding wounds,
And the rough way that Thou hast
trod,

Make us to hate the load of sin
That lay so heavy on our God.

O, Holy Lord, uplifted high,
With outstretched arms, in mortal
woe,

Embracing in Thy wondrous love
The sinful world that lies below;

Give us an ever-living faith
To gaze beyond the things we see:
And in the mystery of Thy death
Draw us and all men unto Thee.

Let each one of us during this Holy Week, which now draws near, let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty, trifling schemes and vanities, and let us contemplate in wonder, awe and love, the closing scene of our Lord's earthly life. Let us follow Him day by day from His triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city, He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly goes His way along the "Via Dolorosa," passing through the gates of the city, which rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary, to the Cross.

At the daily Celebrations of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated, accordingly, in Christ Church, every week day morning in Holy Week, until Maundy Thursday, inclusive. The service will be at half-past nine o'clock.

In the afternoons of Monday, Tuesday,

Wednesday and Thursday at 4.45 there will be service and short "Meditation" on the Sacred Events of each day.

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Thomas Campbell Darst, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina, will visit this Parish and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The service will be at 7.45 o'clock.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday with the Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The Meditation will be conducted by the Rev. Vincent F. Pottle, of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and Address.

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's suffering for the sins of the world—where else would one want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation, in Intercession and in Prayer?

Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!

"Behold the Cross, whose cruel wood
Upbears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

CONFIRMATION

The Rt. Rev. Thomas Campbell Darst, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina, will visit this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening (April 9th) to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. It is not yet "too late" for persons who are moved by the Holy Spirit of God to confess Jesus Christ, to be confirmed. Some day, it may be "too late." The

Rector will be glad to talk with any one on this subject, after any service or by appointment. "Now is the accepted time, now is the day of Salvation!"

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

The Services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion.....6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Shortened Morning Prayer.

Holy Communion, Sermon,...11.00A.M.
Church School's Easter

Carol Service..... 7.30 P. M.
Address by the Rev. Charles

E. Spaldman.
Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week

Holy Communion.... 9.30 A. M.

The Rector will be assisted in the Services on Easter Day by the Rev. William H. Cavanagh.

EASTER GREETINGS

A Happy Easter, full of grace, and peace and joy to every Christian heart! Out of the darkness of Good Friday the Easter Light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with hope and joy.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back, from the brightness of Eastern morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see the darkness was the precursor of the dawn.

What a difference it would make in every life, were we to see more clearly through the light of the Easter Day the meaning of the dark days of our life,—our failures, our temptations, our trials, the tragedies of our life!

God grant that on this Easter Day the members of our Parish may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, are, to those who trust and live in the spirit of Christ, the heralds of new life and hope and joy.

We may rejoice, then, even when we look into the grave: for we know that "He is not here. He is risen!"

Let us weave this blessed Easter truth into our lives! Let it give courage and hope to discouraged ones, comfort to the

meekness—joy to every soul; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection and the Life," said the Lord; "he that believeth in Me, though he be dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

AN ORCHESTRA TO LEAD THE CHOIR IN EASTER MUSIC

The music on Easter Day at Christ Church promises to be unusually fine.

Disappointed in our expectation of having our new organ for the great Festival, the Committee determined to substitute for it orchestral music, and has secured an orchestra under the leadership of Mr. Alden H. Bruton, consisting of two violins, viola, cello, bass viol, flute, piano and organ (the latter being the small organ played by Mr. Burness).

The augmented Choir, under the leadership of Mr. Owen Burness, and assisted by the orchestra, will render:

Stainer's Communion Service in F.
The Prelude to the service will be

"In a Monastery Garden" (Ketelby).

The Offertory (also by the Orchestra) will be "Pastorale" (Trinkhaus).

The Postlude will be:

The March, from Tannhauser (Wagner).

With this programme we confidently expect to more than atone for the absence of our great organ.

It is suggested that the congregation be seated a few minutes before 11 o'clock, so as to hear the beautiful strains of the Prelude.

The Processional Hymn will be: "Welcome, Happy Morning!"

"Christ, Our Passover".....Chapple.

"Glorias"Walters.

Introit, "Te Deum," E Flat, Federlein.

"Gloria in Excelsis," in G...Gilchrist.

Office Hymn....."The Day of Resurrection."

Recessional"Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" T. H. C.

OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our offering, on Easter Day, should be an expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. It should represent sacrifice. An Easter offering, in any other spirit, is "a mere mockery," a travesty

of the Easter Spirit.

Whilst I am deeply interested and sincerely hope that the full amount asked by the Vestry from the Congregation may be, as it should be, fully realized. I am not primarily interested in the amount. I am more interested that there shall be in every member of our Parish, the true spirit of Christian giving; that each gift may be an expression of true devotion to Christ and His Church. And no gift can rightly be called a "religious offering" that does not represent this spirit—the spirit of love and sacrifice!

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver is very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and more acceptable to God than the larger offering of the rich.

But my observation and experience during a long ministry has convinced me that the small coin in the offering is not given, as a rule, by the poorer members of the Parish. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldly, who have money to spend on themselves and for their own selfish ends, but economize in their gifts to God. And such giving, I repeat, is in no sense, worthy to be called a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of sacrifice; it does not represent the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ. C. H. A.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services, in no sense, as a "collection." The term "collection," in reference to giving of money at the service of worship should never be used. It is an offering, an offering to God, and, as such, is an essential part of worship; and the rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that "the devotions of the people shall be reverently brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it (to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

David of old said: "I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing." And, surely, if David realized the meaning and the significance of an "offering unto the Lord," no one who calls himself a Christian and a follower of Jesus Christ can be said to have any real part in the solemn and serious wor-

ship of God, who lightly "offers unto the Lord that which costs him nothing."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of love. And how much love is there in the person, how much Christian joy can come to anyone—who puts on the plate on Easter morning an insignificant amount, "that which costs him nothing."

"Freely have ye received, freely give." C. H. A.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials of the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the chancel on Easter Day in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday preceding Easter, not later than noon.

Names of senders of flowers, together with the names of those in whose memory the flowers are sent, are requested to accompany the gifts.

Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may send the same either to the Rector or to Miss Chase, President of the Altar Guild, 152 East Washington Lane. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials placed on the altar. Contributions of money are requested to be sent as soon as possible than an early selection of flowers may be made.

The plants and flowers are sent to the sick after Easter.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

An election of Vestrymen of this Parish to be held in the Church on Easter Monday, April 13th, between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M. Four Vestrymen are to be elected this year. The terms of three Vestrymen expire.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

"Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestrymen one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the secretary at least ten days prior to

such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate."

The Charter of Incorporation, Article 6, reads: "The Vestry of Christ Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide; and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of, at least, two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each."

The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestryman."

CONSIDER THE BLUE ENVELOPE

The material part of your Church is represented by a very valuable plot of ground and buildings, that run into many thousands of dollars.

In fact, most of us have never given it the thought, that these properties require considerable attention and repairs to keep this Sacred legacy and investment intact.

Something like \$3,600.00 should be spent on just repairs today, and then without any advance work, the buildings would only be brought up to fair condition.

Formerly, the amount allowed for this work was insufficient to keep pace with depreciation.

The Vestry very wisely and generously appropriated for this year \$1,200.00 for repairs, and, with your help, your Property Committee hopes to be able to catch up with many of the delinquent and urgent repairs.

The items of repairs are numerous,

among which are:

Church roofing, which is estimated to cost\$3,000.00

Repair of the Church cushions to cost..... 750.00.

Exterior painting of buildings 900.00

New joists over boiler in Parish House 200.00

and many other items large and small.

The Church vestibules and entrances from the street should be electrically lighted, and your grounds about the Church should be made more sightly.

A contract for pointing the stonework of the exterior of the Church was let, and the work is now well under way.

Won't every contributor, through the envelopes, please "Consider the Blue Envelope?" You will be helping in a good work.

Property Committee,

U. G. Rowley,

O. N. Middleton,

Frederick Lennig (Chairman).

CHURCH SCHOOL

With the Lenten Season here, the scholars are all earnestly working to fill their Mite Boxes and by Self-Denial, they expect to go over the top with our Goal of \$1000 for the Mission Fund.

We are very glad to welcome the return of Miss Phylliss Morgan, and our Teachers' Staff is greatly improved by this addition.

At our Christmas Entertainment, Mr. Clausen was presented with a beautiful Mouth Organ. Showing his appreciation of this gift, he has organized our Orchestra in his Class, and we expect to hear some sweet music from them in the near future.

Now that Spring is here, our School is all filled with the fresh Spring Spirit of good cheer, happiness and bright prospects.

We notice a marked increase in attendance, and after receiving the Good Message and thorough instruction from our faithful teachers every one goes away smiling, and full of love and happiness, looking forward to the next Sunday Morning at 9.45, and we welcome you to come along with them. C. J. C.

Come to
the

FAIR

to be given by the
Sunday School

April 17th, 3.30—10.30 P. M.

for the Benefit of Missions

Cake, Candy, Fancy Work,

Dancing, Many Novel Attractions.

Platter Supper.

Six to Seven O'Clock.

Remember the date—Friday, April 17!

Remember the hour—3.30—10.30 P. M.!

Remember the object—Missions!

Leave the cat at home

and

Bring the Family.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The Lenten Offering of the Sunday School will receive a large contribution from the Class. The proceeds of the "Pollyanna" performance are considerably over one hundred dollars, and in addition, the members have each taken a Mite Box, to be returned at Easter with each man's personal offering.

Colonel Potter is giving an interesting course of lessons on the history of the "Books of the Bible," at the regular services on Sunday mornings. The large attendance shows how well the lessons are appreciated. All men of the Parish and neighborhood are cordially invited to attend on Sunday mornings at 9.45 o'clock.

R. J. L.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. of Christ Church, having just completed its 1924 payment toward the National Centre Memorial on the Fiftieth Anniversary, in 1926, of the G. F. S. in America, it is now planning some Travel Talks for each alternate Tuesday in Lent.

We had a most interesting evening afforded us through the kindness of Miss Dorothy Jenkins, of Grace Church, Mount Airy, who gave us some of her experiences last winter and spring on her trips around the world. There was a large turnout and a most enjoyable and instructive evening was spent.

Dr. Arndt has promised to take us with him "On His Bicycle Trip Through England and Ireland." Others will fol-

lowed—speaker and tour to be announced.

All Lenten sewing has been distributed and must be ready for exhibition on April 23. The work that is being stressed, the most is to raise the money for another worker to help Mr. and Mrs. Collier, who have established a Christmas Centre, so to remedy some of the evils in China regarding child labor.

L. J. J.

THE UNITED THANK OFFERING

For many years past, the women of the Church have presented, at the General Convention of the Church, held every three years, an offering, known as a "United Thank Offering," as an expression of the gratitude of women for blessings which they have received.

The amount presented by the women at the last General Convention, held in Portland, Ore., amounted to \$681,145.09; ten per cent. of which was appropriated to provide pension for women missionaries, \$10,000 for buildings and the residue for women workers in the Missionary fields.

The Rector of every Parish is requested to appoint a Treasurer or Custodian whose duty it is to supply mite boxes to every woman in the Parish, with the request that a Thank Offering shall be placed in the box from time to time (daily, if possible), and a prayer be said on behalf of the missionaries of the Church.

These boxes are to be turned in to the Parish Treasurer every six months. A large number of women in Christ Church Parish have been sharing in this "United Thank Offering" for many years past, and the amount contributed by them has been generous. But there are a great many women who have not been contributors to this offering, due, no doubt, in many cases to a lack of understanding of its object.

The Rector has appointed Mrs. Charles Heyer, 75 West Johnson Street, as Parish Treasurer of the Thank Offering, and she will be pleased to give information to any woman in the Parish who wishes to share in this offering. Mite boxes may be obtained from Mrs. Heyer.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

This is an SOS call to our friends. We are sadly in need of pieces of cloth for rugs. There is a never ceasing demand for them, but it is almost impossible to supply the necessary material. So, please, look through your bureaus, trunks, your closets and send any pieces of suitable cloth to the Mothers' Meeting for rugs.

We also have for sale tea towels, gingham or fancy aprons, shoe bags, laundry bags and all kinds of towels for the bathroom.

During Lent we are sewing for the Needle Work Guild, and we are expecting a very creditable showing of work for that organization.

A. M. M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Only two more months before we adjourn for the summer. Before the first of the year we must raise \$500 toward our quota for Missions. How are we going to do it?

We need new ideas, and we need also more women to come to our Monthly Meetings to help us push this undertaking through.

Our cake sales held in the Parish House on the last Saturday of each Month have added something to our fund, but we are still far short of our goal.

The meetings this winter have shown an increase in attendance; but we need more help in this very important work.

We meet the first Monday of the month at two o'clock, in the Parish House.

All women in the Parish are invited.
A. F. W.

THE MISSIONARY QUOTO OF CHRIST CHURCH

The following letter addressed to the Rector's submitted to the members of Christ Church Parish for their consideration and reply.

Diocese of Pennsylvania,
Church House,
Philadelphia,
February 25, 1925.

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.,
Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Dear Dr. Arndt:

The "Expectations" relating to contributions from the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese applying to the Maintenance Budget of the work of the Diocese and General Church for 1924, as reported to the last annual Convention, totalled \$408,550.00. When our books closed for the year, the Parishes and Missions had paid \$390,984.25 of this amount. The sincere effort made to reach the "Expectation" figure was most encouraging, and the interest was widespread. \$73,292.65 of Divisible Funds was received in December, 1924, as compared with \$44,559.45 in December, 1923, to apply to this figure.

A necessary increase of approximately 10 per cent. has been apportioned among the Parishes and Missions for 1925. Your people are asked, if possible, to contribute \$4,500.00, as their share of \$450,000, the total amount apportioned, on the basis of \$215,000, for the General Church.

We desire to report the "Expectations" relating to this total sum, to the annual Convention in May. Will you kindly assist the Finance Department by indicating your willingness to undertake to raise from your people the amount requested, or giving the nearest amount to that figure which you can reasonably expect to raise, understanding that any less amount means a serious handicap to the Diocese and the General Church.

Faithfully yours,

Thomas J. Garland,
Chairman.

Thomas S. Gates,
Treasurer.

W. P. Barba,
Assistant Treasurer.

Reynolds D. Brown,
Executive Secretary.

The Hall Organ Company, of West Haven, Conn., builders of our new organ, regretting their inability to furnish the instrument in time for the Easter-Day services, have generously offered to pay for the orchestral music which will be used in its stead.

This action on their part, which is purely voluntary—as the delay was caused by labor troubles over which they had no control—is highly appreciated by the members of Christ Church, and is an additional indication that their business is conducted upon a higher plane than mere conformity to legal technicalities.

VESTRYMEN AS GUIDES IN SPIRITUALITY

As indicating that vestrymen need not necessarily confine their influence within a Parish to purely material matters, the following circular letter recently addressed by the members of the vestry to the parishioners of St. John's Church, Knoxville, Tenn., bears witness:

"In an address recently made to the Congregation of our Church, the Rector incidentally called attention to the fact that the average number of persons partaking of the Holy Communion at the regular service on the first Sunday of the month is only about one-sixth of the number of the confirmed persons on the record of the Parish.

"While neither as Vestrymen or individually do we wish to be considered as dictating to others their duty as Churchmen we do, in the most fraternal spirit possible, invite your attention to the fact that our people are not as mindful as they should be of the privilege which is theirs, of heeding the Master's injunction: 'Do this in remembrance of Me.' It is the one way in which we, as Christian men and women, can show our loyalty to Christ our Saviour, manifest the faith we profess, and prove that we are not ashamed of that profession of our religion.

"We beg you to consider this matter not as a duty, but as the exercise of the spirit of true worship, as an aid to personal religious strength, as the real source of a quiet mind and a calm temper in the midst of this changing and transitory life, as the means of reviving our faith in our Lord if it has been neglected, forgotten, or denied, and as the guide into the way of truth and in righteousness of life.

"We also wish to know that as Vestrymen and your chosen Stewards, we most heartily commend and endorse the pres-

ent plans for the support of Missions, both Foreign and Diocesan, and every good work which is being carried on in our Parish life for the upbuild of Christ's Kingdom and the good of our fellowmen."

The letter was signed by twelve Vestrymen.

BAPTISMS

"In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

February 22. James Frank Manser.
March 1. Wilbur Frederick Long.
March 8. Helen Elizabeth Wilson.
March 8. David William Wilson.
March 8. Ruth Florence Fitch.
March 8. Jean Isabel Fitch.
March 8. Harriet Hathaway Fitch.
March 8. Eugene Nelson Fitch.

MARRIAGES

"Those whom God that joined together, let no man put asunder."

December 27. Alfred Cookman Marple Powell and Marion Murray.
December 27. Rex Raymond White and Lorna Doone Rutter.

BURIALS

"Looking for the Resurrection and the Life of the World to Come."

February 24. Anna M. Hillings.
February 26. Margaret Elizabeth Orme.
March 13. William M. Gallagher.
March 25. Sallie E. Robinson.

HIS GIFT TO THE DEAD—AN EASTER SUGGESTION

A friend has sent to the Rector the following touching account of a gift of love to the dead. It is an example worthy of imitation. It is an appropriate Easter suggestion. The account is as follows: "An old man came to the home of a certain clergyman the other day and laid down \$150.00 'to help out some needy family.' Then he told this story:

"Years ago, when all of my folks were living, I couldn't afford to give presents. Things are different now, but most of my

folks have gone. I went shopping, just as if my folks were alive. I picked out a shawl for an aunt of mine. She's dead, and so I didn't buy it, but I put down the amount of money I would have spent. Then I went and got some things for my dead brother and for my father and mother and for a few old friends of mine. I didn't really get them, you know, but I priced the things. I thought they would like. When I added up all the money I would have spent it came to almost \$150, so I added a little to it, and here it is."

Has anyone heard of a finer, more beautiful way of showing a man's love for his dead? The things he had wanted to do it was too late to do now. He might, it is true, have spent money on stone to make more artificial and melancholy and quiet hillside where "his folks" rest. He found a better way to spend his affection to remember in fancy those he could no longer reach, and then to see that his loving memory of them went to make others happier. He made his love for his dead a power to gladden the living. He laid tribute on grief and made it a blessing. It is not a sad story. But is an experience which will bring comfort to any sad life—the comfort which comes to the sad and sorrowful in remembering the dead by a gift of love to the living. It is an example worthy of imitation at this Easter Season.

THE EVENTS

In the Last Work of Our Saviour's Life

Just as naturally as affection prompts me to keep in mind and follow hour by hour some dear one on a journey, so I follow day by day the events of those days of gathering gloom about "the Man of sorrows," as He draws nearer and nearer to Calvary. Upon its varied scenes I concentrate my thought and affection, and when at last, in the twilight of Good Friday, I kneel at the foot of that Cross whereon our Saviour died, gazing in wonder and amazement upon that awful tragedy, I am ready, with a heart melted to tenderness, to offer and present to our dear Redeemer my own life—soul and body—"to be a reasonable, holy and living sacrifice" to Him and His service."

SATURDAY EVENING

Evening in Bethany—

Supper at Simon's house: Lazarus present.

Mary breaks alabaster box and anoints Jesus' feet.

The covetousness of Judas foiled.

SUNDAY (Palm Sunday)

Early Morning—

Christ's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.

Starts from Bethany, accompanied by multitude.

Sends disciples ahead to Bethphage for ass and colt.

Multitude comes from Jerusalem to meet Him.

All shout Hosanna and strew palm branches on the way—St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Luke, St. John.

Noon—

Jesus weeps over Jerusalem.

Jesus teaches in Temple all day.

Evening—

Returns at night to Bethany.

MONDAY

Morning—

Jesus curses the barren fig tree.—St. Matthew xxi:19.

Casts out buyers and sellers from Temple.—St. Matthew xxi:12.

"My House shall be called the House of Prayer."

Teaches in the Temple all day.

Evening—

Returns at night to Bethany.

TUESDAY

Morning—

The fig tree withered away.

In the Temple.

Deputation from Sanhedrim awaiting Him.

"By what authority doest Thou these things?"

The reply of Christ.

Parable of "Two Sons."

Parable of the "Wicked Husbandman."

Parable of the "Wedding Garment."

His enemies combine together to entrap Him.

Herodian's question about "Tribute."

Sadducees' question about "The Resurrection."

Pharisees' question about "Great Commandment."

Our Lord's question about "Two Natures of Christ."

The widow casts her two mites into the Treasury.

Jesus takes final leave of the Temple.

Disciples' exclamation: "See what stores are here!"

Prophecy of Destruction of Jerusalem.

Evening, on Slope of Mount of Olives—

Parable of the "Ten Virgins."

Parable of the "Ten Talents."

Returns at night to Bethany.

WEDNESDAY

Forenoon in Bethany—

Jesus spends the day in retirement with the Apostles.

He retells His Crucifixion.

Council of Sanhedrim at palace of Caiaphas to take Jesus by subtlety and kill Him.

Judas goes to Jerusalem and agrees with chief priests to betray Jesus for thirty pieces of silver.

THURSDAY (Maundy Thursday)

Peter and John sent to Jerusalem to prepare for the Passover.

Jesus proceeds to Jerusalem toward evening.

Evening in the Upper Room in Jerusalem—

The Passover Feast with the Twelve. Ambitious contention among disciples.

Jesus gives a lesson on humility by washing disciples' feet.

Jesus foretells His betrayal.

The sop given to Judas, who goes out to prepare for the betrayal.

Jesus gives to the Apostles the "New Commandment": "That ye love one another as I have loved you."

Institutes the Lord's Supper.

Foretells Peter's denial.

Consoles His disciples with the discourse: "Let not your heart be troubled," and "I am the Vine."

Christ's Sacrificial Prayer.—St. John xvii.

They sing a hymn: second part of the "Hallel." Psalms 115-118.

Night in Gethsemane—

Jesus crosses Brook Kedron to Garden of Gethsemane.

Christ's Agony and Bloody Sweat.

Judas, accompanied by a band with torches and weapons, betrays Him with a kiss.

Peter's resistance.

Jesus' submission.

The disciples' flight.

Jesus brought before Annas.

Midnight, Palace of High Priest—

Jesus brought before Caiaphas.

Peter and John follow and enter the outer court.

Peter's first denial.

FRIDAY (Good Friday)

Between 12 and 3 a. m.; Very Early—

Peter denies Jesus second and third times.

Jesus condemned by Sanhedrim.

Judas' remorse.

Between 6 and 9 a. m.—

Jesus before Pontius Pilate.

Set before Herod and mocked.

Sent back to Pilate.

Pilate seeks to release Him.

Pilate warned by his wife.

Pilate delivers Jesus to be scourged.

The Jews not satisfied.

Pilate releases Barabbas.

Pilate delivers Jesus to the mob.

Jesus mocked, struck and spit on.

Before 9 a. m.—

Jesus hurried on toward Calvary.

The women bewail Him.

9 a. m.—

Christ Crucified at time of Morning Sacrifice.

9 to 3—

Jesus' prayer for His murderers.

Soldiers cast lots for His garments.

Jesus reviled on the Cross.

Miraculous darkness.

The repentant thief forgiven.

Christ's mother committed to St. John.

3 p. m.—

Christ dies at time of Evening Sacrifice.

Earthquake, and Veil of Temple rent in twain.

Jesus' body pierced by a spear.

Joseph of Arimathea obtains leave to bury the body.

Before 6 p. m.—

The body taken from the Cross and buried by Joseph and Nicodemus.

6 p. m.—

The first day of Christ's burial.

The women observe the place.

Hasten to buy spices before the Sabbath.

The two Marys last at the Sepulchre.

SATURDAY (Easter Even)

Second day of Jesus' burial. Sab-
batum Magnum.

Chief Priests and Pharisees appoint a
guard.

Sepulchre sealed and a watch set.

Evening—

The two Marys and Salome engage in
preparing spices to anoint the body.

END OF HOLY WEEK**SUNDAY (Easter)****CHRIST'S RESURRECTION**

Very Early in the Morning at the
Sepulchre—

A great earthquake.

An angel descends from heaven and
rolls away the stone.

Christ rises from the dead, the keepers
flying in terror.

The women come and find the sepul-
chre empty.

Mary Magdalene hastens back to the
Apostles, the others remaining.

They see the angel and depart.

Peter and John run to the sepulchre.

Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene.

Jesus meets the other women and says:
"All hail."

Evening—

Jesus walks with the two disciples and
is made known to them "in the Breaking
of the Bread."

Late in the Evening, in Jerusalem—

Jesus appears to the ten Apostles (St.
Thomas being absent) and shows them
His hands and His feet.

**THE REV. M. EWING'S BIBLE
COURSE**

The series of "Ten Talks on the
Bible," which the Rev. M. Ewing, Rector
of Gloria Dei Church, has been giving in
Christ Church on Sunday evenings, has
been concluded.

The large congregations which have
been in attendance testify the appreci-
ation of this highly instructive course of
study. It is hoped that we may have the
privilege of having Mr. Ewing with us
again at Christ Church.

The Rector is in receipt of the fol-
lowing letter of appreciation, written by
one of the Vestrymen of Christ Church,
which, by permission of the writer of the
letter, the Rector is glad to print.

March 25, 1925.

Rev. Dr. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,

Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Rector:

Let me express to you the great pleas-
ure and profit I have had in attendance
upon the course of study in the New
Testament given by the Rev. Addison A.
Ewing on Sunday evenings. It has been
a remarkably clear and concise history of
the growth of the Apostolic Church and
of the dangers which beset it. Three
things have greatly impressed me.

First: The quickening of men, long
the pupils of Jesus, with minds stored
with his words and acts, yet without
apprehension of their meaning until the
day of Pentecost. Then the wonderful
awakening of the spiritual meaning
which before were incomprehensible. I
believe there is inspiration today which
quickens the spiritually dead into lives
of service.

Second: The consideration of the
Epistle of St. Paul to Philemon more
than any other seems to me to present
the human side of the great Apostle of
the Gentiles. Standing before Agrippa
or braving the hostility of the Jewish
hierarchy, he compels admiration of his
courage; but I am convinced that it was
his knowledge of humanity and his love
for his fellows that made productive his
defense of the right, and offense against
wrongs, withstanding even Peter to his
face. His knowledge of human beings
and the way they look at things and his
sympathy for them made his words to
them, written or spoken, convincing and
effective.

The third point which especially ap-
pealed to me was the battle waged by
St. Paul for a Church catholic; his ag-
gressive warfare against Judaizing the
Church of Christ; his triumph over the
results of four centuries of study of the
law and its perversion, which had en-
slaved the spirits of men.

I wish that all of our congregation
could have heard these talks. They have
been helpful not only in the subject mat-
ter of each, but, by the relationship of
the one to the other, they offered a sug-
gestion of that orderly study of God's
word from which alone can be derived
the vision of its wonderful purpose. I
wish you would convey to Mr. Ewing the
expression of my appreciation and my
thanks.

With kind regards, I am,
Sheldon Potter.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of Hour for Sunday Morning Service

Following the precedent of last year, the hour of the Sunday morning service during the months of July and August and continuing until Sunday, September 20th (inclusive) will be at *half past ten*, instead of eleven o'clock. This change of hour will go into effect on the first Sunday in July, the 5th.

This change of hour to half past ten will bring the mid-day service to a cooler part of the day. It will also afford the scholars of the Church School the opportunity of attending the Church service. During the summer months of last year there was a large attendance on the part of the members at the Church service. A short talk will be given to the young people, preceding the sermon. The entire service will be over before noon.

The hour of the other Sunday services will remain the same—Holy Communion, every Sunday at 7.30 A. M. Shortened Form of Evening Prayer with address, 7.45 P. M.

Please remember the hour of the Mid-day Sunday Service—10.30, Daylight Saving Time, beginning Sunday morning, July 5th and continuing to Sunday, September 20th (inclusive).

The services on Week Days will be omitted during the summer months, until St. Matthew's Day, September 21st, when there will be Celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.

DANGER

A danger comes to all of us in summer time. The danger is to become careless or indifferent about our religious observances,

and especially about our Church attendance. Of course, no one who regulates his life on Christian principle will neglect his religious life in summer any more than he will in winter, but, unfortunately, all of us do not regulate our religious life on principle. Too many act according to our whims or our fancy or convenience, and, therefore, when warm weather comes we find it very easy to offer excuses for absentsing ourselves from Divine Service. The state of the weather, the distance from Church and other excuses are easily found as sufficient reasons for absence, and the conscience is lulled to sleep.

What a fearful danger befalls the man or woman when such excuses are allowed to keep them away from regular attendance at the House of God! How unspeakably sad it is to see church-men and women give way to these temptations, and to find them on Sundays, at the time they should be at worship, on the golf links, or on an automobile trip, or abandoning for some other trivial reason, the altar of God!

Golf, automobiles and other outdoor recreations are good and wholesome, and refreshment for both body and mind. *But no sane man or woman will say that these things, good as they are, are or can be substitutes for worship.* They can and do refresh the mind and body. But man is more than mind and body. He has a soul which craves and needs refreshment; and these recreations which give refreshment to mind and body are not sufficient to nourish the soul; and what shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

Let us then, my friends, beware, lest in resting our minds and bodies, during these summer months, *we starve our souls.* We must not, cannot, afford in summer to lay

aside our worship. The weary mind and the weary body need rest and refreshment and should have them. The soul, too, needs and must have refreshment, and for it there can be only one source from which it can receive nourishment and strength. "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is," says the Apostle. And our blessed Lord, Who knew the needs of all men has said: "Come unto Me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will refresh you," "Verily, verily, I say unto you except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you!"

OUR NEW ORGAN IN USE

On Whitsunday, May 31st, our new organ was used for the first time in Divine Service.

All who were present at the Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion on that day can testify to the beauty and inspiration of that wonderful service, as rendered and interpreted by this great instrument. It is no exaggeration to say that it is one of the finest instruments in the city. The people of Christ Church and of this community will appreciate this valuable adjunct in the reverent rendering of the Divine Service.

Great credit is due to all those who have made this gift to Christ Church possible. Many of the contributions have been given as "memorials to the blessed dead." In due time a bronze tablet will be cast with the names of all those in whose memory gifts have been given and will be placed on the east wall of the Church. The cost of the organ and installation is almost paid for. Only is needed to meet the full amount required.

The organ cannot be consecrated until it is paid for in full. Can we not meet this comparatively small balance before next fall? We can if everyone will do his or her part. Those who have not given will want to share with others in handing down to posterity a worthy gift. Some who have already given may wish to increase their contributions.

When, in the fall, shall we have a joyous service of consecration and thanksgiving?

Shall it not be on ALL SAINTS' DAY, NOVEMBER 1ST?

Pledge cards may be found in the vestibule of the Church and each one can help answer that question! The Rector or any member of the Organ Committee of the vestry, of which Dr. Thomas H. Carmichael is Chairman, will be pleased to hear from persons interested.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGAN

The new organ was built by the Hall Organ Company, of West Haven, Conn., and represents the latest developments in the organ building art.

It is an instrument of three manuals and pedals, each keyboard being tilted at a different angle, to meet the natural position of the arms and wrists of the performer—an unique feature—which allows great ease of manipulation.

Each of the four divisions contains not only ample foundation, or "diapason" tone, but all the essential tone colors for proper balance and orchestral effects.

Particular attention is drawn to the characteristic "strings" and flutes, throughout the entire instrument.

And the reeds play a prominent part in the ensemble and variety of combinations. In addition to the usual corneopoean, oboe, clarinet and vox humana, are the 16 and 8 ft. tubas in the great organ, and the 16 and 8 ft. trombone and tromba in the swell and pedal organs, which produce a wonderful grandeur and climax to the full organ.

In the swell organ, the combination of the viol celeste and Unda Maris produces the symphonic effect, so seldom attained in the pipe organ.

The chimes and harp—instruments only recently perfected for the pipe organ—appeal to the critical ear because of their delicacy and character.

Mechanically, the organ contains all the most recent accessories for the convenience of the organist. Every movement in the instrument is controlled electrically, which insures prompt response and perfect repetition.

The console, placed on the opposite side of the chancel from the organ, is connected to it by an electric cable containing hundreds of wires, leading to every pipe and part of the organ, in as

intricate a manner as the nerves of the body.

In the console the stops are controlled by ivory knobs, arranged in convenient rows, upon oblique cheeks, facing the organist at a natural angle.

And these knobs can be manipulated not only individually by hand, but also in groups, as desired by the organist, by means of adjustable combination pistons, placed below each row of keys, so that the performer, by a simple touch of the thumb or finger, may throw off or on any group of stops he may select.

Then, too, are the crescendo and sforzando pedals, with which the organist can, with his foot, control the power of the entire instrument, from the softest effect to full organ.

In the console there is a total of sixty-seven stops, including couplers.

There are about three thousand pipes in the organ, varying in length from 16ft. to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch, made up of tin, lead, zinc, wood and brass. These varying materials and sizes are essential to produce the many tonal effects needed for church and orchestral requirements. In this organ will be found every tone color of a large orchestra, in addition to those peculiar to a pipe organ only. There is also a set of chimes, consisting of twenty-five bells and a harp of forty-nine notes.

The organ is one of the finest in Philadelphia, and contains numerous mechanical accessories, such as couplers, balanced pedals and adjustable combinations, which appear only in the latest type of the "king of instruments."

The wind for the organ is supplied by an electric fan blower which insures an ample and perfectly steady supply of wind at all times, the flow of wind being controlled automatically.

The specifications of the organ were designed in conjunction with the organist of Christ Church, Owen J. W. Burness, and the results undoubtedly show careful thought and study on the part of an expert.

ORGAN RECITAL BY MR. RALPH KINDER

The formal opening of our new organ will take place on Thursday Evening, June 11th at 8 o'clock in an Organ Recital

by Mr. Ralph Kinder, Organist of Holy Trinity Church, assisted by Miss Dorothy Pierce, Vocalist.

Mr. Ralph Kinder is one of Philadelphia's most distinguished organists and a musical treat will be afforded as he brings out the various qualities and possibilities of our new instrument.

A silver offering will be taken to defray expenses.

A LEGACY FOR CHRIST CHURCH

By the will of the late Miss Sarah A. King, Christ Church has been left a legacy of \$500.00. The vestry at the meeting held on Easter Tuesday voted that this legacy be added to the Endowment Fund of the Parish.

Miss King was one of the oldest members of Christ Church, having been confirmed under the first Rector of the Parish, the Rev. A. B. Atkins. Until she was confined to her home by illness and the weakness of old age, she was regular in her attendance at the services and generous in the support of the work of the Parish. She was 82 years of age at her death.

The Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, who had charge of the service at Christ Church last year, during the month of July, will be in charge again this year during the same month.

The Rev. Philip Sidney Irwin, Chaplain of the Church Home at Chestnut Hill will be in charge during the month of August. The services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time, if word is left with the sexton at the Parish House, or they may be reached by telephone. Rev. Mr. Goodman's telephone number is "Holmesburg 1428 J." The number of Mr. Irwin is "Wyoming 6948 R."

The next issue of the "Chimes" will be in September. All Parish Societies will be expected to announce their plans for the fall and winter's work in that issue.

—Two handsome Prayer Books for use at the Altar were presented to Christ Church on Easter Day in memory of Philip E. and Emily Washburn Richards. The books were the gifts of their daughters.



"THANK YOU, SO MUCH! WE ARE OFF FOR THE COUNTRY!"

POOR CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 21st. It will cost \$8.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small, dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give; and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the less for-

tunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

The amount received last year from the members of Christ Church for the Poor Children's Outing Fund was \$205.00. This was divided among the "Children's Country Week Association," the "Union Settlement House," the "Bedford Street Mission" and the "Episcopal City Mission," organizations which are doing social work among the poor of our city.

The following letters, received by the Rector, will show how highly the contributions of Christ Church people were appreciated by the organizations through which these poor children were sent last summer into the country or to the seashore for a week or ten days:

Philadelphia Protestant
Episcopal Mission.
May 28th, 1925.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

For several summers past the good friends of Christ Church, Germantown, have filled little lives with sunshine and happiness and little bodies with health and strength by sending a generous con-

tribution to the Outing Fund of the City Mission. Their gifts helped make it possible to send little folks to the shore and country.

Last year you sent us \$90.00.

We wonder if we dare to expect a like contribution this year. If we are sure, then we can begin making our arrangements for our guests. We always like to let them know ahead of time, because they have almost as much fun anticipating the outing as they do when the day actually arrives for them to leave the hot dusty city behind them.

I am looking forward as eagerly for your reply as are my little friends.

Please don't disappoint us; we are really and truly anxious to have our Christ Church friends say "yes."

With the hope that every one of you will have a pleasant vacation, I am as always

Faithfully yours,

H. Cresson McHenry.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Germantown.

GRACE UNION SETTLEMENT HOUSE
1032 Federal St., Phila.
July 19, 1924.

Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Arndt,
Germantown, Pa.,

Dear Dr. Arndt:

Your favor enclosing check from Christ Church for the purpose of sending some of our poor children to the country is received. I thank you most sincerely for it. Only those who work all through the year with this class of people know what an outing such as you help us to provide for them really means.

Today a poor mother came to my office to see me. She had scarcely entered before she began weeping bitterly. Upon speaking with her I discovered that her husband had been out of work for a long time and they were practically starving. I was able to relieve her present distress so far as food, clothing and shoes were concerned.

Your check had just come in that morning. I felt it was God sent. So I set to work at once and have arranged to send this poor woman and her two children to the country for at least a week. I know that the fresh air and the good food they

will get there will build them up greatly. The woman is a good Christian and worthy of anything we can do for her.

Another dear little girl who has just lost her mother, was taken to the country by her aunt. She had never seen the green fields and when she stepped from the car and saw nature's beautiful green carpet before her, she rushed from the Aunt, caught the grass in her hands, squeezed it and patted it and pressed her little feet upon it. It was some time before they could get her away. We who have always enjoyed the beauties of nature can scarcely understand that the child would go into such raptures over the little blades of grass.

In a little back alley in a ramshackle old house lives a dear good woman and her two little daughters. She has suffered much but is always thanking God for her many blessings. I fear many would fail to see them if they were in her place. When I told her that she and her little girls could go to the country for ten days she said: "Oh thank God! I am so glad!"

I should like to tell you of others but I do not feel I should take more of your valuable time. I wanted you to know how much we appreciate your gift and what a blessing it is to others.

Sincerely yours,
ANNIE M. MILLER,
Superintendent.

THE CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK ASSO.
Wesley, Bldg., 1701 Arch St., Phila.
May 28, 1925.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.
Christ Church Rectory,
Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.,
Philadelphia.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

The Children's Country Week Association wishes to extend to Christ Episcopal Church of Germantown cordial thanks for their generous contribution of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) during the past summer. This contribution provided a happy week for five little children out in the country where green fields, cool, fresh breezes and wholesome food helped to build up their little bodies. If you could have seen the difference in them on their return, you would have been amply repaid for any sacrifice that had been made to raise the amount. The deeper good which was ac-

complished in presenting to them the vision of a better life, only the eye of faith can see, and the reward for that will not come in this life. Many stories we hear assure us of the lasting benefits that have been received.

As you no doubt know, the full amount of your contribution is applied directly to the child's vacation. An invested fund provided sufficient interest to take care of all our overhead expenses, so that we are proud to be able to say truthfully that 100% of all contributions received each summer goes directly to the child.

Hoping that you will encourage us by continuing your interest, and expressing our appreciation for your kindness in past years, I remain

Cordially yours,

Laura Baker Miller Blithe
(Mrs. Wesley Leshar Blithe)
President.

THE BEDFORD STREET MISSION
619 Kater Street, Philadelphia

May 27, 1925.

The Rev. Chas. H. Arndt,
59 W. Tulpehocken Street,
Gtn., Phila., Penna.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to take this opportunity to express to you and through you to your Congregation, our deep appreciation of the interest you have shown in our work among the needy in the neighborhood of our Mission, and of the great help your contributions of various kinds have been to us.

Through the generosity of our many friends, we have been enabled to increase, somewhat, our City work, during the past year, but we still have opportunity to do much more if we had more funds.

We are now planning to open our Country Home between Clementon and Berlin, New Jersey, for the months of July and August, to furnish a much needed vacation in the country to such children of our Mission as would otherwise not have any similar opportunities.

We trust that as we press on in our work of relieving distress, and helping to make better citizens of the children of our City's poor, we may continue to merit your prayers, as well as the material assistance

which, through God's blessings, you may be able to extend to us.

Faithfully yours,
WM. T. LLEWELLYN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Easter Carol service was one of the most successful we have had. The singing was unusually good and we had a very interesting talk by Rev. Charles E. Spalding. A remembrance was given to the following scholars for faithful attendance:

10 year class—Mrs. Baisbrown.

6 year class—Elizabeth Haas.

5 year class—Martha McHenry, Nancy Courtney and Mary Keenan.

4 year class—Josephine Wright, John Hanan, Howard Logan, Anna Bradley, Mary Johnson and James Osborne.

3 year class—Margaret Boyer, Allen Fermier, Jas. Carmint, Jr., Marjorie Wismer, Jean Gilfillan, Helen Jackson, Graham Kink, Frank Stryke, Alberta Wright and Robert Klink.

2 year class—May James, Thomas Hodge, Anna Johnson, Harry Fermier, Florence Osborne and Marjorie Stryke.

1 year class—Ruth Fitch, George Johnson, Gerard Meusing, Clarence Fay, Beatrice Johnson, Elizabeth Bose, Helen Logan, Jane Courtney, Corrine Bose, John Courtney and Jean Fitch.

It is interesting that the unbroken record of these scholars adds up to 127 years and 11 Sundays, a wonderful record. Last year's record was 95 years and 32 Sundays.

The following scholars were promoted from the Primary Dept. to the Main School:

Ruth Carmint, Harriet Fitch, Katherine Greenwood, Jean Hayhurst, Ann Hindemeyer, Alice Kelley, Margaret Lehman, Jane Pratt, Louis Bloom, Robt. McHenry, Sherman Rambo, Richard Seitz.

Our Easter offering for Missions was \$965.00 and is the largest our school has ever given, \$132 more than last year and nearly reached our goal of \$1,000. It was only possible by every one doing something, that is by working or making some sacrifice during Lent. The total of our mite boxes was \$629.26 of which the Primary Department gave over \$73.00.

The Men's Bible Class \$150.00 and the balance from the Main School and from the offering at our Easter Carol Service. Then the School gave a Fair in Easter Week which brought up the total to \$965.00.

About fifty of our school went to the Annual Presentation Service in Holy Trinity Church on May 10th and took our offering with them.

June 28th will be the last session of the School in the Parish House and on July 5th we will attend church service the same as in past years at 10.30. The Rev. Mr. Goodman will again be here for the month of July and I know we will all be glad to see him again. The Rev. Mr. Irwin will be the supply during August. Both of these clergymen are very "happy" in addressing young people, and we are sure that the scholars will be greatly interested in their short addresses at the morning services.

Rainy Day will be the third Sunday in September which is the 20th. Let us bear this in mind and all come back to school at 9.45 on that day, ready for another year's work.

Your Superintendent wishes you all a happy summer.

R. H. M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The first part of our work for the year is over. We have succeeded in finishing up the allotment of sewing and some knitting has been accomplished for our missionary work. Our monthly meetings have been fairly well attended and the reports from our delegates have been unusually interesting.

The income derived from the cake sales held on the last Saturday in each month has started us well on the way towards our anticipated goal of \$500. We have on hand nearly \$100. These cake sales will continue through the summer. We are planning a motion picture benefit in the near future. In the Autumn we expect to hold a rummage sale. May we beg the people of Christ Church to save for us any cast-off articles, as we cannot have a rummage sale without the rummage. I would like to express my appreciation for the help many women of the Parish have given us in the past and hope they will continue to be with us when we start our winter's work.

L. M. R.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL SERVICE LEAGUE

The Church School Service League, composed of children of the Church School, has held weekly meetings for work on Fridays, the average attendance 14, enrollment 30.

Before Christmas boxes of Christmas gifts were prepared for St. Phillip's Normal and Industrial School, San Antonio, Texas, and Epiphany Mission, Summer-ville, S. C.

During January and February scrap-books were made for hospitals in the city.

Throughout the Lenten season in addition to attending the Children's Service on Thursday afternoons, the members of the Church School Service League took the Course on China prepared for use throughout the Church.

The last meeting of the season will be held on Friday, June 5th at 4 o'clock. All girls who have attended the meetings are asked to be present.

We are already planning our work for next year.

The first work in the fall will be the preparing of Christmas gifts, one "joyful" and one "useful" for twenty-four children in China and thirty-six children in the missions in our own country.

In addition we have pledged \$2.00, which we have in our treasury, to Japan.

It is hoped that we may have a much larger number taking an active part in the work of the Church School Service League next year.

L. B.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

The interesting series of Bible lessons given every Sunday morning, has terminated, as Colonel Potter will be absent until the autumn.

The usual class meetings will continue, however, until the end of June, and special teachers will be with us each week. During July and August we will join the Sunday School in its services in the Church, and all members are cordially invited to continue their attendance.

Due announcement will be made of the opening date of the class in the fall. Needless to say, we hope to have Colonel Potter with us again next season.

R. J. L.

WOMEN'S UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Presentation service of the United Thank Offering was held Thursday, April 23rd, at 10:30 A. M. in Old Christ Church, Phila. The day and setting for the service were ideal, and there was not an empty pew in the church. I am sorry there were not more representatives from our own parish present (2). Your treasurer was most happy to be one of these present and also to be able to place on the plate an offering of \$81.44 from the women of Christ Church, Germantown, which was a splendid offering, but only from 29 women which is a very small percentage. Included in the \$81.44 was \$12.97 from the Mother's Meeting, which was a very fine offering. As the goal for the triennial, Oct. 1st, at New Orleans, is \$100,000 to be given by the State of Pennsylvania as a memorial to the late Mrs. George C. Thomas, please keep your blue boxes in a prominent place and be sure to count your blessings. If every woman gives something, be it small or large, we can do much better in October.

E. L. H.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

As Tuesday, May the twenty-sixth, was the last meeting before dispersing for the summer we should like to remind our friends, who have so kindly helped us in many ways, of some things which have been accomplished during the past winter.

Our contribution to the Organ Fund of one hundred dollars as the result of the Bazaar in November was the largest single achievement. From gifts of pieces of cloth from our friends we have been able to have woven and have sold about twenty rag rugs. Tea towels and aprons are always for sale, shoe bags and laundry bags, wash clothes and towels help to keep our treasury in a satisfactory financial state. We are contributing members of the Needle Work Guild and are planning for a large contribution of garments and of money for the Autumn.

At the last meeting it was proposed that we have a day's outing at Willow Grove in the Summer, the date to be decided upon later, notices of which will be mailed to all members in due time.

As a last word we wish to express our great appreciation of the interest and as-

istance given us by Dr. Arndt's weekly talks, and the assistance given by Mrs. Rowley, Mrs. Eckersly and Mrs. Alonzo Smith.

A. M. M.

ALTAR GUILD

The committees on duty during the summer months will be as follows:

June 5th to 12th: Misses Dean, Crowder, McHenry.

June 12th to 19th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Stryke, Higginbotham.

June 19th to 26th: Misses Chase, Smith, Wertsner.

June 26th to July 3rd: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

July 3rd to 10th: Misses Dean, Crowder, McHenry.

July 10th to 17th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Stryke, Higginbotham.

July 17th to 24th: Misses Chase, Smith, Wertsner.

July 24th to 31st: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

August 1st to 7th: Misses Dean, Crowder, McHenry.

August 7th to 14th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Stryke, Higginbotham.

August 14th to 21st: Misses Chase, Smith, Wertsner.

August 21st to 28th: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

It will be greatly appreciated if any members of the Parish, who have gardens will send flowers for the Altars.

G. M. E.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The following is a resumé of the activities of the Branch for the year 1924 and 1925.

May 4th, 1924—A Membership service was held in the Church when 14 girls were received into full membership and presented with the G. F. S. Pin.

May 29th—A play written by one of our members—"Twas Ever Thus" was given in the Parish House—proceeds to finance our Treasury.

June 4th—A Diocesan Garden Party was held at the Germantown Cricket Grounds. Our Branch in connection with St. Luke's took charge of the sandwich table. The returns from the Garden Party were divided between a Bryn Mawr Scholarship—which is given to one of the members of the Diocese, chosen by vote—

and the White Williams Foundation. Branch disbanded for the summer after this party.

October 7th—Season opened with a Mother and Daughter Banquet—about 50 Mothers and Daughters sat down at the table.

October 28th—A dance was given by the Branch.

November 10th—Neighborhood Conference at St. Luke's—Supper, Recreation and Service—Offering for Bontoc Scholarship. This Branch was represented by 17 members and associates, their offering was \$3.10.

December—Christmas stocking filled with toys, candy and fruit for the Children of the Philadelphia General Synod—value \$8.50 Christmas basket with food and toys carried by the members to a family of seven—Value \$13.40.

December 29th—Party for the children of the Haines Street Settlement House, gift for each child.

February 20th, 1925—A Skit given in the Parish House by our "Branch" to raise our quota for 1924—\$37.50 for the National Memorial Centre at Washington to commemorate the 50th anniversary in 1928 of the Girl's Friendly Society in America.

April 14th, 1925—Easter baskets taken to our family of seven by the girls.

April 17th—Easter present taken to our new Baby member. Our Lenten work amounting to \$18.75 was for Southern Mountaineers.

April 23rd—Annual Meeting at Holy Trinity Church—exhibition of Lenten work in the Parish House—six of our Branch present. Flowers were sent to our sick members as well as those in distress.

June 6th—The Garden Party will be given at the Germantown Cricket Club. To be divided between National Centre fund and the White Williams Foundation.

The Neighborhood Conference next fall will be held at Christ Church November 10th, our Branch being the Hostesses.

During the winter we had several travel talks by friends in the Parish and neighboring Parishes as well as one by our Rector which we all enjoyed very much. We are looking forward to a big year beginning October 6th with great hopes for an enlarged membership, more Associates

more Parochial interest, and more general intelligence as to what is meant by THE GIRL'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

L. J. J.

OUR BOY SCOUT TROOP

Have you stood recently on Belmont Plateau where the fields of Fairmount Park fade away in the Schuylkill below and the distant sky line beyond is saw-toothed with big buildings? If you have, you will agree that Philadelphia is growing by leaps and bounds. Not only has it become difficult to cross Chestnut at 15th but it has also become well nigh impossible to cross Main at Cheltenham Avenue.

Like the slow irresistible onward push of some great glaciers this town is moving upward and outward—and to those of us who live in Germantown there is evidence on every side that the growth is not missing us by a jug full.

To care for this growth not many new churches will be erected. The old churches will prosper as population crowds in towards the open doors.

For example take our Boy Scout Troop. Of course, it is a good troop—one boy comes three miles, others come over five miles to attend it—the dominating factor, however, in its growth is the same commercial and population increase that has become so marked in Philadelphia. New boys grow up or move into our neighborhood and the world wide reputation of Scouting coupled with the natural boy urge to join the best "gang" that he can find brings dozens of these boys to Troop 153. The Troop is full of and fairly bursting with numerical prosperity. Nevertheless we shall be delighted to become acquainted with new boys of the better sort or of the poorer sort; that makes little difference to us, for given time our Troop can soon make any boy into the better sort. We can point to many a case of vast improvement. The call of the wild the hunger for Scout instruction and the desire in every boy's breast to keep himself "morally straight"—if these influences are given fair play they will do wonders. The "rough neck" from the gutter and the mamby pamby sissy fresh from Mother's apron string soon find a democratic level in a Scout troop and it does them both good.

Incidentally, Scouting helps men who enter its "Aristocracy of Merit." Why not join our Scout Fathers' Association! It is doing things for the Troop; Mr. A. S. Hull, Chairman. Consult him for assignment to duty.

So much for the present from Troop 153. Meets in Christ Church Parish House every Monday night. The Troop that progresses. Gratefully enjoying the patronage of Christ Church.

GEO. I. BODINE, JR.,
Scoutmaster.

SHALL WE STAND OF FALL?

BY THE REV. W. L. DAVIS

Not long ago one of my people asked me why it was that a certain priest at the presentation of the offering raised the plate above his head. I replied that I did not know, unless it was that he wished to demonstrate to the congregation that its offering was not so heavy but what he could lift it or that, perhaps, he wanted to get it up where God could see it.

I have been in attendance upon services where it took two wardens, two vestrymen and an acolyte, the assistant minister, the Rector and a Bishop to get the offering (?) up onto the altar, while the congregation and the choir vied with one another in singing: "All things come of Thee, O Lord," or "Holy Offerings, rich and rare."

That reminds me of a true story. A number of years ago, when elaborate "presentations" came in vogue, an elderly priest of the Church was officiating in one of the then "up to date" churches, and at the time of the presentation of the alms the choir sang, with great gusto, the aforementioned "All things come of Thee, O Lord."

During the performance the old priest scowling at the plate, and as the choir finished he turned to the congregation with the remark, "Big fuss to make over forty-three cents!"

But seriously, is it not about time that we hear again that much needed offertory sentence: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

And for a season—say, until our every parish debt is paid and until our missionary apportionment is met in full—would presentation of our offering, that priest

and people alike fall on our knees, with the petition on our lips, "God have mercy on our stingy souls?"

BAPTIZED

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

April

5—Harry Allen Fermier
5—Allen Lee Fermier
5—Thomas John Hodge
5—Doris Alberta Yearsley
5—Thomas Kenneth Yearsley
26—Edward Thomas Tonill, Jr.

May

10—Horace Michener Crothamel, Jr.
17—Barbara Wiltbank
24—Gordon Stanley Binns

CONFIRMED

"Defend, O Lord this Thy Servant with Thy heavenly grace; that he (or she) may continue Thine forever; and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more until he (or she) come unto Thy heavenly Kingdom. Amen."

Anna Bella Bradley
John Forrest Byers
Thomas Charles Carter
Margaret Amelia Dillon
Allen Lee Fermier
Harry Allen Fermier
Carence Allan Foy
Ethel Collins Greenwood
Margaretta Roberts Hallock
Thomas John Hodge
Bradford Francis Hull
Leila Virginia Kirchmier
David Kelly
Granville Klink, Jr.
William Howard Logan
Helen Irene Logan
Richard Elmar Mahony
Elizabeth Crowl Ma'ony
Elizabeth Miriam Melville
Edmund John Tvler
Lillian Alenza Wigglesworth
Doris Alberta Yearsley
Thomas Kenneth Yearsley.

MARRIED

"Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

April 4—John Brown Middleton
Mary Edwina Hilsee
April 25—Aldrich Clements Crowl
Sylvia Vail Sutcliffe

BURIED

"Looking for the general Resurrection and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

April 24—Elizabeth C. Schneider.
May 18—Miriam L. Wynne
May 28—John W. Giltors

A NEW QUARTER-LAY

The following "classic" has been handed to the "Chimes" for publication. It is dedicated by the author to the reader.

A Quarter is a small amount;
On week-days I'm of small account;
On week-days I can't buy a steak,
Nor at the baker's get a cake;
Can't buy my way into a show,
Nor riding in a taxi go,
In short, on week-days I'm neglected;
By no one, then, am I respected.

On Sundays though, oh bliss! Oh joy!
I am the swellest thing, my boy!
In Church, as I come down the aisle,
I never can repress a smile;
For then I have the highest seat
In the Upper Room where Christians meet:
Where one expects the Saint and Martyr,
Lo, there am I, the lowly Quarter.
R. E. B.

THE SUMMER CONFERENCES

That the summer conferences for the training of Church workers met a long felt need has been shown from their very beginning.

The laity, both men and women, old and young are availing themselves in greater numbers every year of the opportunity these conferences afford of "training for leadership."

The first conference was held at Cambridge, Mass., some fifteen years ago. There are now about twenty such conferences held each summer in various parts of the country.

We in Pennsylvania are fortunate in being within a comparatively short distance of several of these conferences.

The Conference for Church Work at Wellesley, Mass., will be this summer from June 22 to July 2.

The Summer School for Church Workers at Princeton, N. J., July 6th to July

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The Summer School for Church workers at Geneva, N. Y., July 6th to 17th.

It is hoped that several members of Christ Church Parish may attend these conferences.

Any persons desiring information in regard to the conferences may apply to Miss Bell, 6112 Baynton St., Telephone Ger. 7303.

NOTICE TO ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

It would be a great favor to the Warden and a great benefit to the church if the subscribers through the envelope system, who intend to be away during the summer, will kindly pay in advance before they leave Germantown, the amount of their subscription for the Sundays they expect to be absent. The expenses of the parish have to be met regularly and promptly during the summer months as well as during the winter, and when parishioners leave their weekly subscriptions unpaid for a length of time the Warden who depends upon these payments to meet the expenses of the parish, is compelled to borrow money from the bank and pay interest thereon.

THE COMMISSION ON TEACHER TRAINING

announces the opening of the Fall Term of the Church Normal School on Thursday, October 8th, 1925, in the Church House.

Three groups of classes will be held at 5.15, 6.45 and 7.45 P. M., offering courses helpful to all teachers of American Church Sunday School Lessons and Christian Nurture Series.

Supper will be served at 6.10 P. M. A "popular lecture" course will be given at 8.45 P. M.

Please reserve TEN Thursdays, commencing October 8th.

Have our School well represented. Enroll yourself. Bring others. Cost: One Dollar for each course of ten lessons. Supper fifty cents.

Detailed Prospectus will be issued in September.

For the Commission,
FREDERICK E. SEYMOUR, Chairman.

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Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily

The Rector's Office Hours 6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

November 1st All Saints' Day.
November 8th Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
November 15th Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
November 22nd Sunday next before Advent.
November 26th Thanksgiving Day.
November 29th First Sunday in Advent.
November 30th St. Andrew.

THE CONVENTION AND CHURCH PAPERS

As the "Chimes" goes to the press the forty-eighth Triennial Convention of the Church is being held in the City of New Orleans. It is impossible, at this writing, to give our readers an adequate account of what has been and is being done at this important gathering of the representatives, both clerical and lay, of the Church.

I have suggested to the members of our Congregation that they subscribe to one of the general Church papers the "Living Church," the "Churchman," or the "Witness," for the period, at least, of the session of the General Convention. It is most important that the members of the Church should have a full and intelligent understanding of the affairs pertaining to the Church, and this cannot be had by reading the daily papers, which are often distorted and misleading in their reports. Bacon, in one of his essays has said, "Reading maketh a full man, conversation a ready man and writing an exact man." Many are very "ready" to talk about things religious and ecclesiastical, but few there are who speak from a full possession of

facts or an exact understanding of conditions.

Without the reading of, at least, one of the above mentioned general Church papers, and in addition thereto, of that wonderful Church periodical, "The Spirit of Missions," no member can intelligently understand the conditions and problems of the Church or discuss or "talk" about them.

It is encouraging to learn that there is an increasing number of persons in the Parish who are subscribing to and are regularly reading a general Church paper.

"A friend" has subscribed and paid for a number of copies of the "Witness" for a period of two months, extending over and beyond the time of the meeting of the General Convention.

The "Witness" is published weekly and copies of the paper may be found in the vestibule of the Church each Sunday for gratuitous distribution.

A NEW VOLUME

With this issue of the "Chimes" ends the twenty-fifth volume or consecutive year of its publication. This is a long life for a Parish paper. The members of the Parish have come to take its regular appearance a matter of course. We fear that many do not realize the amount of labor and expense it entails. However, if its publication were to be discontinued it would be very generally and greatly regretted. Its continued publication depends upon the financial help of the members of the Congregation.

All previous subscriptions expire with this number. Will not the members of the Parish send at once their subscrip-

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tions and contributions to Mr. Frederick Lennig, 316 High Street, Germantown!

BEGINNING THIS FALL

Now that vacation days are ended, I hope to see all members of Christ Church regularly in their places in the House of God. I trust that each one of us is taking up his life's work again this fall with higher ideals and nobler purposes. The world is calling, as it never called before, for true, unselfish, consecrated men and women. The source of all truth, all unselfish, consecrated service is Christ, and the Church instituted by Christ, is the means the channel by which and through which His life and His power are conveyed. "Without Me," says Christ, "ye can do nothing."

Let us remember this, my friends, and let each one of us resolve this fall to be more regular in our religious duties, more faithful in our Communion, more unselfish and more zealous in our Christian work. I most earnestly pray—yes, let all of us most earnestly pray—that God's Holy Spirit may come with power into each life in this Parish, to arouse the indifferent, to strengthen the weak, to give patience and courage to the faithful that all may be filled more and more with the love of Christ and with the joy of service.

There is one thing that every member can do—that everyone should do—and that is to be a home missionary, to invite and try to influence persons in your neighborhood to attend your Church. There is one member in this Parish who has interested a score of persons in Christ Church and Sunday School. There are others to whom, perhaps, has never occurred the thought that they had the least responsibility of sharing their religion with their neighbor. What a blessing it would bring, both to themselves and to others, if they were alive to this responsibility!

Let every member of Christ Church, therefore, resolve this fall to share with others their religious privileges. Let every member of Christ Church make the following resolution: "I resolve that

beginning now, I will make an effort each week to bring at least one person in my neighborhood to Church with me."

Every member can, at least, try to do this much.

By persistent effort and by prayer miracles follow!

ALL SAINTS' DAY

The services on All Saints' Day—November 1st—will be Holy Communion, 7.30 and 11.00 A. M. At the latter service there will be a sermon by the Rector and the names of those who have entered into life eternal during the past year will be read from the chancel and prayer will be said in behalf of the blessed dead. Flowers on the Altar on that day will be "in memory," given by those who desire to send them. After the service they will be sent to the sick in the Parish.

The dead in Christ are not far from us. By this is not meant any false spiritualism, any physical nearness or sound, or sight or touch. That would be only to restore what is most imperfect, and what death was meant to end.

The nearness is that of the deeper, hidden bands which bind the souls of them that love Him together in the Lord Jesus Christ. The body is resting in the grave, but the soul is with Christ. He has drawn it to Himself in a closer union, has poured fuller graces upon it, has washed it in His own blood. It is one with Him in a fuller, deeper sense than ever before. The soul, too, must be gaining in all spiritual powers; it must be growing in love, in humility, in every spiritual grace.

It is surely right to think that it remembers those it loved on earth; that it prays for them; that it is fuller of abounding grace, and worships the eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, as it never worshipped here. And, therefore, in proportion as one on earth grows nearer to Christ he must be growing nearer to his loved ones, who are with Christ in Paradise.

They who are in Christ are also very near to one another in Him; He is their

meeting place. The departed is on one side the veil, the living on the other—that is all. Just as when two who love one another here are parted, and hear that they can meet, they hurry as quickly as possible to the place appointed, even so will the mourner try to draw near to the one taken away, by prayer, by good works, by patience, by gentle cheerfulness, and, above all, to “the trysting place of the soul,” the Holy Communion. Whosoever Christ is, there the dead in Christ must be. Thus it is that there must be deep and invisible bonds binding the holy living to the holy dead in Him.

Dr. James DeKoven tells us in his book, entitled, “Inheritance of the Saints,” they are not “dead.” They are living and are awaiting us in Paradise. The reason of man teaches, and Holy Scriptures confirm it, that we shall know one another in that blessed land. We must believe that the dearest ties we have on earth, the things that most lead us unto God, have their fruition in Heaven—not in an earthly way, but divested of all that is weak and poor and frail in them, in a transfigured glory. All our heart and thought and feeling will indeed center in Christ, but these blessed ties will be the steps to the throne on which He sits. In loving any member in His mystical body, we shall only love Him the more who is the Head of it. Thus father and son, mother and daughter, husband and wife, friend with friend, one in Christ, will still be one with each other. Somehow in this world family ties, if they bind the members of the family closely together, serve also to separate the family in that degree, from the rest of the world. In the other life, there will be all the union and none of the separation. The one family of Christ, however much all earthly bonds may find in it their blessed fulfillment, will know no separation, and yet each earthly tie on which God has set the seal of His blessing, will have its distinct place in the eternal oneness.

Thus as we here on earth, seek to draw near to God each step will bring us closer to the soul at rest with God, until at last the veil shall be lifted, and we shall be together with them, one in

Christ, even as Christ is one with the Father.

Lord, where Thou art our Holy Dead must be.

Unpierced, as yet, the Sacramental mist;

But we are nearest them and nearest Thee

At solemn Eucharist.

O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee.

For those who made the earthly home so fair;

How little we may know, how little see, Only—that Thou art there.

Dear hands unclasped from ours are clasping Thee;

Thou holdest us for ever in Thy Heart;

So close the One Communion—are we In very truth, apart?

Lord, where Thou art our happy Dead must be;

And if with Thee, what then their boundless bliss!

Till faith be sight; and Hope, reality; Love's Anchorage is this.

MEMORIAL ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Society has charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the Altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years, and any in the Parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this “Memorial List” are invited to consult with the Rector, and he will be pleased to assign to them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their “Blessed Dead.” After the Sunday Service the flowers are sent to the sick in the Parish or to Hospitals.

On the “days of remembrance” it will be comforting to come to God's House and in His presence recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have “loved long since and lost awhile”; to kneel before the Altar and to feel their nearness and unite with them and all

God's saints in one common worship—“knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord.”

Persons who wish to have a Sunday for “memorial flowers” may apply to any member of the Altar Guild or to the Rector. Cards, bearing the names of those in whose memory the flowers are given, should always accompany the flowers.

A SERVICE OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

I wish to call attention to the members of Christ Church and others living in this vicinity to the Service of Evening Prayer which is held in Christ Church on Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock.

At this service special intercessory prayer is made on behalf of persons in physical, mental or spiritual need.

Persons who wish special intercessions on their behalf or on behalf of friends are asked to notify the Rector. He may be seen in the Sacristy of the Church half hour before this service on Friday afternoons.

DO WE BELIEVE IN PRAYER

Somebody asked us if we believe in prayer. They might ask if we believe in breathing. A Christian without prayer would be worse than a bird without wings. Prayer! Thank God for prayer for the hundreds of promises which encourage prayer, the answers to prayers recorded in the Bible and for the experiences of the saints of God, which prove that God answers prayer. The first thing we remember in our life is prayer. In the earliest childhood prayer in child-like faith was enjoyed, and through the many years of a Christian life prayer has been the refuge and the delight. To cultivate a constant spirit and attitude of prayer ought to be the aim of every child of God. As we move about, work or rest the heart may be in His presence.

And we believe in the prayer of intercession. Praying one for another and for all the Saints is a blessed privilege. It is one of the joys of our Christian

life, to pray for our beloved ones by name and we are conscious that many of God's people mention us before the throne of Grace.

And may we pray for our beloved ones who are with Jesus in Paradise? Certainly! It is comforting to learn that at the last General Convention of our Church, provision was made, in the new revision of our Prayer Book, for prayers for the departed. We all, who have lost loved ones for whom we prayed whilst they were with us on earth, cannot cease our prayers for them, now that they are no longer with us in the flesh. They are still close to us when we are in Communion with Jesus. Why should we not pray for them? Our hearts cannot help going out to them and for them in prayer. And they!—surely they, who loved us here, and prayed for us love us still and are praying for us now, that they are in the fuller presence of Jesus.

Tennyson beautifully expresses this thought:

“How can I cease to pray for thee? Somewhere

In God's great universe thou art today. Can He not reach thee with His tender care? Can He not hear me when for thee I pray? What matters it to Him who holds within

The hollow of His hand all worlds, all space.

That thou art done with earthly pain and sin?

Somewhere within His ken thou hast a place.

Somewhere thou livest, and hast need of Him;

Somewhere thy soul sees higher heights to climb;

And somewhere still, there may be valleys dim

That thou must pass, to reach the hills sublime.

Then all the more because thou canst not hear

Poor human words of blessing will I pray—O true, brave heart! God bless thee! where-so'er

In His great universe thou art today!”

CONSECRATION OF OUR NEW ORGAN

While we are endeavoring through a series of recitals to have the public appreciate the worth of our new organ,

we must not lose sight of the fact that we desire at the earliest possible date to have it formally consecrated.

Before this can take place, it must be entirely paid for. In addition to all the payments that have been made and all the pledges that are yet to be paid, there will be about nine hundred dollars that must be raised. This is a very small amount compared with the entire cost of the organ. There are many in the Congregation who have not yet subscribed to the Organ Fund and there are some who might be willing to increase the subscriptions which they have previously made, so that this comparatively small balance may be realized. Shall we not have a quick response so that our organ may be considered from an ecclesiastical point of view as without blemish—an integral part of God's House?

T. H. C.

MONTHLY ORGAN RECITALS FIRST SUNDAY EVENING EACH MONTH

The next organ recital on the new Hall organ of Christ Church will be given on Sunday evening, November 1st (All Saints' Day), at 7.45 o'clock.

An exceptionally fine programme will be presented.

Frank Haenle, formerly organist of St. Mary's Church, New York City, will be the organist.

Mr. Haenle is well known in Philadelphia musical circles and has been heard at the organs of many of our Churches.

He will be assisted by his sister, Florence Haenle, Violinist.

Miss Haenle is the Concertmaster of the Woman's Symphony Orchestra and is one of our most distinguished Violinists.

The Vocalist will be Elizabeth Brower, Contralto, of Christ Church Choir.

The programme will be of such a character as to commend itself to all music lovers.

Seats are free and all are invited.

PROGRAM FOR THE NOVEMBER ORGAN RECITAL

The program for the second in the series of monthly organ recitals to be given on our new organ each month will be as follows: Sunday evening, November 1st (All Saints' Day) at 7.45.

Frank Haenle, Organist—formerly organist of St. Mary's Church, New York City.

Florence Haenle, Violinist—concert master Woman's Symphony Orchestra.

Elizabeth Brower, Vocalist—contralto in Christ Church Choir.

1. Sonata Felix Borowki
 - a. Allegro in non Troppo
 - b. Andante
 - c. Allegro Confuoco

2. Prelude to "The Deluge"

C. Saint Saens

Florence Haenle

3. "O Rest in the Lord".... Mendelssohn

Elizabeth Brower

4. Meditation Ralph Kinder

5. Allegretto W. Wolstenholme

6. Romanza in C Minor

H. Alex. Matthews

7. Abide with Me S. Liddell

Elizabeth Brower

8. Scherzoso in D Minor

R. Huntingdon Woodman

In addition to the above musical program, familiar hymns, appropriate to All Saints' Day, will be sung by the congregation.

A cordial invitation is extended to all persons in this vicinity.

Pews in Christ Church, at all services are free and unassigned.

CHOIR NOTES

Since the last issue of THE CHIMES there have been two new additions to the Choir: Miss Rosine Sundelius, soprano soloist, and Mrs. Rosemaire Lott, who comes from Trinity Memorial Church, Ambler. We extend to both of them a cordial welcome.

On October 12th, Miss Gertrude Brownlee, a member of our Choir, was united in Holy Matrimony by our Rector to Mr. Lloyd F. Ford. The members of the choir wish her a very happy and prosperous married life.

The Choir Master will be pleased to receive applicants for the Choir, either male or female, and will give them a hearing for membership in the Choir.

—Owen J. W. Burness,
Choirmaster.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our School opened on September 20th, which was "Rally Day." After a brief session we marched into Church for a Special Service, which was very inspiring.

We have lost several teachers, who were unable to take up their work this fall. Among them Miss Thompson, Mrs. Aulenbach, Mrs. Clausen, Miss Bell and Miss Dedier also Miss Gerhard, who asked to be placed on the "Supply List," as she was going to be often absent.

We regret very much they cannot be with us this year.

We are glad to welcome as new teachers Miss Gertrude Feist, Miss Jacoby, Miss Morgan, Mr. Melville, Miss Seitz and Miss Irwin.

Our attendance is not as large as for corresponding Sundays last year, but it is hoped that after a personal visit by the teacher each scholar who has not as yet attended will return to our fold.

The Winter's work has not yet been laid out, owing to the many changes in the teachers, but we hope in the next issue of the "Chimes" to be able to state our program.

The attendance at Church by the School during the Summer months was very good, more than last year.

Most of the School have made up their envelope subscription due to absences in Summer, and we hope to be nearly 100 per cent. by November 1st. R. H. M.

NOTICE

Last Spring, several members of the Church made a yearly subscription through Sunday School scholars to "The Spirit of Missions." The money was received, but the list of names was accidentally destroyed. Will those who subscribed kindly send their names and addresses to the Rector or to the under-

signed, so that the magazine may be sent them?

Richard H. Morris,
6604 Wayne Ave.

CLOTHING FOR THE POOR

Worn clothing, outer or under garments, is solicited from members of the Parish for worthy persons in need. The clothing may be sent to the Parish House in care of the sexton, and will be gratefully received.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary has a very busy winter ahead of it. We must raise \$380 before the first of January toward our quota for Missions. As a means to this end a motion picture benefit is in progress.

On the 12th of November we are going to have a Rummage Sale.

Will every one please save us anything for which they have no further use and send it to the Parish House before the 12th of November? If you cannot bring it yourself kindly notify Mrs. Frank Wells, 244 W. Hortter St., (Phone, Ger. 8884) and it will be called for.

The sewing section of the Auxiliary will continue to hold its meetings on the third Monday of each month. We are in great need of someone to take charge of this most important work. Isn't there someone who will volunteer to undertake it? If so, get in touch with our President, Mrs. T. P. Robinson, 148 E. Washington Lane.

We are sending out an urgent plea for more women to come to our meetings and help us in this great work. The meetings are held in the Parish House on the first Monday of each month at two o'clock. A. F. W.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY PARLOR

For a long while the Woman's Auxiliary of the Parish has very much felt the need of a "Woman's Auxiliary Room," or parlor where all our meetings could be held. In the past we have had to utilize any room which at the time

was available. This has not been at all satisfactory. Consequently, we have decided to try to furnish the room nearest the Church as a "Parlor."

Such a room would be of great advantage not only to the Woman's Auxiliary, but to the entire Parish, particularly at times of Special Meetings and Receptions.

The furnishing of the room and repairing the floor will cost approximately three hundred dollars (\$300.00).

At the present time we have less than \$5.00 toward this object. We are having a desk and a small sofa repaired, and three members of the Auxiliary have given pieces of suitable furniture. Of course, all of this must harmonize in color. We are greatly in need of a walnut bookcase with glass doors and a large center table. We would like to have this room completed by January 1st, 1926 and immediate co-operation on your part is essential in order to carry out our plans. Contributions of money may be given to the Rector or to the writer. Even small amounts will be much appreciated.

Mrs. L. M. Robinson,
President, Woman's Auxiliary.
Phone, Gtn. 7756.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S GUILD

The St. Christopher's Guild held their regular Fall meeting at the Rectory. New members were taken in and plans and a program were laid out for the coming year.

During the month of October Arthur Hallock is Crucifer for the morning services and Bradford Hull for the evenings. For November, John Byers will take the morning services and Granville Klink the evening services. The new members who were taken into the Guild this year are: Bradford Hull, John Byers, Granville Klink and James Maloney.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on Monday evening, October 26th.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild is somewhat handicapped due to the necessary resignation of several of its members. If there are

any in the Parish who would be interested in joining and feel that they could give the necessary time, we wish they would consult with Dr. Arndt.

We are always grateful for the contribution of flowers for the altars, or of money to purchase them.

The following committees will be on duty during the coming month:

October 30th to November 6th: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Stryke, Higginbotham.

November 6th to 13th: Misses Chase, Wertsner.

November 13th to 20th: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

November 20th to 27th: Misses Dean, Crowder, McHenry.

UNITED THANK OFFERING

The United Thank Offering sent to Mrs. Hollingsworth, the diocesan treasurer, from Christ Church, during the past year, to be presented at the Triennial Convention, at New Orleans, amounted to \$160.00. The names of those contributing through the year are:

Mrs. Henry S. Abel
Mrs. Charles Henry Arndt
Mrs. Bruce
Mrs. Ernest Blood
Miss L. E. Bell
Mrs. Edward Bains
Mrs. Walter Crowder
Mrs. T. H. Carmichael
Mrs. H. A. Cannon
Mrs. J. Harry Clifton
Miss E. Demuth
Mrs. A. Flower
Mrs. Samuel L. Gerhard
Miss Grace Gerhard
Mrs. Hallock
Mrs. Charles Heyer
Mrs. William N. Johnson
Mrs. Topliff Johnson
Miss Elizabeth M. Keule
Mrs. J. I. Morrison
Mrs. H. Cresson McHenry
Mrs. Florence Merwin
Mrs. Randolph
Mrs. W. G. Rowley
Mrs. Reese
Mrs. Alfred C. Sands
Mrs. Alonzo Smith
Miss Stickney
Mrs. C. W. Sutcliffe

Mrs. T. B. Robinson
Mrs. Frank Wells
Mrs. J. M. Woodroffe
Mrs. Ellen Wilcox
Miss L. Wilson
Mrs. George S. Wertsner

Besides the mothers' meeting, whose names are not in the list, as they contribute collectively. As the offering is again collected and presented in the spring, we hope to have many more contributors. It is an unusual opportunity to assist in an unusual work in an unusual way. If you haven't a blue box, please ask the Parish Thank Offering Treasurer for one. E. L. H.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

Twenty-five young people came out on Sunday for our get-together meeting! This was indeed an encouraging number. Those who did not come missed an interesting time. Rev. Nathaniel Groton, the councillor for the Young People in this diocese spoke to us. Then Mr. Dallas from Jenkintown Y. P. F. told us how they conduct their meetings, and gave us some interesting suggestions.

Sunday, October 28th, is our organization meeting. All the young people in the Sunday School, and their friends over fifteen are urged to come out and help us elect our officers.

—Helen McHenry.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

On October 4th, 1925, nineteen members of the Men's Bible Class took their second annual visitation to Birdsboro, Penna. to visit Rev. A. B. Vossler, our former teacher. Although the day was rainy we had a very pleasant trip and enjoyed a box lunch, with coffee and ice cream served in the Parish House.

On Friday evening, October 30th, we are giving "An Olde Tyme Hallowe'en Party," to which all are invited to have a good time. Dr. Courtney is chairman of this Committee, so we know it is going to be a success.

Basketball teams are being organized to represent Christ Church in the newly formed league of Germantown, Mt. Airy and Chestnut Hill Churches.

An invitation is extended to all men of the Parish and their friends to become members of the Men's Bible Class, as we believe they will profit by the exceptionally strong and able presentation of lessons our teacher, Colonel Sheldon Potter, always gives us.

Last Sunday we had the pleasure of having Dr. Arndt conduct our Class. Our new officers have started a campaign for new members, and we hope in the near future to have a much larger weekly attendance than we have had in the past.

Every Sunday in the Parish House at 9.45 A. M. J. M. B.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

The first meeting of the season was a little earlier than usual. October 6th, but almost everyone was present and glad to greet old friends and to welcome the newer members of our group.

The greatest change to be seen was in our youngest members. Those who were infants last year walking about and investigating all the interesting objects in the room. It is wonderful what a change a few months make when one's age is counted in months, not years.

Mothers with young children are cordially welcome to our meetings, as we think they are the ones most benefited by a pleasant afternoon among congenial friends.

We are glad to have with us this year again Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Smith, and are hoping to have Mrs. Eckerly also.

We are not quite ready to announce our plans for the Winter, but we are sure that our meetings will be both pleasant and profitable. A. M. M.

MISS BELL'S RESIGNATION

We regret to report that Miss Bell, our Parish Worker, will not be with us next year. She has resigned to accept a position as teacher at the Institute for the Deaf in Trenton, N. J. During her term of service in Christ Church she made hosts of friends, who will greatly miss her. All join in a sincere wish and prayer that she may be successful and happy in her new work.

The following is a copy of Miss Bell's letter of resignation to the Rector:

June 1, 1925.

Germanstown.

Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.,
59 West Tulpehocken Street
Germanstown Pa.

My dear Dr. Arndt:

It is with a feeling of deep regret that I tender you my resignation as Parish Worker of Christ Church Germanstown, to take effect September 1st, 1925.

My relations with yourself and with the parishioners generally have been so pleasant that it is hard for me to take this step, and I have been brought to do so only by the stern necessity of accepting a position which will enable me to meet certain obligations which I could not meet were I to remain.

With deep appreciation of the hearty co-operation which has been given me in every undertaking during my stay in the Parish, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Laura E. Bell.

G. F. S.

Christ Church,
Germanstown.

The Girls' Friendly of Christ Church of Germanstown opened its season of 1925 and 1926 with a banquet for the mothers and daughters of its membership. The big old Gym looked very festive as 42 mothers and their daughters sat down to candle lighted, autumn-leaved decorated tables.

We had a most delicious repast which was prepared by the associates and members of the Branch—with some very generous contributions by two of our very good friends in the Parish. Mrs. Sheldon Potter and Mrs. Eckersley had the responsibility of the kitchen and the tables were served by five girls of Miss Grace Gerhard's Sunday School Class.

Permit us to here record our thanks and deep appreciation to these good people for this wonderful service. Miss Edna Naegele presided. The President made her usual speech of welcome, inviting the mothers to visit us at our meetings any Tuesday night. Dr. Arndt, who by the

way is our president *ex-officio*, was with us through the dinner and made some very telling remarks on the relationship of mothers and daughters.

The Associates gave a very amusing stunt—"The Three Blind Mice"—and the committee on entertainment broke the ice, if there was any, by gathering mothers and daughters into games.

Our Program for the winter is lined up ready for the approval of the Committee. We hope to have several forums, some travel talks, social service work and a drive for membership. Also something must be done to raise money for our efforts—the treasury is dry and empty.

The Neighborhood Conference will be held in Christ Church November 24th. This means to entertain all the G. F. S. organizations in the Convocation of Germanstown.

Remember us in your prayers—send us new members as well as Associates and Honorary Associates.

L. J. J.

BOY SCOUTS

Philadelphia certainly is a big city—people with small vision thought that by this time labor would be all upset and real estate skyrocketing because of the Sesqui-Centennial—that would be true if Philadelphia were as small as Dayton, Tennessee.

Events large and small go on right under our noses without causing a ripple. How many people in Christ Church know that a Boy Scout Troop meets in the Parish House Monday nights, and that it is as prosperous as a three-million-dollar share per day Stock Exchange? The Troop opened up this fall with the largest attendance ever. The fall hikes were a howling success. As for the Father's Association, well, words can't describe it. It is practical, enthusiastic, active. In brief it works. These men join the hikes, help out with their cars on long distance work, run the Fathers' and Sons' Banquet and make themselves useful in general. Like the tires on an automobile, we could do without them but things would not run as smoothly.

Join our Troop. We are full, so don't come too fast. Our mailing list has over one hundred and fifty names on it already. Some of these have graduated into college or the like.

So you see, while we used to be just a Troop we have become a Troop with a long tradition. It is pleasant to be associated with something that is pre-eminently successful. The Rector and many friends of the Parish have added materially to our success. We are most grateful.

G. I. B.

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

Subscribers through the envelope system, who have been away during the summer, are very generally paying the amounts that they have omitted giving during their absence. It is very gratifying to the Warden to receive these arrears, as he depends upon them to meet his financial obligations.

It is hoped that all subscribers who may be in arrears will kindly make them up at their earliest convenience.

SERVICES ON THANKSGIVING DAY

The Services on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th, will be as follows: Holy Communion, 7.30 A. M.; Morning Prayer with Special Service of "Prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the fruits of the earth, and all other blessings for His merciful Providence" (Prayer Book, page 319) will be held at 11 o'clock.

The offering at both services will be for the Episcopal Hospital.

The following has been sent to the "Chimes," with a request that it be published:

A CREED FOR MOTHERS

I believe in little children as the most precious gift of Heaven to earth.

I believe they have immortal souls created in the image of God.

I believe that in every child there are infinite possibilities for good or evil, and that the kind of influences with which we surround their early childhood largely determines their future character.

I believe in play as the child's normal effort to understand himself through free self-expression.

I believe, too, in work suitable to childhood, and that the joy in doing such work should come to the child largely from the doing of it WELL.

I believe in wisely directing, rather than stifling activity.

I believe in inspiring the child to choose the good, the true, and the beautiful, and to contribute to the happiness of others by word and deed and gift.

I believe that in all these things my example counts for more than my precept.

I believe in cultivating the intellect and the will, but I believe, too, in soul culture, and that out of this cultivation comes the more abundant life, bringing forth the fruits of the Spirit—kindness, gentleness, joy, peace, truth, hope, faith, love, reverence for God, respect for age, consideration for each other and thoughtfulness for all God's lowly creatures.

I believe that the calling of motherhood is the holiest and should be the happiest of all earth's tasks.

I believe that the Christ who was once Himself a child, born of a human mother, is the one never-failing source of help for perplexed, discouraged or wearied motherhood.

Since to this work, Father, Thou hast called me, help me to give to it all that Thou hast given me of insight and wisdom and strength and love and gentleness and patience and forgiveness.

TWELVE THINGS TO REMEMBER

- 1 The Value of Time.
- 2 The Success of Perseverance—
- 3 The Pleasure of Working—
- 4 The Dignity of Simplicity—
- 5 The Worth of Character—
- 6 The Power of Kindness—
- 7 The Influence of Example—
- 8 The Obligation of Duty—
- 9 The Wisdom of Economy—
- 10 The Value of Patience—
- 11 The Improvement of Talent—
- 12 The Joy of Originating

Marshall Field, of Chicago.

A CREED

"I will be true, for there are those who trust me;
I will be pure, for there are those who care;
I will be strong, for there is much to suffer;
I will be brave, for there is much to dare;
I will be friend to all the poor and friendless;
I will be giving and forget the gift;
I will be humble, for I know my weakness;
I will look up, and laugh, and love, and lift."

Howard Arnold Walters.

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OUR GREATEST ASSETS

By the Bishop of Kentucky

What are our assets? We look upon them as property, possessions, something through which we can liquidate our obligations. There is danger of limiting our definition to a commercial conception of this term. Viewed truly and intelligently, our greatest assets are our children, through whom we are to discharge our obligations to posterity. If we fail in meeting what we owe to our children, in keeping our obligations to them, then our assets become our liabilities.

Child welfare is one of the great social and spiritual awakenings of the age, and so important a matter as this should arouse our deepest interest. We owe to the child every safeguard, every opportunity to complete its life, and every advantage to attain moral and spiritual growth which lie within our power to

provide. The protection of the child against disease, preventable vice, preventable social and industrial injustice by personal attention to hygiene, sanitation, better environment and interest in child labor, are small outlays on our part, considering the benefit to be derived by the child itself. If we are going to make a man out of the child, let us begin by giving it a good start in health, in physique, and in prospect.

We aim at something higher, however, than success in health and bone and muscle. These might make a healthy animal, but we go further and cultivate them as the foundations upon which to build the man. We should strive to provide for our children the best opportunity for an education, the best public schools, vocational or trade schools and, as ninety per cent. of our children leave school at fourteen years of age, we should seek to establish continuation schools. Our modern education is a failure unless it trains a child to meet life and fit that child for greater social and industrial efficiency.

Having attained this, we have only begun. We need to take this, and all that follows, more seriously. From this starting point let us go forward another step, and that is to assure to our children a moral education and equipment to meet the battle of life. We surround our children with many things needful, lavish time, thought and expenditure upon them for intellectual development and then leave them to grow up exposed to the lurking dangers to which they are daily exposed. The child is given the advantage of our schools and too often left to gain, unaided, its experiences of life. No false modesty should keep us from the solemn duty of teaching a child, our child, the great lessons of purity, the sacredness of the body, the dangers which threaten the untutored beginner of life. In our hesitation, our culpable silence, the very things which we dread most become, all too soon, known to the child. Sometimes in innocence of the evil, and often in ignorance of the dangers, our children are left to work out, not their own salvation, but their ruin.

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CHRIST CHURCH

Tulpehocken and McCallum Sts.

Rector, REV. CHARLES HENRY ARNDT, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours 8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily At Home Saturday Evenings

HOLY COMMUNION AT MIDNIGHT ON CHRISTMAS EVE

A Celebration of the Holy Communion will be held on Christmas Eve, December 24th. The Service will be preceded by the singing of Christmas Carols at 11.15. The Communion Service will begin promptly at 11.30.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30 and 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, preceded by shortened Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11.00 A. M.

The Offering at all Services on Christmas Day will be for our Parish Quota for the Clergy Pension Fund (formerly called the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund).

The Rector will be assisted on Christmas Day by the Rev. William H. Cavanaugh.

CHRISTMAS

In our observance of Christmas we should not lose sight of the religious character of the day. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctively a religious festival. The Day should, therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless as these may be in themselves but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. It should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christmas joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families with father, mother and children worshipping together in the

House of God "of sending portions to those for whom nothing is prepared"; of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of these. In other words, the religious observance of the Day must come first and be paramount in importance, or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger today that we, too, will deny Him room; that our hearts and minds and the hearts and minds of the children will be crowded full of the pleasures and occupations of the world and there will be found no room for Christ? Let each one, therefore, bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day and come to God's House and kneel before Him, and worship Him, Emmanuel, God with us.

LOVE—THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

The word that is above every other word at Christmas is the word—Love! It is the center and the circumference of Christmas. Of all the good news that could be brought to the world, what news so good as this? "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David—a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord!"

God's love to man, man's love to God, man's love to one another—this is the Christmas message: Love, Love, Love!

"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." "If God so loved us, we ought also, to love one another."

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At this Christmas season, this season of Love the Apostle's command must be literally obeyed, or the true spirit of Christmas cannot enter into our hearts. "Let all bitterness and wrath and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice; and be ye kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God, for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

If this be the spirit, "the Spirit of Jesus," that shall possess our hearts this Christmas-tide, then, it will be, indeed, a very happy a truly happy Christmas!

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The music on Christmas Day at the Mid-Day Services will be as follows:

Processional Hymn 72—"O Come All Ye Faithful" Venita
"Venite" Goodson
"Glorias" Goodson
"Te Deum," b flat Striner
"Communion Service in F" Tours
Office Hymn 80—"Angels from the Realm of Glory."

Anthem—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," with Soprano Solo—"Obligato" Sullivan
Recessional Hymn 73—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

The Church School Christmas Carol Service will be held in the Church on Sunday afternoon (Sunday after Christmas), December 27th, at three thirty o'clock.

The usual Evening Service will be omitted on this Sunday.

TO THE MEMBERS OF CHRIST CHURCH

My dear People:

At this time, when the Parish enters upon a new fiscal year, it is due to the members to know the condition of the financial affairs of the Church. The Finance Committee of the Vestry has, therefore, addressed a letter to the parishioners which appears in another column of this issue of the "Chimes." It should be read by everyone.

It is probably known to all that the change in policy from the renting of pews to a Church with all sittings and

pews free has placed the responsibility for financial support of the Church and its work upon everyone who claims membership therein. The entire income, excepting that from legacies is derived from pledged or free-will offerings.

Everyone should realize that the Church, while nominally in the care of the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, is only in their care as Trustees for the members and the Church is the medium through which the Kingdom of God is extended upon earth.

For the coming year the expenses for maintaining the Parish property and continuing the services and the work of the Parish are estimated at \$13,000.00, and for the work of the Church in spreading Christ's Gospel among all people as assigned to the Parish by the Executive Council, \$4,600.00, a total of \$17,600.00. Last year our quota or "expectation" for Missionary work assigned to us was \$4,500.00.

I am justly proud to say that, notwithstanding the extraordinary expense incurred during the past year by the installation of our new organ in Christ Episcopal Church (toward which the total received to date in cash and pledges amounts to over \$19,000.00) this has not been at the sacrifice of our gifts to Missions. On the other hand, we have given to Missions during the past year more than was ever given in one year in the history of the Parish—a little more than the quota assigned to us. Not that everyone has done his or her full share—and in this I am saddened and disappointed; but a large number have risen to their personal responsibility and given generously. For this I am justly proud and profoundly thankful! I am confident that by these generous givers remaining faithful to their trust and by an increased number of "the others," who this year will surely be impressed with a sense of personal responsibility and privilege to share in the work of the Church joining the ranks of the loyal supporters, this coming year is full of promise.

We hear and will heed the command given by Jehovah to His chosen people: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward!"

We will go forward—God helping us!
Everyone in Christ Church will do his duty!

Faithfully yours,
Charles Henry Arnold.

Pledge cards may be found in the racks in the vestibule of the Church. It is hoped that every member of every family in the Parish will take one of these cards. Check up the amount on each side of the card that each person can afford to give, sign name and address and place the card in the alms plate at any service, or send it to the Rector or Accounting Warden. A package of envelopes for weekly offerings will then be sent to you. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector or Warden. We want to aim to make Christ Church this year a 100 per cent. giving Parish! It can be done!

The financial needs of the Parish will be fully met and the Church's Missions, not only to far-off lands, but to our own diocese and city, will be fulfilled if everyone will follow the apostle's command: "Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

LETTER FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The fiscal year of the Parish ends on December 31st. At that time all subscriptions through the envelopes should be paid in full, and subscriptions should be renewed for the coming year.

The Finance Committee of the Vestry addresses the following letter to all members of Christ Church:

December 4, 1925.

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

We are all interested in our parish and wish to aid in its support, but, perhaps, are not sufficiently informed of the cost of maintaining the Church property and carrying on its work.

We have about 600 communicants, of which about 300 only have subscribed to the support of the Parish, and not all of these have contributed the amount subscribed. These 300 subscribers have given \$5200, during the eleven completed

months during the current year. The plate collections which represent the contributions of the remaining 300, as well as of some who are subscribers and others who are visitors, amounted in the same period to \$700.

It would appear that our deficit for the current year will be about \$1700. Is it not possible that the 300 members who do not subscribe and those who, having subscribed, have not paid their subscription can contribute the balance of the money necessary to meet the requirements of our budget by subscription to the envelope collection for the coming year?

We ask your co-operation.

Faithfully yours

William N. Johnson

Ulysses G. Rowley.

Sheldon Potter.

Finance Committee.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES—CHRIST CHURCH

January 1st to November 30, 1925

INCOME

From Plate Offerings	\$ 706.69
" Envelope "	5,223.98
" Special "	564.25
" Repair Fund (Blue Envelopes)	418.21
" Sunday School	495.94
" Miscellaneous	41.67
" Interest on Deposits, Investments etc.	4,458.40
" Special Appropriations for Choir	211.00
" Easter Offerings	1,020.65
" Christmas 1924 Offering	19.85

Total \$13,165.64

EXPENDITURES

For Salaries	\$ 6,098.92
" Clergy Pension Fund	315.00
" Organist and Choir	2,177.37
" Miscellaneous Items	1,466.81
" Taxes, Insurance and Water Rents	556.57
" Fuel and Lights	1,073.61
" Sunday School	600.00
" Repairs to Property	1,022.38
" Interest on Loans	56.40
" Episcopal Convention & Sustentation	437.40

Total Unpaid Bills	\$13,604.15
	\$ 225.16
Total Income	\$14,029.31
	\$13,165.64
Deficit	\$ 863.67
" from 1924	\$ 800.00
Deficit at this date (12-1-25)	\$ 1,663.67

MISSIONARY ACCOUNT

Contributed through Envelopes to 12-1-25	\$ 2,399.33
Sunday School Lenten Offering	954.58
Women's Offering to Missions	500.00
From Other Sources	176.85
Total	\$ 4,021.76
Assessment for 1925	\$ 4,500.00
Amount to raise by 12-31-25	\$ 478.24

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GREENS

Persons who wish to contribute toward the expense of purchasing holly and laurel for the decoration of this Church for the Christmas season are asked to give or send their contributions to Mr. William Clausen Jr., 502 West Mt. Airy Ave. or to the Rector.

The work of decorating is done by the young men of the Parish, as a labor of love.

CHURCH OPEN ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

There will be no midnight service this year in the Church on New Year's Eve, but the Church will be open all evening until midnight for private prayer and devotions.

At midnight the Rector will be in the Church and will say with any who may be present the Litany, together with special prayers and intercessions appropriate for the passing of the old and the coming in of the New Year.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR 1926

The Church Calendars issued each year are now ready for 1926, and

may be purchased from the Verger at fifty cents each. The Church's seasons and Holy Days are marked with their appropriate colors and the Scriptural Lessons for the Sundays throughout the year.

These Calendars are suitable for Christmas and New Year gifts, and should be in every family.

NEXT MONTHLY ORGAN RECITAL SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 3rd

The Fourth Organ Recital on the new Hall Organ will be given in Christ Church on Sunday evening, January 3rd 1926, at 7.45 o'clock.

On this occasion the Organist will be Mr. Harry S. Banks, Jr., Organist of Girard College and the Vocalist will be Mr. Frederick A. Heuer, Bass.

These Recitals have been steadily increasing in interest and popularity, as evidenced by the large number in attendance.

The Programme on January 3rd promises to be of unusual interest.

A shortened form of Evening Prayer is said, several hymns are sung and the Recital takes the place of the sermon. The whole service lasts but little over one hour.

Come and bring your friends.

CHURCH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Christmas Carol Service of the Church Schools will be held in the Church on Sunday after Christmas, December 27th, at half-past three o'clock.

The Christmas Entertainments for the Schools will be held on Tuesday December 29th. Santa Claus will visit the Primary Department Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, and asks that all his little children be present promptly at that hour, as he is so busy he will not be able to stay long, and does not want to miss any little child of Christ Church School.

The Upper Schools will hold their Entertainment on the evening of the same day at 8 o'clock—sharp.

Parents of the young people are invited to this Church Service on Sunday afternoon and to the Entertainment.

A NEW VERGER

Robert Todd verger of Christ Church, has moved to the city and has resigned his position in Christ Church. Arthur Powers has been appointed in his place and has taken up his duties.

CONFIRMATION CLASS FORMING

The Bishop of the Diocese has notified the Rector that he has appointed Maundy Thursday evening for the Bishop's annual visitation to the Parish to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation.

The Rector invites all persons who are contemplating Confirmation to give their names to him as soon as possible.

A course of instruction on Confirmation and the teachings of the Church will be begun early in the year.

TO THE MEN OF OUR PARISH AND THIS VICINITY

It is reasonable to believe that a large number of men of Christ Church and this vicinity are not aware that we have a wonderful Men's Bible Class and that a rare opportunity is given to them to hear Colonel Sheldon Potter teach the Class every Sunday morning at a quarter to ten o'clock in the gymnasium in the Parish House.

Every man, old and young—we all keep young in this Class—who reads this article, is invited to connect himself with this Bible Class. I would be glad if he would give or send me his name. You will be assured a cordial welcome at the Class. Every Sunday morning at 9.45.

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THE MOTHERS' MEETING

During the swiftly passing weeks we have been busily preparing for our Christmas Sale. We disposed of enough aprons, rugs, towels and other useful articles to hand over a tidy little sum for the furnishing of the Women's Room in the Parish House.

We were recently favored by an afternoon of music by the kindness of Mrs. Mogridge and Miss Mogridge. It was greatly enjoyed, and we wish we might be favored by some of our other talented friends in the Parish.

The next event on our calendar is the Annual Dinner as early in the New Year as possible. Postals announcing the date will be sent to all the Mothers, and we are sure to have a fine time.

A. M. M.

A NEW PARISH WORKER

Miss Alice M. Preston has been engaged as Parish Worker at Christ Church, and entered upon her duties November 1st.

Miss Preston is a member of St. John's Parish, Athol, Massachusetts. Miss Preston took a course of study in the Deaconess' House, in Philadelphia, and for several years has been engaged in work among the Missions, under the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Bishop of Western Massachusetts.

We extend to Miss Preston a very cordial welcome to Christ Church.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

Within the past month we have made rapid strides forward in the Young People's Fellowship of Christ Church, and can now boast of at least thirty-five active members.

On November 16th we attended a Convention of the organization held at St. Paul's Memorial Church, South Philadelphia. This Convention was a great success. Bishop Garland and several well-known Clergymen throughout the city were present. Our Fellowship was very well represented, sending a delegation of eleven members, and we were formally admitted to the Young People's Fellowship Guild of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

On Sunday evening, November 28th a Fellowship Service for Young People was held in our Church. The service was taken charge of by the Fellowship. Richard Sutcliffe, one of our members, was lay reader, and two members took up the offering.

Rev. Stanley Wilcox, Rector of St. Paul's Memorial Church, Philadelphia, a former member of our Church School was the selected preacher on the occasion, and preached a practical and inspiring sermon.

We are now permanently organized and everyone between the ages of fifteen and twenty-five is invited to attend

our meetings and join our Fellowship. Our meetings are both interesting and helpful, and all young people are cordially invited to come around and see what we are doing.

Don't forget the time, 6.45 every Sunday evening in the Parish House.

James L. Malony,
Secretary.

PARISH REGISTER

Baptisms

"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Oct. 11. Winifred Mabel Stansfield.

" 25. Jean Eleanore Hallowell.

Nov. 15. William Henry Clausen, 3rd.

Dec. 6. Helen Doris Howell.

Marriages

"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder."

Oct. 12. Floyd Filmow Ford and Gertrude Crawford Brownlee.

" 17. Robert Lewis Winter and Nancy Brookie Stoughton.

Burials

"Looking for the General Resurrection and the Life of the World to come through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Oct. 21. Mary Marvill.

" 28. William R. Case.

Nov. 1. Evanna Rowles.

" 16. Iva Hortter.

Dec. 10. Mary A. Love.

THE CHURCHMAN'S KALENDAR

During the past week the Daughters of the King of our Parish have sent to each family in Christ Church a copy of "The Churchman's Kalendar." This Kalendar arranges for short daily Bible readings with notes. From Advent to Trinity they are based on the Gospel for the week, and during Trinity season they "form a course on the gradual revelation of the character of God as found in the Hebrew literature of the Old Testament, and the complete and perfect revelation of God in Christ as given in the New Testament.

The readings and notes are compiled by Bishops and Clergy noted for their knowledge of the Bible and their deep spirituality. They have given us an opportunity for the reading of the Bible by a most helpful and inspiring method

It is hoped that the members of our Congregation will use these readings systematically. If this is done we feel sure that at the end of the year, you will be well repaid, in a better knowledge of the Bible—the "Book of Books," and in the help which you will receive by the daily reading of the Word of God. If any family in the Parish has not received a copy of this very helpful course of Bible Reading, the Rector will be pleased to supply a copy, if application is made to him.

H. F. A.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Chapter held its first meeting since the summer on November 16. At this time new officers were chosen for the coming year, as follows:

President, Miss Emma A. Crowder.
Vice President, Mrs. Samuel L. Gerhard.

Secretary, Mrs. Richard G. McIver.
Treasurer, Mrs. Arthur T. Hallock.

At the next meeting (December 21st) it is hoped to make plans to revive the activities of this branch of Parish life in its work of prayer and service. New members will be most welcome, that the organization may widen its usefulness and thus deepen the spiritual life among our Church women.

A. M. P.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE CHIMES

Germantown,
December 14 1925.

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GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY OF CHRIST CHURCH

The Girls' Friendly Society held its regular weekly meeting Thursday evening, November 12th, at 8 o'clock.

The night for meeting has been changed from Tuesday to Thursday, owing to the fact that a number of our members are taking courses in higher education which happened to fall on the night of our meeting, so we changed, and have been glad ever since, as all these girls have brightened our meetings and helped our plans.

On Tuesday November 24th, the Neighborhood Conference of the Friendly Society, which means a representative from each Parish in Germantown and the outlying Districts, met at Christ Church. Supper was served from 5.30 to 7, after which there was a recreation hour until 8, which consisted of folk dancing by a member of the Calvary Candidate Branch and Story Telling. From 8 to 9 was the conference, which was opened by Dr. Arndt with prayer and a few words of welcome to the Brauches. Miss Maul, the Diocesan President, told of her experience at the World's Conference of the Girls' Friendly in London, with a service in Westminster Abbey, where every Girls' Friendly Society in the world was represented, many in their native costumes. Miss Paul, the Diocesan Treasurer, called the roll, which numbered present 183 representatives from 9 Parishes. The remainder of the evening was turned over to Mr. Valeria Parke, from New York, who told us the "Story of Life," in such telling, simple, beautiful and idealistic words, that the vision of everyone in the room was lifted to the highest point of desire and realization.

On December 3rd we had an evening with the contemporary poets, with a good turnout of members, even though we had what we call regular "friendly weather."

December 10th will be our Business Meeting, after which we will have an evening of song, led by our musical

members Grace Gerhart, with the baton, and Beatrice Spooner, at the piano.

December 17th—The Charm School will open with the Charm of Dress.

December 21st there will be an extra meeting to fill stockings for the children in the wards of the Municipal Hospital, and also to collect the money for a Christmas dinner for a family in which we have been interested for some time. It is also the intention to visit the Germantown Community Center and give the children a party during Christmas week.

Saturday afternoon sight-seeing tours are being planned, visiting different places of interest in the city.

Some of the athletes in our group are busy forming a Basketball Team, with practice every Wednesday evening. An invitation has been extended to any of the Sunday School girls to come out and join us. Come out, girls and show us some "peppy" work, and we may soon be a champion team, who can tell?

These plans look well on paper, but they will be failures if the girls do not give us their support; so reserve every Thursday evening for G. F. S. and bring your friends.

Respectfully submitted.

E. H.

Secretary pro tem.

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild will hold its regular business meeting on December 14th, when arrangements will be made for the Christmas decorations.

We find that we are badly in need of several new stoles, especially a purple one and a white one, and would appreciate any contribution to help us defray the expenses of these.

We are very glad to welcome Miss Phyllis Morgan to our number. The Serving Committees for the coming month are as follows:

Dec. 18th to 25th: Misses Dean, Crowder, McHenry.

" 25th to 31st: Mrs. Cotton, Misses Stryke, Morgan.

Jan. 1st to 8th: Misses Chase Wertsner.

Jan. 8th to 15th: Misses Mogridge, Wismer, Mrs. Mogridge.

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Rector

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

The Rector's Notes

The Rector's Office Hours:

8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily

6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily

At Home Saturday Evenings

PARISH NOTES

Editor

THE RECTOR

Miss Alice M. Preston, Parish Worker

All communications should be addressed to
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Vestry

James M. Woodroffe (1901), Rector's Warden.
Edward Bains (1914), Accounting Warden.

Sheldon Potter (1885)

William R. Pugh (1889)

William N. Johnson, M. D. (1893)

O. N. Middleton (1903)

Richard H. Morris (1904), Secretary.

U. G. Rowley (1915)

Frederick Lennig (1915)

Thomas H. Carmichael, M. D. (1921)

John F. Davidson (1923)

William H. Clausen, Jr. (1924)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
first Tuesday after Easter and on the first
Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene
Street.

Chimemaster, John F. Arndt.

Vergers, Arthur Powers

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and

third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.

Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.

Daughters of the King—Third Monday, 8 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.

Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-

iliary)—First Monday, 2 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.

Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.

Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church
Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church,
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dollars for the purpose of the Endowment
Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.

Christ Church Rectory,
Septuagesima, 1926.

My dear Friends:

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. I am sure that the people of Christ Church want to make this Lent a very serious, a very helpful season. It is full of opportunity, it is full of precious privileges to those who will use it aright. It is an opportunity for every seriously minded person to withdraw, for a time, from the lighter, the less serious things of life and to devote himself exclusively to the things that are most worth while; to the serious, the real, the eternal principles of life. "Forty days with the Master!" What a blessed privilege to get a right perspective of living; to gain a wider, a higher vision of life, to come into closer communion with God!

That this Lent may mean all that it should mean, may I not ask you, my dear friends, to be very earnest, very serious, very faithful in the observance? Let me tell you how.

1. By abstaining from worldly amusements and entertainments, that your thoughts may be given to the more serious and solemn lessons of life. Observe the rule of fasting and abstinence.

2. By reading, at the beginning and at the end of each day, some portion of God's Word. Read, during Lent, the shorter Epistles of St. Paul. I have had placed in the vestibules of our Church a pamphlet entitled, "Bible Readings and Prayers." These are for gratuitous distribution among our people. Take a copy home with you. There has also been sent to every family in the Parish a course of "Daily Bible Readings." I shall be glad to furnish a copy to any who have not received one.

3. By reading, at least one good book, not a novel, on some religious subject, or on Church History. I have had placed in the vestibule a bookcase, in which may be found a number of books suitable for Lenten reading. These books may be borrowed by applying to the Secretary, Miss Preston, after any service.

4. By spending a few moments, each morning and evening, alone with God, in meditation and prayer. Do this in your home. Come also to Church for a quiet hour of meditation and prayer. The Church is open all day from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m.

5. By regular attendance at the week-day Lenten Services in the Church. Consult the Lenten list and resolve to attend certain services, regularly and faithfully.

6. By careful and conscientious preparation for Holy Communion, and by frequent attendance at the Sacrament of the altar, where we are bound together in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ and with all the loved ones here and absent.

7. By being more considerate, more patient, more forgiving, more loving to others; and by doing acts of kindness to every one you can.

I am sure that if you are faithful in these things during this Lent, a wonderful blessing will come into your life, a blessing of strength and peace and joy—such as the world cannot give.

May I not look for you—I am addressing each one of you personally—may I not look for you at the Lenten week-day services, and, at least, twice every Sunday?

I have learned to expect great things from the people of Christ Church, and I have confidence in the deepening religious and spiritual life of the members of our Parish, during the coming Lent.

May God bless each one of you, my dear friends, and may He send His Holy Spirit into our hearts and arouse us all, Rector and people alike, to a greater zeal, a truer devotion, a deeper consecration to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,

Charles Henry Arndt.

SPECIAL PREACHERS SUNDAY EVENINGS—THE YOUNGER RECTORS

Within the past few years there have been many changes in the personnel of the rectors of the parishes in Germantown and Chestnut Hill. The rectors of the twelve parishes in this vicinity, with two exceptions, have been called to their parishes within the past seven or eight years.

The former rectors of most of these parishes served for a long term of years:—notably, Dr. Harris of St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, and Dr. Upjohn, of St. Luke's, Germantown, each of whose rectorship was forty years, and Dr. Perry, present Rector Emeritus of Calvary Church, forty-two years.

The rectors, who have been recently called to the parishes in Germantown and Chestnut Hill, are representative of the best type of the younger clergy in the Church. They are all earnest, deeply consecrated young men. That the people of Christ Church may have an opportunity of hearing these clergymen, I have invited them as special speakers on the Sunday evenings in Lent.

I hope that the members of Christ Church will conscientiously set aside Sunday evenings in Lent to attend these services. It will be the first time that these clergymen will have preached in Christ Church and our members should attend and give them a cordial welcome.

The list of special speakers is as follows:

First Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody, Rector St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill.

Second Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. Wood Stewart, Rector St. Martins-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill.

Third Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. William Y. Edwards, Rector Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown.

Fourth Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. Allen R. Van Meter, Rector Calvary Church, Germantown.

Fifth Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. J. Wesley Twelves, Rector Church of the Epiphany, Pelham.

Sixth Sunday in Lent:—The Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, Rector St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

A REQUEST TO EVERY COMMUNICANT

The Rector repeats his request to all persons in this Parish who attend the service of the Holy Communion. The request is this: After receiving at the Holy Communion, return to your seats and *remain to the end of the service*, until after the benediction.

Unless ill or physically unable to remain, *PLEASE* do not leave the Church until the service is over! Can I put the request more kindly? If so, I want to do it, and shall be glad to be told how. But I must insist that this request be complied with by all. Everyone will realize the propriety and the reasonableness of this request. It is most distasteful to the Rector to have to repeat it. He hopes that he will not be compelled to do so.

BOOKS IN THE VESTIBULE

The Rector has had placed in the Tulpehocken street vestibule of the Church a bookcase, in which will be found a number of books on religious and Church subjects.

The object of placing these books in the vestibule is to afford to all, who wish to use them, an opportunity of access to some of the best authorities on religious and kindred subjects, in which everyone, especially Churchmen, should be well informed.

These books will be loaned, without charge, to anyone who desires to read them.

The books may be kept for two weeks, after which time, they must be returned, with the privilege, however, of renewal for one week, if so desired.

No person may receive more than one book at a time.

Among this collection of books may be found a wide range of subjects, relating to religion and the teachings of the Church. There are a number especially suitable for Lenten reading. A list of the books is posted in the vestibule.

All attendants at the services of Christ Church are welcome to make free use of these books; the only conditions are that they be used carefully and returned within the time specified.

They are placed in the vestibule of the Church that the Congregation may have more ready access to them.

The books will be in charge of Miss Preston, who will be glad to loan them to any who may apply.

Miss Preston may be seen after any service.

SERVICES DURING LENT

Sundays

Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon	11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon (Special Preachers. See List)	7.45 P. M.
Young People's Meeting in Parish House	6.45 P. M.

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion	7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office, Address	11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Address	8.00 P. M.

Weekly Services

Tuesdays

Evening Prayer, Address	4.45 P. M.
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Wednesdays

Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Evening Service, Address on an "Outline of the History of the Church"	8.00 P. M.

Thursdays

Evening Prayer, Special Address to Young People	4.45 P. M.
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Fridays

Litany with Special Intercessions	9.30 A. M.
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Saturdays

Evening Prayer (no address)	4.45 P. M.
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HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion with blessing of the palms	7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon	11 A. M.
Evening Prayer and Sermon	7.45 P. M.
<i>(Special Preacher, the Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown)</i>	

Every Morning (except Good Friday and Saturday)

Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Every Afternoon (except Good Friday)	
Evening Prayer, Address	4.45 P. M.
Wednesday Evening	
Service and Address	8.00 P. M.
Maundy Thursday	
Confirmation	8.00 P. M.
Good Friday	
Pro-Anaphora, Penitential Office, Address	10.30 A. M.
Three-Hour Meditation on the "Seven Words from the Cross" (Led by Rev. Alfred M. Smith, St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia)	12 M to 3 P. M.

Saturday

Evening Prayer, Infant Baptism	4.45 P. M.
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EASTER DAY

Holy Communion	6.30 A. M.
	7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer (Shortened) Holy Communion, Sermon	11.00 A. M.
Church School Easter Carol Service	7.30 P. M.
<i>(Special Speaker, the Rev. Charles E. Spalding, Rector Church of the Advent, Kennett Square)</i>	

All week-day services will be held in the side chapel in the Church, with the exception of the Wednesday night services and the services in Holy Week, which will be held in the nave.

Instruction on Confirmation, weekly in the Parish House until the Bishop's Visitation.

For Adults, Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

For Minors, Sunday afternoons at 4.00 o'clock.

THE REV DR. FOLEY TO SPEAK

On the third Sunday morning in Lent the special preacher will be the Rev. George C. Foley, S. T. D., of the Episcopal Divinity School in Philadelphia.

Dr. Foley is one of the most scholarly men in the American Church and it will be a privilege to have him with us as preacher in Christ Church.

SPECIAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADDRESSES

The subject for the Wednesday night addresses to be given by the Rector during Lent will be an "Outline of the History of the Church," from the time of the Apostles to the Reformation. The series will include an account of the "Founding of the Apostolic Church," "The Teaching of the Early Church," "The Rise of the Roman Catholic Church," "The Papacy," "The Renaissance," "Steps Leading to the Reformation," "The Reformation," "The Results of the Reformation."

An invitation is extended to all persons in this community to attend this course of lectures, on Wednesday evenings in Lent.

Baptisms

"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Jan. 4—Mary Elizabeth Shields

Jan. 8th—William Alexander Armstrong, 4th

Marriages

"Those whom God has joined together let no man put asunder."

Dec. 26—Joseph Clarence Courtney and Helen Parthenia Thomas

Jan. 16—Arno'd Thomas Clement and Dorothy Florence Treglown

Burials

"Looking for the General Resurrection and the Life of the World to come through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Nov. 24—Laura E. Lukens

Dec. 29—George Lindsay

Dec. 31—Jessie E. Middleton

Jan. 7—Margaret C. Barker

Begin Lent aright! On Ash Wednesday there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Before going to your duties of the day—your business, your school, your household duties—"come apart for awhile with God"; begin this Lenten season aright by dedication of yourself, your soul and body, to God and by receiving the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ! Begin aright!

THE WEEK-DAY LENTEN SERVICES

The services on week days during Lent will be held in the side chapel, with the exception of the Wednesday night service, which will be, as usual, in the nave of the church.

Attendants at the afternoon services are requested to sit together in the south transept, instead of being scattered throughout the main body of the church. This will add to the heartiness of the singing and interest in the service.

Persons who are willing to assist in the singing at the Lenten services are requested to give their names to the Rector. There are a number of persons in the Parish who might render this much as their Lenten offering. The Rector will gladly welcome them and will appreciate their services.

Why not make it a Lenten object to bring at least one child to Holy Baptism or some "backslider" back again to his church duties and privileges, or to lead some hesitating friend to Christ and to Confirmation?

Make some specific, definite object your duty during this Lent. Let it not be a "negative Lent," but a *positive* Lent; something definitely undertaken and done; something unselfish, something constructive to the bringing in of the Kingdom of God and His Christ!

Some people are habitually late to church service. The habit should be overcome. To enter the service late is disconcerting to others and seriously interrupts the service. It is a form of selfishness, on the part of those who practice it. One should be in church long before the service begins, to prepare one's mind and spirit to receive the precious things that there are given. No one who rushes to church or comes in late can be so prepared.

The Prayer Book is given by the church to be *used by the worshippers*. It should be opened and the eyes of each worshipper should be riveted upon it. During the singing of the canticles, instead of looking about the congregation

or at the choir, follow the words in your Prayer Book. However familiar you may be with the service, follow, with your book before you, every sentence, every collect, Gospel, Epistle, as the minister reads it. It is called the "Book of Common Prayer," and so it is intended to be—common between minister and people; every service in it to be entered into by minister and people together; and this purpose cannot be carried out if the people do not follow the minister as he reads the service.

Keep your Prayer Book *open* and your eyes on the service as it is read by the minister!

And this leads to the further suggestion that every one should own and carry with him his own Prayer Book and Hymnal. Additional books may be kept in the pews, but every worshipper should bring with him to church and take home with him his own personal Prayer Book and Hymnal. Your Prayer Book will come to mean something, then, by its long and faithful usage and its sacred associations.

Bring your own Prayer Books and Hymnals to church with you and take them home with you when you go!

The Prayer Books and Hymnals at the doors of the church are primarily intended for strangers.

SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Special attention of parents and young people in the parish is called to the service every Thursday afternoon in Lent, which will be adapted to young people, with a special address by the Pastor.

Teachers of the Church School, with the scholars, should endeavor to attend these services. Parents are invited to accompany their children. It is hoped that the boys and girls of the Parish will set aside Thursday afternoons in Lent to attend this service. Come and bring your young friends with you.

CONSULT WITH THE RECTOR

The Bishop will visit this Parish (D.V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, April 1st, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector affectionately urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to

him at once. He will be pleased to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. One goes to his lawyer when in doubt in regard to the law, or to his physician for medical advice. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, go to your Rector and tell him your troubles. He will help you.

The Prayer Book, in the Communion Office, so states it: "If any of you cannot quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of his conscience and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness."

The Rector is most anxious to help any one who may be in doubt or trouble and will gladly do all within his power for any one who comes to him.

A WORD TO PARENTS

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with them.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you:

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

Are you doing your duty?

CONFIRMATION OR THE "LAYING ON OF HANDS"—WHAT IS IT?

It is announced elsewhere in this issue of THE CHIMES that classes in Confirmation are being formed and instructions on

the subject have been begun. "Confirmation" or "the Laying of the Hands" are synonymous terms in the Church. What do these terms mean?

We learn from the Acts of the Apostles that in the early days of the Church, after converts had been baptized, the Apostles used to lay their hands upon them for the further outpouring of the Holy Ghost. It was so in the case of those Samaritans to whom the Acts viii, v. 14 refers. We are told that "when the Apostles, who were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John, who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost (for as yet He was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus). Then laid they their hands upon them, and they received the Holy Ghost." It was so also in the case of certain believers at Ephesus, of whom St. Paul asked whether they had received the Holy Ghost when they believed, meaning thereby to inquire whether, after they were baptized, they had received the *Laying on of Hands*. Their answer showed that they had not received Christian Baptism at all, but had been baptized only with the baptism of John, that is, of John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord. Whereupon, by St. Paul's direction, they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and then he laid his hands on them; and "the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied."

The holy rite of "Laying on of Hands" has been continued in the Church from the beginning.

The service is called in our Prayer Book "Confirmation, or Laying on of Hands upon those who are Baptized."

The special blessing, then, which we are taught to connect with Confirmation is spiritual strength. If by Baptism we are taken into Christ, and are made to be "in the Lord," by Confirmation we are made to be strong in the Lord." This is the teaching of Holy Scripture, and of the primitive Church.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

Our annual Christmas dinner on Tuesday, January the twelfth was quite equal to our anticipations. The weather was

ideal, the attendance was fine, two long tables being filled. Only two members were not with us, Mrs. Dahl and Mrs. Cook, who were kept at home by illness. We missed them, especially as they are among those who have been with us the longest.

The chicken, carved by Mrs. Potter in her usual skillful way, the cranberry sauce, vegetables, buttered rolls, pickles, salted nuts, ice cream, cake and coffee were delicious.

After the tables were cleared Dr. Arndt in behalf of the Mothers, presented to Mrs. Rowley and Mrs. Morrison, beautiful bridge sets, embroidered by one of the members. Then followed several songs by Miss Mogridge, accompanied by Mrs. Mogridge.

This delightful feature was followed by a very amusing ventriloquist.

Thus closed an afternoon long to be remembered by the Mothers' Meeting.

A. M. M.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Carol Service in the church was well attended although it was a very cold, windy day. We were glad to again have the Rev. Mr. Goodman come and speak to us. At the service we gave the Rector over \$125 for the relief of families where there are children, in our neighborhood, that are in need, and we also gave four Christmas dinner baskets, our total offering amount being \$158.49.

Our Christmas entertainment consisted of a stunt by each class, and was enjoyed because nearly all the school took part and our room was full to the doors with parents and friends. The judges awarded First Prize of \$5 to Miss Dietz's Class and Second Prize of \$3 to Mr. Melville's Class, and both classes immediately gave the money to our Advent relief fund.

Our attendance has been about the same as last year. The Star Classes (every member present) since Rally Sunday have been Mr. Whitby's eight times, Miss Jordan's and Mr. Melville's seven times, Mr. Clausen's six times, Miss Irwin's, Mrs. Christ's and Miss Armstrong's each three times.

We were very sorry to lose Miss Robinson as a teacher, and we are glad to welcome the return of Miss Sara Gray.

For our Lenten Mission Work we have the goal of last year to aim at, which was the largest offering for many years and as Lent is very early this year we will soon start to work.

R. H. M.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held on the first Monday of January.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Robinson, President; Mrs. Topliffe Johnson, Treasurer; Mrs. Wells, Secretary.

The work accomplished during the past year has been satisfactory. By various activities we raised five hundred dollars to help pay the parish apportionment to the National Council. The envelope subscriptions and legacy from Miss Sarah Johnson enabled us to add three hundred dollars to our fund.

We hope the ensuing year will be still more fruitful.

We want more active members. Our aim for 1926 is to increase our membership.

We need workers to help us in our sewing and many other enterprises which could be more successfully carried out with more women to help us.

The business meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at two o'clock in the Parish House.

The sewing meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at two o'clock in the Parish House.

A. F. W.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY OF CHRIST CHURCH

The G. F. S. has been very busy the last few months. All the girls have agreed that we are having very interesting meetings and the number of girls that come certainly is encouraging, although we would like to see more of our old members who have strayed from our midst. If they would only come to one meeting they would surely not want to miss another.

January 7th, being our literary evening, one of our members, Georgiana Dean, gave us a most thrilling description of her flight from London to Paris. Just im-

agine being up in a plane for over three hours and being almost deafened by the noise of the propellor and the engine! Miss Dean had an album full of pictures of the various places which she visited. All the girls of the G. F. S. want to go abroad now.

The second Thursday of the month, January 14th, was devoted to business and song. Quite a good combination, don't you think? We have been practicing for our entertainment which is going to be held Thursday evening, February 11th. You know the Friendly entertainments are always said to be successes. There is going to be a dance after this one with music supplied by a peppy orchestra. Don't miss a good time!

Plans for our dance were discussed at our meeting on January 21st and every girl is doing all she can to make it a big success.

After buying a ticket for the dance your pocketbook will not be flat, either.

E. H.

BOY SCOUTS

When Calvin Coolidge speaks of American prosperity he must have had in mind our Scout Troop. Our Troop is getting to be a "hum-dinger." Our cornucopia fairly bulges. That Fathers' and Sons' banquet taxed the room to capacity.

Do you happen to know that in 1926, when the good old U. S. A. celebrates its birthday, our Christ Church Troop will be ten years old? Give us a hundred and fifty years of co-operation, high ideals and hard work, and we'll show you a record, too, that will be a knock-out. Washington started something that was to be permanent. So did we. Christ Church has lasted over seventy-five years. Why? Well, because it rendered a service to the community for one thing. And if it continues to house philanthropic enterprises such as the Scouts it will still be doing business at the old stand in 2026.

G. I. B.

Miss Blunt—"There was a man in church this morning who looked exactly like you."

Mr. Close—"How do you know it wasn't I?"

Miss Blunt—"Oh I saw him put a dollar bill in the contribution box."—Boston Transcript.



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8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily

6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily

At Home Saturday Evenings

PARISH NOTES

Editor

THE RECTOR

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Vestry

James M. Woodroffe (1901), Rector's Warden.
Edward Bains (1914), Accounting Warden.
Sheldon Potter (1885)
William R. Pugh (1889)
William N. Johnson, M. D. (1893)
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Richard H. Morris (1904)
U. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1915)
Thomas H. Carmichael, M. D. (1921)
John F. Davidson (1928)
William H. Clausen, Jr. (1924), Secretary

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
first Tuesday after Easter and on the first
Tuesday of June, October and January.

Miss Alice M. Preston, Parish Worker

Choirmaster, Owen J. W. Burness, 5905 Greene
Street

Chimemaster, John F. Arndt.

Verger, Arthur Powers

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—

Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.

Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.

Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.

The Daughters of the King—Third Tuesday,
8 P. M.

Girls' Friendly Society—Thursday, 8 P. M.

Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.

Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.

Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—First Monday, 2 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.

Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.

Vestment Guild—First Friday.

St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.

Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.

Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.

Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

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Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.



"And when they had bound Him, they led Him away and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate, the Governor."



SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Monday		Good Friday
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.	Penitential Office. Pro-
Service and Meditation..	4.45 P. M.	Anaphora. Address.
Tuesday		10.30 A. M.
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.	Three Hour Meditation
Service and Meditation..	4.45 P. M.	on the "Seven Words
Wednesday		From the Cross." Con-
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.	ducted by the Rev. Alfred
Service and Meditation..	4.45 P. M.	M. Smith, of St. Clem-
Litany and Address.	8.00 P. M.	ent's Church, Phila.
Maundy Thursday		12.00 M. to 3.00 P. M.
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.	Easter Even
Service and Address.	4.45 P. M.	Evening Prayer, Baptism 4.45 P. M.
Confirmation and Ad-		Easter Day
dress by the Rt. Rev. Ar-		Holy Communion.
thur W. Moulton, D. D.,		6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Bishop of Utah.	8.00 P. M.	Shortened Morning Prayer,
		Holy Communion, Ser-
		mon
		11.00 A. M.
		Church School Carol
		Service
		7.30 P. M.

HOLY WEEK

The "Forty Days" are now drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and we now enter Holy Week—into the mystery of the Passion of our Blessed Lord.

There rises before our eyes the Cross; and on the Cross—behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Son of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world!"

"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

Yes, dear Lord, it is "something to me"—something very real and painful to me. For I know that it is I, who have helped nail Thee to the cruel Cross. I know that it is I, who by my indifference, my faithlessness, my selfishness have driven the nails into Thy quivering hands and feet. I know that it is I, who, by my sin have pierced Thy heart and plaited the crown of thorns upon Thy brow. Lord, it is I! It is I! O, Lord, have mercy! O, Lord, forgive! O, Lord, strengthen me, make me more faithful, more loving, more true! O, Lord, hear my prayer and let my cry come unto Thee!

Lord Jesus, when we stand afar,
And gaze upon Thy Holy Cross,
In love of Thee, and scorn of self,
Oh, may we count the world as loss!
When we behold thy bleeding wounds,
And the rough way that Thou hast trod,
Make us hate the load of sin
That lay so heavy on our God.

O, Holy Lord, uplifted high,
With outstretched arms, in mortal woe,
Embracing in Thy wondrous love
The sinful world that lies below;
Give us an ever-living faith
To gaze beyond the things we see;
And in the mystery of Thy death
Draw us and all men unto Thee.

Let each one of us during this Holy Week, which now draws near, let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty, trifling schemes and vanities, and let us contemplate in wonder,

awe and love, the closing scene of our Lord's earthly life. Let us follow Him day by day from His triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city, He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly goes His way along the "Via Dolorosa," passing through the gates of the city, which rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary, to the Cross.

At the daily Celebrations of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated, accordingly, in Christ Church, every week day morning in Holy Week, until Maundy Thursday, inclusive. The service will be at half-past nine o'clock.

In the afternoons of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 4.45 there will be service and short "Meditation" on the Sacred Events of each day.

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton, D. D., Bishop of Utah, will visit this Parish and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The service will be at 8.00 o'clock.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday with the Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The Meditation will be conducted by the Rev. Alfred M. Smith, of St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and Address by the Rector.

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's suffering for the sins of the world

—where else would one want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation, in Intercession and in Prayer?

Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us, the awful sinfulness of our nature and the power of Redemption from sin through the sufferings of the Son of God.

Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood
Upbears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

EASTER COMMUNION

As these solemn days of Lent draw to a close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these past forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations, in His suffering and at the Cross, will be prepared and will yearn to be with Him on the Day of His Resurrection in the joy of Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of the Festivals" and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion.

Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies, our "holy thanksgiving."

If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord, we may truly share at the Holy Eucharist on Easter morning, the joy of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our Risen Lord and with all God's saints in "one Communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son, Christ our Lord" and with the "angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven," join in the beatific praise, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty."

This is the Communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw, "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day,

Heaven was opened"; and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's saints who draw near unto Him in spirit and in truth on this Great Day of the Lord—the Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

The Services on Easter Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion..... 6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Shortened Morning Prayer,
Holy Communion, Sermon. 11.00 A. M.
Church School's Easter
Carol Service 7.30 P. M.
Address by the Rev.
Charles E. Spalding.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week
Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M.

The Rector will be assisted in the Services on Easter Day by the Rev. William H. Cavanagh.

PROGRAM OF EASTER MUSIC

The following will be the program of music on Easter Day:

Processional: "The Day of
Resurrection!"
Anthem: "Christ Our Passover"
Schilling
Gloria Schilling
Te Deum in E Flat Gadsby
Office Hymn: "Jesus Christ is
Risen Today."
Communion Service H. H. Woodward
Kyrie, Gloria Tibi, and Sursum Corda
Sanctus Gounod
Benedictus Qui Venit Woodward
Agnus Dei and Gloria in Excelsis
H. H. Woodward
Offertory: "The Lord is my strength"
Novello
Recessional: "The strife is o'er,
the battle done."

The Easter Carol Service of the Church School will be held in the evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Choir Notes:

We regret to note that the solo tenor, Mr. Frederick Bartle, has had to resign from the Choir on account of failing health. The Music Committee has secured in his place Mr. Paul T. Ross, of St. Paul's Church, Overbrook.

Mr. Ross will begin his service at Christ Church on Easter Sunday.

Miss Martha B. Mellenry and Miss Louise M. Wilfong have become members of the Choir from the Church School.
O. J. W. B.

EASTER GREETINGS

The Rector wishes a Happy Easter, full of grace, and peace and joy to every Christian heart! Out of the darkness of Good Friday the Easter Light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with hope and joy.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back, from the brightness of Easter morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see the darkness was the precursor of the dawn.

What a difference it would make in every life, were we to see more clearly through the light of the Easter Day the meaning of the dark days of our life,—our failures, our temptations, our trials, the tragedies of our life!

God grant that on this Easter Day the members of our Parish may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, are, to those who trust and live in the spirit of Christ, the heralds of new life and hope and joy.

We may rejoice, then, even when we look into the grave: for we know that "He is not here, He is risen!"

Let us weave this blessed Easter truth into our lives! Let it give courage and hope to discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every soul; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection and the Life," said the Lord; "he that believeth in Me, though he be dead, yet shall be live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our offering, on Easter Day, should be an expression of our love and loyalty

to Jesus Christ. It should represent sacrifice. An Easter offering in any other spirit, is "a mere mockery," a travesty of the Easter Spirit.

Whilst I am deeply interested and sincerely hope that the full amount asked by the Vestry from the Congregation may be, as it should be, fully realized, I am not primarily interested in the amount. I am more interested that there shall be in every member of our Parish, the true spirit of Christian giving; that each gift may be an expression of true devotion to Christ and His Church. And, surely, no gift can rightly be called a "religious offering" that does not represent this spirit—the spirit of love and sacrifice!

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver is very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and more acceptable to God than the larger offering of the rich.

But my observation and experience during a long ministry has convinced me that the small coin in the offering is not given, as a rule, by the poorer members of the Parish. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldly, who have money to spend on themselves and for their own selfish ends, but economize in their gifts to God. And such giving, I repeat, is in no sense, worthy to be called a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of sacrifice; it does not represent the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services, in no sense, as a "collection." The term "collection," in reference to giving of money at the service of worship should never be used. It is an "offering," an offering to God, and, as such, is an essential part of the worship. The rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that "the devotions of the people shall be reverently brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it

(to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

David of old said "I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing." And, surely, if David realized the meaning and the significance of an "offering unto the Lord," no one who calls himself a Christian and a follower of Jesus Christ can be said to have any real part in the solemn and serious worship of God, who lightly "offers unto the Lord that which costs him nothing."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of love. And how much love is there in the person, how much Christian joy can come to anyone—who puts on the plate on Easter morning an insignificant amount, "that which costs him nothing?"

Freely have ye received, freely give."
C. H. A.

CONFIRMATION

The Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton, D. D., Bishop of Utah, will visit this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening (April 1st) to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. It is not yet "too late" for persons who are moved by the Holy Spirit of God to confess Jesus Christ, and be confirmed. Some day, it may be "too late." The Rector will be glad to talk with any one on this subject, after any service or by appointment. "Now is the accepted time, now is the day of Salvation!"

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials of the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the chancel on Easter Day in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday preceding Easter, not later than noon.

Names of senders of flowers, together with the names of those in whose memory the flowers are sent, are requested to accompany the gifts.

Persons who wish to forward money, contributions for flowers, may send the same either to the Rector or to Miss Chase, President of the Altar Guild, 152 East Washington Lane. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials placed on the altar. Contributions of money are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.

The plants and flowers are taken to the sick after Easter.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

An election of Vestrymen of this Parish is to be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 5th, between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M. Four Vestrymen are to be elected this year. The terms of four Vestrymen expire this Easter, viz., Messrs. Potter, Pugh, Johnson, Davidson.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

"Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestrymen one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate."

The Charter of Incorporation, Article 6, reads: "The Vestry of Christ Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat. Said election shall be by ballot and shall be held on Easter Monday in each and every year between such hours and upon such notice as the by-laws of said Church may provide; and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of, at least, two years next preceding any such election,

annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars each."

The vote of a plurality of the qualified electors voting at any such election shall be requisite for the election of any Vestryman."

EASTER CAROL SERVICE

The Easter Carol Service of the Church School will be held in the Church on Easter evening at 7.30 o'clock. The offering for Missions, which the members of the School have been gathering in their mite boxes during Lent, will be presented at that service. The Rev. Charles E. Spalding, rector of the Church of the Advent, Kennett Square, will address the School. Adult members of the Parish, and especially parents and friends of the scholars of the School, are cordially invited to be present at this service.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

It is gratifying to record that the work of the "Woman's Auxiliary" is progressing satisfactorily. Our meetings have been fairly well attended, especially the last business meeting on March 1st and the sewing meeting on March 7th, when we had the pleasure of having with us several new members.

The reports of our delegates have been particularly interesting. From the "Buffet Supper" and the "Diocesan Lecture Benefit" held on January 29th we realized over \$170.00. This will be utilized in helping to furnish a Woman's Parlor in the Parish House.

We are planning to have a "Missionary Tea" in April (the date will be announced later) and we trust that the women of Christ Church will co-operate with us in making this affair truly a success. We appeal most urgently to the people of our Parish to give us any "Rummage" which they might have from time to time for our Annual Sale—we will gladly collect the same, if you will kindly notify the writer.

Mrs. James Eckersley, Chairman of

the Sewing department of our Auxiliary, has managed the work in a most capable manner, so that our Sewing for the early part of the year will soon be completed.

We have been calling on some of the "newcomers" in the Parish lately and plan to visit a good many others in the immediate future.

Could we but gain the interest and co-operation of all the women of Christ Church, in our missionary endeavors, at this time, surely 1926 would prove a banner year for our branch of the "Auxiliary."

"Christ hath no hands but our hands, To do His work today"—

"He is counting on you—
He has need of your life
In the thick of the strife:
For that weak one may fall
If you fail at His call.
He is counting on you,
If you fail Him—
What then?"

L. W. Robinson,
Phone, Gtn. 7756.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

The Young People's Fellowship has been very busy during the past month. On Monday evening, February 15th, a Valentine Party for members of the Fellowship and their friends was held in the Parish House, and proved a big success.

We are now in the Lenten Season, and wish to invite all members of the Church Sunday School who are over fifteen years of age, and who are not already members of The Young People's Fellowship, to come around to one of the meetings, and join our organization. Special subjects of particular interest during Lent are being discussed, and so far have developed into very helpful and interesting topics. New members are being added to the roll every week, and we are working for more.

Don't forget the time, 6.45 every Sunday evening in the Parish House.

An interesting and a social time is guaranteed to all who attend.

J. L. M.

A NEW FURNACE IN THE RECTORY

The fore part of March the furnace in the rectory suddenly ended its long and useful career by refusing to render further service.

It chose a time to retire from service, very inconvenient and inopportune for the Rector and his family—the season of Lent and the thermometer half way between zero and the freezing point.

The furnace was completely worn out and it was necessary for the vestry to have installed at once a new furnace, the cost of the new furnace was over \$700.00.

The Property Committee was most faithful in their attention and oversight of the work and credit is also due to Mr. Harry Keenan and his efficient workmen for the promptness and skill with which the work was accomplished.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

We wish to inform our friends, those who are housekeepers, that we have just received a new supply of crash for towels for the kitchen. We also have been working on aprons, plain gingham and cretonne trimmed. We have for sale wash cloths and turkish towels with crocheted edges. A new lot of bright, pretty rag rugs is also awaiting purchasers.

Please look over your stock of these useful household articles and give the Mothers' Meeting an order for your new supply.

A. M. M.

JUNIOR DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

At the request of Dr. Arndt and on invitation of Mrs. John S. Wurts, six girls—members of Christ Church— assembled Friday, February 19th, at the home of Mrs. Wurts at No. 267 East Johnson Street to form a junior order of The Daughters of the King. Dr. Arndt met with them and addressed

them, instructing as to the meaning, obligations and privileges of being indeed a Daughter of the King. It is the purpose of these girls meeting twice each month to enter upon definite study of prayer, worship and service as found in the Bible, that they may be fitted for thoughtful service for Christ and His church. All girls who desire to deepen the spiritual life and to bring this blessing to others are invited to join with them.

The officers of the Order will be chosen at the next meeting.

D. W. W.

ST. CHRISTOPHER GUILD

At the last meeting of the St. Christopher Guild held in the Rectory, the following Crucifers were appointed.

March

Morning service: Granville Klink.

Evening service: George Bland.

April

Morning service: Richard Sutcliffe.

Evening service: James Malony.

May

Morning service: John Byers.

Evening service: Arthur Hallock.

The next meeting will be held on March 15th.

J. L. M.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY OF CHRIST CHURCH

The G. F. S. has held its regular weekly meeting every Thursday night at eight o'clock. Miss Brown has been coming up from South Philadelphia every week during Lent to have a Mission Study Class. The topic of discussion in the class has been Latin America and Miss Brown makes it very interesting by telling little stories which are illustrations of certain things. Names of missionaries were given to the girls at the first meeting and each girl is supposed to pray every night for her missionary. The girls have made a splendid showing at these meetings and I'm sure they all appreciate Miss Brown's interesting and instructive course and her effort in coming so far to be with us each week.

E. H.



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CHANGE OF HOUR FOR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Beginning the last Sunday in June, the Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 27, and continuing until the third Sunday in September, the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 19th (inclusive) the hour of the mid-day Sunday Service will be at half past ten, instead of eleven o'clock.

This change of hour to half past ten will bring the mid-day service to a cooler part of the day. It will also afford the members of the Church School the opportunity of attending the church service. During the summer months of last year there was a large attendance at the church service on the part of the members of the School. A short talk will be given to the young people, preceding the sermon. The entire service will be over before noon.

The hour of the other Sunday services will remain the same, viz: Holy Communion, Every Sunday at 7.30 A. M. Evening Prayer with short address, 7.45 o'clock.

Please remember the hour of the Mid-day Service—10.30 Daylight Saving time, beginning Sunday morning, June 27th and continuing to Sunday, September 19th inclusive.

The week-day services will be omitted during the summer months until St. Matthew's Day, September 21st, when there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.

The Rector is glad to announce that the Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, who has had charge of the services at Christ Church during July for several years past will have charge again this year during the same month. Mr. Goodman has a rare talent for addressing young people and his short talks to the members of the Church School, preceding the usual sermon, are enjoyed by young and old alike. His sermons, also, are full of Gospel truth and always spiritually helpful.

The Rector is equally fortunate in securing for the month of August the services of the Rev. William W. Steel, formerly rector of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia, and later, Archdeacon of Cuba.

The services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time, if word is left with the sexton at the Parish House, telephone Victor 9650.

DANGER

A danger comes to all of us in summer time. The danger is to become careless or indifferent about our religious observances and especially about our Church attendance. Of course, no one who regulates his life on Christian principle will neglect his religious life in summer any more than he will in winter, but, unfortunately, all of us do not regulate our religious life on principle. Too many act according to our whims or our fancy or convenience, and, therefore, when warm weather comes we find it very easy to offer excuses for absentsing ourselves from Divine Service. The state of the weather, the distance from Church and other excuses are easily found as sufficient reasons for absence, and the conscience is lulled to sleep.

What a fearful danger befalls the man or woman when such excuses are allowed to keep them away from regular attendance at the House of God! How unspeakably sad it is to see church-men and women give way to these temptations, and to find them on Sundays, at the time they should be at worship, on the golf links, or on an automobile trip, or abandoning for some other trivial reason, the altar of God!

Golf, automobiles and other outdoor recreations are good and wholesome, and refreshment for both body and mind. But no sane man or woman will say that these things, good as they are, are or can be substitutes for worship. They can and do refresh the mind and body. But man is more than mind and body. He has a soul which craves and

needs refreshment; and these recreations which give refreshment to mind and body are not sufficient to nourish the soul: and what shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

Let us then, my friends, beware, lest in resting our minds and bodies, during these summer months, we starve our souls. We must not, cannot afford in summer to lay aside our worship. The weary mind and the weary body need rest and refreshment and should have them. The soul, too, needs and must have refreshment, and for it there can be only one source from which it can receive nourishment and strength, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is," says the Apostle. And our blessed Lord, Who knew the needs of all men has said: "Come unto Me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will refresh you," "Verily, verily, I say unto you except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you!"

POOR CHILDREN'S COUNTRY WEEK

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 20th. It will cost \$8.00 to send a poor child to the country for one week where it can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food. It has been the Rector's custom for several years past to secure from various organizations for the poor the names of the most needy and worthy families living in the congested portion of the city—in the small dirty courts and alleys. By personal visits to these so-called "homes" the sickly and most needy children are selected and arrangements made for a week's outing in the country and, in some cases for a longer period of time. Occasionally a poor, overworked mother is also sent with her children.

This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give; and what a great opportunity it affords to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and can get away for rest and recreation during the

hot summer months, to remember the less fortunate and more needy who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city.

The amount received last year from the members of Christ Church for the Poor Children's Outing Fund was \$205.00. This was divided among the "Children's Country Week Association," the "Union Settlement House," the "Bedford Street Mission" and the "Episcopal City Mission," organizations which are doing social work among the poor of our city.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Rt. Rev. Arthur W. Moulton, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Utah, confirmed in Christ Church on Maundy Thursday evening, April 1st. The CClass consisted of 11 males and 16 females, total 27. The following are the names of those confirmed:

Ard, Gertrude
Baker, Lydia Eyre
Brown, Frank Ellison
Brown, Mary Ann
Brush, Beatrice Marguerite
Brush, Chauncey Hubbard
Courtney, John Davidson
Coyle, George William, Jr.
DeLong, Pauline Elsie
Fitch, Ruth Florence
Ford, Ethel Marguerite
Haines, William Henry, Jr.
Hance, Doris Yarnell
Hill, Frank Patterson
Huckel, Vera
Keenan, Mary Elizabeth
Kelley, Alice June
MacIver, Richard Gould
Oshorne, James William
Parks, Clara
Scott, Maud Keenan
Scott, Maud Lynn
Scott, Walter Garfield
Stephens, Ray Henry
Taylor, Phillip Justice
Tyler, Martha Mortford
Wright, Josephine

ACCOUNTING WARDEN'S REPORT

The Accounting Warden regrets that he cannot report the Easter offering to have reached the amount necessary to extinguish the deficit as reported by the Lenten letter of the Vestry to the Congregation. The offering was, however, a liberal one and the largest for several years, amounting to \$1232.46.

That the members of Christ Church may better realize the amount necessary to be raised to meet the running expenses of our Parish and the necessity of each and every one doing their part that the work may continue, it has been thought advisable to place before the congregation a financial statement showing the income and expenditures of the Parish for the past calendar year of 1925 that it may be seen just how the income has been expended.

RECEIPTS

Envelope Contributions	\$5,988.02
Plate Offerings	932.05
Special Offerings in lieu of pew rent	742.59
Easter offering (1925)	1,020.65
Christmas Offering (1925) ...	311.60
Miscellaneous	42.07
Legacies and Investments ...	4,065.57
Interest on Deposit	9.15
Repair Fund (Blue Envelopes)	538.79
Sunday School Offering	627.40
Deficit for Current Year	848.66

\$15,126.55

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	\$6,663.92
Choir and Chimes	2,199.95
Taxes, Insurance and Water Rents	561.17
Fuel and Lights	1,093.39
Repairs to Property	1,248.98
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,737.46
Clergy Pension Fund	315.00
Interest on Loans	61.87
Sunday School	720.00
Episcopal Convention and Sustentation Funds	524.81

\$15,126.55

The above deficit as shown would not have been a serious matter, but for the fact that there was carried forward a similar deficit from 1924, making a total deficit on December 31, 1925, of approximately \$1600. Since this date, owing to the extraordinary expenses incidental to the repairs to the heating plants in both the Parish House and also the Rectory, this deficit has increased till it became necessary to ask an offering of \$2000 at Easter. As the amount of the Easter offering was \$1232.46, there remains still a deficit which is most advisable to meet as

quickly as possible. If any were not able to make their offering at Easter and would still send it to either the Rector or the Accounting Warden, it will be most gratefully received.

It is very gratifying to report that the 1925 quota asked for the missionary work of the Church was met in full. The amount for which we were asked was \$4500, and our total offerings for the purpose were as follows,—Church Missionary Offerings, \$2,626.18 Sunday School Missionary

Offerings	1,254.58
Women's Auxiliary Missionary Offerings	500.00
Miscellaneous	226.85
	\$4,607.61

There are still many of our members who are not regular contributors through the envelope system. If all would contribute regularly in this manner, a deficit would be a thing of the past and each and every member of our Parish would have the satisfaction of knowing that he or she was taking part in the support of the work of our parish. Should anyone desire envelopes, if they will give their name to the rector or the accounting warden, such envelopes will be gladly furnished.

Edward Bains,
Accounting Warden.

NOTICE TO ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

It would be a great favor to the Warden and a great benefit to the church if the subscribers through the envelope system, who intend to be away during the summer will kindly pay in advance before they leave Germantown, the amount of their subscription for the Sundays they expect to be absent. The expenses of the parish have to be met regularly and promptly during the summer months as well as during the winter, and when parishioners leave their weekly subscriptions unpaid for a length of time the Warden who depends upon these payments to meet the expenses of the parish, is compelled to borrow money from the bank and pay interest thereon.

THE UNITED THANK OFFERING

The presentation service of the "Women's United Thank Offering" was held in St. James' Church, 22nd and Walnut Sts., April 29th at 10.30 A. M. Bishop Garland was the celebrant at the Communion service and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Benjamin Bird, rector of St. Asaph's Church, Bala. It was a most inspiring service. I wish every woman from Christ Church could have been present. Our semi-annual offering presented at this service from the women of Christ Church was \$105.58, which was much larger than last year. We would like to increase the number of contributors from our Parish. Please ask for a blue box, so that every woman may have a share in the Thank Offering.

—Mrs. Charles Heyer,
Parish Treasurer of U. T. O.,
75 West Johnson St.

ARE Y-O-U MISSING SOMETHING?

Colonel Sheldon Potter is giving a series of talks on the Bible every Sunday morning, quarter to ten o'clock in the Parish House. All the men of the Parish, young and old, are invited to hear these highly instructive and interesting talks.

Frederick Lennig,
President Men's Bible Class.

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It is said that depreciation of properties amount about 2% per year.

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Frederick Lennig,
Chairman Property Committee.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

Pleasant chats with friends, an inspiring and helpful talk from Miss Preston, a short service with a hymn, followed by ice cream, cake and coffee, a reminder of the work for the Needle Work Guild during the vacation, good-byes and best wishes for the summer, and the Mothers' Meeting was closed for the season of 1925 and 1926.

The meetings have been very pleasant, the attendance fine, much work done and we are hoping for all the old members and many new ones to be with us next October.

A. M. M.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Girls' Friendly rounded up their Mission Study Class the week before Good Friday, with a successful six weeks' study, under Miss Bertha Brown. There has been an expressed desire to have another next Lent.

The effort of this organization for the Spring months is to make some money to carry on their activities, both parochial and diocesan. This effort has opened with a Movie Benefit at the Germantown Theatre beginning the week of the 24th of May.

Every member of the G. F. S. in the Diocese of Pennsylvania is busy preparing for the Annual Garden Party to be held at the Germantown Cricket Club on Saturday, May 22nd, from 4 to 8 p. m. There will be quite an elaborate program, including track meet, supper, tables of home made cake and candy, soft drinks, flowers, and many other things too numerous to mention.

The AIM is \$1000.

The PURPOSE is the completion of the National Centre at Washington, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the G. F. S. A. in America.

In the meantime we are doing some social service work, and will try to keep together this summer by every now and then having a picnic or a trip somewhere, a good movie, especially out door things.

L. J. J.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Easter Carol Service was well attended, in fact better than usual by both scholars and their parents. The singing was hearty and we all enjoyed the talk of the Rev. Mr. Spaulding.

Our Easter offering for missions was \$801.72 which is the second largest for many years and was accomplished by individual effort as we had no fair or class sales as last year, so we can feel well satisfied with the result of our work this year.

The presentation of the offering of all the church schools of the Diocese was made at Holy Trinity Church on May 9th and about 30 of our School went and joined the procession which completely encircled Rittenhouse Square. We were near the end of the line so were unable to get into the Church, so about 350 from various Schools attended an overflow meeting in the parish house and we had Bishop Hulse of Cuba and the other speakers of the Church Meeting came in and talked to us. It was announced that the schools which could not get into the Church this year could have reserved seats next year. There must have been nearly 2000 members of the schools present at both meetings. When the amount given by the various schools was read by Dr. Caley it was found that Christ Church school stood num-

ber 24 in the list of over 200 schools.

To go back to our Easter Service. The superintendent reported that 35 scholars had attended a year or more without missing. They were:

One Year Class

Robert McIlhenny, John Courtney, Corinne Bose, Jean Fitch, Charles Ard, Ruth Carmint, Gertrude Ard, Harriet Fitch, Mrs. C. B. Christ.

Two Year Class

William Stryke, Clarence Foy, Jane Courtney, George Johnston, Beatrice Johnson, Ruth Fitch.

Three Year Class

Florence Osborne, Marjorie Stryke.

Four Year Class

Alberta Wright, Jeanette Gilfillan, Robert Klink, Marjorie Wismer, Graham Klink, Allen Fermier, Helen Jackson, Margaret Boyer.

Five Year Class

Anna Bradley, Howard Logan, Mary Johnson, Josephine Wright, James Osborne.

Six Year Class

Mary Keenan, Martha McHenry, Nancy Courtenay.

Seven Year Class

Elizabeth Hass.

Eleven Year Class

Mrs. Elizabeth Baishbrown.
The total of these 35 members is 135 years and 11 Sundays or an average of nearly 4 years each.

The girls had a total of 98 years. The boys had a total of 37 years. Miss Morgan's class number 12 took first place with four scholars and a total of 20 years and 27 Sundays.

This record of regular attendance has been shown to several superintendents who asked for it to use as an example in their own schools.

Promotions

The following were promoted from the Primary Department to the Main School:

John Rickard, James McLaren, Donald Pritchard, Dorothy Christ, Marjorie Wright, Dorothy Smith, Mary Briggs, Mary Armstrong, William Armstrong, Adele Lunn.

During the past year the leaders of the "Star Class" list (every member present) were

Mr. Whitby's class, 13 times.

Miss Jordan's and Mr. Melville's Class, each 8 times.

During the year our offerings were:
Easter (1925) Mission Fund...\$ 965.00
Children's Country Week 90.50
Advent for poor of neighborhood 158.49
Envelopes 1st Sunday each month 178.09

Total for Missionary Work...\$1,392.08
For church support (envelopes) 627.57

Total offerings for year\$2,019.65

The school sessions close for the year on June 20th. Please note the date which is one week earlier than usual.

During the Summer beginning June 27th we will attend the Church Service at 10.30 as we have for the last few years. Dr. Arndt states that Rev. Mr. Goodman will be here for the month of July, which we are glad to hear. Rev. William M. Steel, formerly Archdeacon of Cuba, will be in charge during August. Rally Sunday will be Sunday, September 19th.

R. H. M.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The outstanding event of last month's activities of the Woman's

Auxiliary was a "Missionary Tea" held in the Parish House.

Two speakers, Mr. Forster of St. John's College, Shanghai, China, and Rev. William W. Steel, formerly Archdeacon of Cuba, had been secured for the occasion. Their talks were most interesting and made us feel that we must do our utmost to help them in their work. To this end we have decided to hold rummage sales every spring and fall.

We hope everyone will bear this in mind and save us anything for which they have no further use.

During July and August the meetings will be discontinued. The next meeting will be Monday, June 7th at 2 o'clock in the Parish House.

We send out an urgent plea to all the women of the Parish to come to our meetings and help us in this most necessary and uplifting work.

A. F. W.

THE JUNIOR GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

of Christ Church met at our Parish House Thursday afternoons during the Lenten season. Twenty-seven girls were registered. Our program consisted of a short service, missionary stories were told, maps decorated and useful articles made.

Miss Dietz, Miss Preston and Mrs. Hallock gave their time in assisting the girls, and Miss Morgan also helped.

The children who registered were:

Jane Pratt, Louise McElhinney, Juliette Grisard, Phyllis Wiseman, Harriet Fitch, Anna Bradley, Margaret Dillion, Anna Boyd, Eleanor Walker, Gurney Thomas, Jean Hayhurst, Doris McCoy, Charlotte Graham, Margaret Connor, Ruth Mooney, Virginia Dillion, Virginia Randal, Jean Levy, Alice Taylor, Beatrice Graham, Dorothea Brown, Marjorie Mooney, Alice Stiver, Edith Good, Alice Roberts, June Right and Mildred Ierhard.

The officers were as follows: Juliette Grisard, President; Jane Pratt, Secretary; Louise McElhinney, Treasurer.

Saturday, May the eighth, the annual Service for Candidates of the Girls' Friendly Society was held at

St. Michael's Church. About four hundred were present. It was an inspiring service. The Rev. Philip Steinmetz, formerly a member of our Sunday School and at present Rector of St. Paul's Church, Elkins Park, delivered an interesting address. He wanted us children to remember a word of four letters, G-R-O-W and emphasize each letter by comparing it with some object or thing—G for ground, R for roots, O for obedience, and W for work.

Prizes for posters, sewing and knitting and compositions were awarded, after which ice cream was served.

J. G.

THE JUNIOR ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

have been meeting regularly on the evenings of the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

The Chapter has been organized; the officers having been appointed by Dr. Arndt; President, Helen McHenry; Secretary, Marjorie Stryke; Treasurer, Betty Maloney. These officers will serve for one year. The members are earnestly pursuing some practical studies of the Bible, that they may enter more fully into the privileges of Christian living. Good fellowship abounds. Real endeavor has prevailed and already the group feels that it is having "life more abundantly."

On Easter Even the members of the Order presented the Rector with a white embroidered stole which was received with deep appreciation by the Rector.

After the service on Sunday evening, May 16th, an admission service of the Order was held in the Church. The Rector received the following persons as members:

Senior Member—Mrs. Dorothy W. Wurts. Junior Members—Jeannette Gilfillian, Betty Maloney, Helen McHenry, Martha McHenry, Marjorie Stryke, Rose Taylor, Annette Wells, Lulu Wilfong.

D. W. W.

BOY SCOUTS

Nothing succeeds like success. One successful boy in a family tends to lift the whole group.

You can say anything you please about Troop 153, you can't deny that it is a success. Boys come without being asked—they improve as they attend from week to week and now that the Troop enjoys a ten year history with pride it is possible to point out successful young men who testify that Scouting helped to place them where they are today.

Those of us who manage the Troop know well that we should and indeed we do share our pride with Christ Church which has provided the background of the enterprise.

Let us not dwell in the past. The Troop Patrols have just been rearranged—the equipment department also, and we are off to a start that will carry us through the summer. A canoe trip is planned. The Fathers' Association is working up an Outing for the Scouts as usual—and oh, Boy! happy is he who belongs.

But—and it is a big but—you get nowhere in 153 without hard work. It is not one of those organizations which you join, pay your dues, enjoy social prestige if you have the funds and die unsung.

In 153 even the position of the chair you sit upon indicates the work you do. Such is Scouting—an aristocracy of merit.

In the days of the Spelling Bee men learned how to spell or dropped to the foot of the class. Scouting is a spelling bee raised to the 'nth power covering most everything from carpentry to astronomy. To stand still in the Troop is to drop back because the rest of the Scouts are advancing. Perhaps it is this ebb and flow of personalities that makes the work so fascinating to boys and men alike.

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FAMILY SUNDAY

Sunday Before Christmas, December 19th

We are to have again this year in Christ Church a "Family Sunday." Last year it was an inspiring sight to see so many families sitting together and worshipping together in Christ Church on Family Sunday. I am very anxious that there shall be even a larger number of families present this year, and I am asking **all the parents** in the Parish to gather together their children, both old and young, big and little, from near and far and be with them in Christ Church on Family Sunday. And I am asking the **young people** of the Parish, if their fathers or mothers (more often the fathers) have become indifferent to Church attendance and have strayed away from public worship, to lovingly ask your parents if they will not, please, come **with you** and worship **with you** in Christ Church on "Family Sunday." Your parents love you and will always endeavor to grant every reasonable request. Even the hardest-hearted father has been known to be turned by the example of a little child! And no parent in the Parish will be able to resist such a request from their child. "A little child shall lead them." And so, with parents and children co-operating, each with the other, we shall have a wonderful "Family Sunday" in Christ Church,—a Sunday which will linger long in the memory of both old and young.

That the Sunday next before Christmas may be a memorable Sunday I have sent out to the families of the Parish the following pastoral letter:

Christ Church Rectory, December 15th, 1926.

To the Parents and Young People of

Every Household in Christ Church, Germantown.

My dear Friends:

Not so many years ago, Church-going by the whole family was an established habit. The family pew was an institution, just as much as the family table.

To many of us older men and women, one of the most hallowed memories of our childhood days, is that of father and mother and the children of the household attending Divine service together and all sitting together in the family pew on the "Lord's Day." Often, two and three generations could be seen seated together in God's house, for His worship and praise.

The family, as a unit, attended the Services of the Church. No other engagements were made. Nothing was allowed to interfere. Inclement weather did not cause the family pew to remain vacant, nor did trifling illness.

This beautiful custom is one of the old things that deserves to survive. The change in living conditions does not provide a valid alibi.

We all realize the seriousness of the present-day influences which tend to disintegrate the family life and family worship. It is, therefore, the duty of every conscientious parent and of every seriously-minded boy and girl to exert every effort and to use every means to guard the "home" from the insidious influences which today are fast tending toward its destruction and ruin.

I, therefore, urge that **Every Family in the Parish** be present, as a Unit, at the eleven o'clock service next Sunday morning, December 19th. This will be the Fourth Sunday in Advent, the **Sunday next before Christmas Day**.

It will be an opportune time, a time when the scattered members of the household will be turning their ways homeward, to be together on Christmas Day in the "family home."

Let us make it, also, an occasion when all members of the family will meet together in their "Church home"—father, mother and children, two generations and perhaps, three generations, coming **together**, sitting **together**, and kneeling **together** in united prayer and worship.

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Will it not be an inspiring sight? Will not such a scene bring back to the older members blessed memories of days long gone by, when they, too, worshipped side by side with loving parents in the "family pew?" Will it not help to impress our children, in this restless, ruthless age, when so many influences are striving to break up the family unity,—will not such a scene and such an experience, now so rare, help to impress our children with the sanctity of the "family life" and the beauty and holiness of the "sweet hour of prayer?"

I affectionately urge **every** member of **every** family in the Parish to be present in Church next Sunday morning, December 19th, and sit **together**, and pray **together**, and worship **together**.

And should there be some member of the family "absent" from the family pew on that "Family Sunday," will not our thoughts and prayers go out to them and be with them and they with us, as we kneel and pray, "Our Father?"

On that Sunday, as parents and children kneel together before God's altar in united prayer and praise and worship, surely, the limitations of time and space will fade away, and we will look up to and through and beyond the gates of Paradise into that higher and fuller life above and feel the holy influence of those "absentones" flowing back into our lives, and "see those angel faces smile, which we have loved long since, and lost awhile."

"One family, we dwell in Him,
One Church above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death."

It will be the power of this truth that will lay hold upon the hearts of old and young alike, as we, united in one family, meet together in God's house on "Family Sunday" and join in common prayer and praise and worship to Him Who is the Father of the living and the dead.

Faithfully your friend and Rector,
CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

CAROL SERVICE AND HOLY COMMUNION AT MIDNIGHT ON CHRISTMAS EVE

A Celebration of the Holy Communion will be held on Christmas Eve, December 24th. The Service will be preceded by the singing of Christmas Carols at 11.00. The Communion Service will begin promptly at 11.30.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Services on Christmas Day will be as follows:

Holy Communion, 6.30 and 7.30 A. M.

Holy Communion, preceded by shortened Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11.00 A. M.

The Offering at all Services on Christmas Day will be for our Parish Quota for the Clergy Pension Fund (formerly called the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund).

The Rector will be assisted on Christmas Day by the Rev. William

H. Cavanagh and the Rev. Thomas Bell. The many friends of Rev. Mr. Bell are glad to welcome him back to Christ Church Parish.

CHRISTMAS

In our observance of Christmas we should not lose sight of the religious character of the day. It should be clearly borne in mind that Christmas is not a secular feast, but is distinctively a **religious** festival. The Day should, therefore, not be wholly given over to festivities and amusements, as harmless as these may be in themselves but should be observed in a manner befitting its sacred associations. It should be a day of joyfulness, of holy Christian joyfulness, but not of frivolity. Well may this Day, on which the child Jesus was born, be a day peculiarly joyful to children, and the season of the happy gathering of families with father, mother and children worshipping together in the House of God; "of sending portions to those

for whom nothing is prepared"; of gifts to the poor and of good-will to all men. This should be the spirit of Christmas, and the feasting, the merriment and the amusement must not be put in place of this. In other words, the religious observance of the Day must come first in importance. It should be a day of worship or else the whole meaning of Christmas is lost. On the first Christmas morn "there was no room for Christ in the inn." Is there not danger today that we, too, will deny Him room; that our hearts and minds and the hearts and minds of the children will be crowded full of the pleasures and occupations of the world and there will be found "no room for Christ?" Let each one, therefore, bear in mind the religious significance of Christmas Day and come to God's House and kneel before Him; "come and worship, worship Christ the new born King."

MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

The following is the program of music, arranged for Christmas Day by Mr. H. Gordon Thomas, Choirmaster.

Processional 76 "Christian, Awake,
Salute the Happy Morn"
VeniteTucker
GloriasTucker
Te DeumD. Buck (Festival)
Gloria TibiJ. Stainer
Hymn 70 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"
Anthem—Sing, O Heavens ..B. Tours
Sursum CordaJ. Stainer
SanctusGounod (St. Cecelia)
BenedictusGounod (St. Cecelia)
Agnus DeiJ. Stainer
Gloria in excelsisB. Tours
Recessional 73 "Hark the Herald
Angels Sing"

THE CHURCH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The annual Christmas Service of Christ Church School will be held on the first Sunday after Christmas at 3.30 P. M. This year the day of the Service is the day after Christmas and also

the feast of St. Stephen—a very appropriate time for the service. The children of the School will assemble in their rooms in the Parish House at 3 P. M. From there they will march into the Church promptly at 3.30.

The address will be given by the Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, Rector of St. Paul's Church, South Philadelphia, a former scholar in Christ Church School.

Rehearsal of the Christmas Carols has begun under the direction of the new Choirmaster, Mr. Thomas.

The parents and friends and families of the members of the Church School, and all members of the Parish are urged to be present at this service.

E. M. H.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

With the approach of Christmas we again look forward with pleasure to our annual Church School Christmas entertainment, which will be held on Wednesday, December 29th in the Parish House. The Primary Department will have its entertainment at 3 P. M. and a happy time is promised to the little folks. The entertainment of the Senior Department will be at 7.30 P. M. The members of the Young People's Fellowship have volunteered to take charge of the entertainment of the Senior Department and they are planning attractive festivities. Santa Claus has promised to be present on both occasions. We hope that the Parish will be well represented at both entertainments. Come, you older folks, especially if you have children in the Church School, and enjoy the fun with us younger folks.

E. M. H.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS GREENS

Persons who wish to contribute to the expense of purchasing holly and laurel for the decoration of the Church for the Christmas season are requested

to give or send their contributions to Mr. Richard H. Morris, 6604 Wayne Avenue.

The work of decorating is done by the young men of the Parish, as a labor of love.

LETTER FROM THE ACCOUNTING WARDEN

The Accounting Warden submits the following statement showing receipts and expenditures for the first eleven months of the present year and also comparison figures for the preceding year.

RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES From Jan. 1st to Nov. 30th, 1926 also 1925		
RECEIPTS	1926	1925
From—		
Plate Offerings.....	\$ 866.59	\$ 706.69
Envelope Offerings.....	5,648.84	5,228.98
Special Contributions..	364.24	564.25
Repair Fund (Blue Envelope) ..	503.49	418.21
Interest on Deposits...	8.89	9.15
Church School (10 mos.)	508.83	495.94
Interest on Investments and Endowments....	4,071.97	3,879.26
Miscellaneous	40.42	41.67
Easter Offering and Other Offerings..	1,223.63	1,040.50
Anniversary Fund, acct. Choir	100.00	100.00
	\$13,336.90	12,484.65
EXPENDITURES		
For—		
Salaries	\$ 5,918.00	\$6,098.92
Clergy Pension Fund ..	315.00	315.00
Organist and Choir	2,421.38	2,177.39
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,345.97	1,466.81
Taxes, Insurance, Water Rents	460.25	556.57
Fuel and Lights.....	372.57	1,073.61
Church School (10 mos.)	600.00	600.00
Repairs and Improvements	1,217.23	1,022.38
Interest on Loans	68.45	56.09
Episcopal Convention & Sustentation Fund.....	373.80	437.40
	\$13,092.65	13,804.17
Bills Outstanding and Unpaid		
For—		
Coal	\$770.00	
Episcopal and Convention Fund	124.61	
Repairs to Heater.....	136.65	
	1,031.26	
	\$14,123.91	
Income as above	13,336.90	
Deficit for 11 mos. 1926	\$787.01	

It will be seen by the foregoing that although our receipts have been slight-

ly increased owing largely to the large amounts received from the Johnson Legacy and also from the income of the money invested from the sale of the Washington Lane property, unless every effort is made, there will again be a deficit for the current year. This is not a healthy condition and it is hoped that the Christmas offering will be a liberal one that the obligations of the Church may be settled.

There are also some of the subscribers to the envelopes who are back in their payments and they are earnestly requested to make every effort to pay up these obligations before the end of the year.

The envelopes for 1927 will be ready for distribution on the last Sunday in December and it is hoped that as many as can will increase their present subscriptions if by only a small amount that the income from this source will be increased sufficiently to enable the Church to pay all of its obligations promptly. Any who are not subscribing through the envelope system will be furnished with envelopes for 1927 if they will give or send their names and pledges to the Accounting Warden.

Edward Bains,
Accounting Warden.

LIST OF PERSONS WHO HAVE FAILED TO USE THEIR ENVELOPES

A number of persons in the Parish, who received packages of envelopes a year ago, have failed to use their envelopes and the records of the Parish do not show that they have given anything to the Church throughout the entire year. The list is published below.

After receiving envelopes from the Church it would seem reasonable to expect that persons should use them or, at least, notify the Rector or the Accounting Warden of their desire to discontinue them. The pews in Christ Church are all free and unassigned and, therefore, the support of the work of the Church and its philanthropies is dependent upon the free will offering of those who consider themselves

members or who attend the service. A very large majority of the members contribute regularly and conscientiously through the Envelope System, but there are others who do not seem to recognize their personal responsibility and fail to realize the importance of systematic and regular giving. Will the holders of the following numbers in the envelope system, who, according to the Parish records have failed to use their envelopes during the past year, please respond or signify their desire to discontinue them? It is highly desirable that the books of the Accounting Warden shall not have on them as contributors the names of persons who have no interest or desire to give.

The list according to the records, is as follows: Numbers 6, 20, 22, 27, 33, 41, 49, 51, 52, 57, 59, 62, 64, 68, 71, 72, 76, 79, 80, 99, 106, 110, 136, 158, 167, 178, 185, 196, 200, 201, 221, 222, 235, 239, 249, 250, 251, 261, 262, 274, 281, 287, 292, 293, 294, 296, 297, 309, 318, 332, 335, 342, 378, 382, 383, 385.

VESTRY MEETING

A stated meeting of the Vestry will be held on Tuesday evening, January 6. Every member will be expected to be present.

CHURCH OPEN ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

There will be no service in the Church on New Year's Eve. The Church, however, will be open all evening until after midnight on New Year's Eve, for private prayer and devotions.

At midnight the Rector will be in the Church, and will say, with those who may be present, the Litany, together with special prayers and intercessions appropriate for the passing of the old and the coming in of the New Year. There will be the usual Celebration of the Holy Communion on January 1st (the feast of the Circumcision) at 9.30 a. m.

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR 1927

Church Calendars for 1927 marked

with the colors of the Church seasons and Scriptural lessons for the Sundays throughout the year, are in the hands of the Verger, and may be purchased from him at forty cents each. These Calendars are suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts.

JUNIOR DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Junior Order of the Daughters of the King invite you all to help them supply some of the immediate needs of a young mother with tubercular trouble, who can be restored to health if she has prompt and sufficient medical attention. For this purpose the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry of the City Mission and father of our president, will generously give of his time on Friday evening, December seventeenth, when he will present in Christ Church Parish House "The Other Wise Man" by Van Dyke in an illustrated lecture. Mr. McHenry will make it well worth your while to attend:—the pictures are exceptional and the story splendidly presented. Do come, support our efforts. You will also be able to buy all those Christmas gifts you haven't had time to make,—all that we offer are useful. Come, share our enthusiasm; you'll enjoy the evening. D. W. W.

CONFIRMATION

It is time for all persons in the Parish who have not been confirmed to begin to think seriously on the subject. Immediately after the Christmas holidays the Rector will begin to form the Class in Confirmation. The Bishop will visit this Parish on Maundy Thursday to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. All persons who are contemplating being confirmed or wish information on the subject are invited to confer with the Rector.

REVISED SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

The revised office of the Holy Communion, as authorized by the General Convention of the Church, is now used in this Parish. The changes are

minor, consisting principally in transposition of parts of the Office. The prayer known as the "Prayer of humble access" is placed after the prayer of Consecration, instead of, as formerly, before it. An optional use of a shortened form of the ten commandments is permitted. A response is provided to be used after the Gospel for the day. The Lord's Prayer is transposed to a place after the prayer of Consecration.

All the changes, although minor in character, are an improvement in the Service.

TO THE MEMBERS OF CHRIST CHURCH

My dear People:

At this time, when the Parish enters upon a new fiscal year, it is due to the members to know the condition of the financial affairs of the Church. The Accounting Warden has, therefore, made out a report and addressed a letter to the parishioners which appears in another column of this issue of the "Chimes." It should be read by everyone.

It is probably known to all that the change in policy from the renting of pews to a Church with all sittings and pews free has placed the responsibility for financial support of the Church and its work upon **everyone** who claims membership therein. The entire income, excepting that from legacies, is derived from pledges or free-will offerings.

Everyone should realize that the Church, while nominally in the care of the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, is only in their care as Trustees for the members and the Church is the medium through which the Kingdom of God is extended upon earth.

For the coming year the expenses for maintaining the Parish property and continuing the services and the work of the Parish are estimated at \$14,000.00, and for the work of the Church in spreading Christ's Gospel and doing Christ's works of mercy in this diocese, in the missionary districts of our country and throughout the world, as assigned to the Parish by the Executive Council, \$4,600.00, a total of \$18,600.00.

I am justly proud to say that, notwithstanding the extraordinary expense incurred during the past year and a half by the installation of our new organ in Christ Episcopal Church, the payment of pledges amounting to over \$20,000.00 has not been made at the sacrifice of our gifts to Missions. On the other hand, we have given to Missions during the past two years more than was ever given in the same period of time in the history of the Parish—a little more than the quota assigned to us. Not that everyone has done his or her full share—and in this I am saddened and disappointed; but a large number have risen to their personal responsibility and given generously. For this I am justly proud and profoundly thankful! I am confident that by these generous givers remaining faithful to their trust and by an increased number of "the others," who this year will surely be impressed with a sense of personal responsibility and privilege to share in the work of the Church joining the ranks of the loyal supporters, this coming year is full of promise.

We hear and will heed the command given by Jehovah to His chosen people: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward!"

We will go forward—God helping us! Everyone in Christ Church will do his or her Christian duty!

Faithfully yours,
Charles Henry Arndt.

Pledge cards may be found in the racks in the vestibule of the Church. It is hoped that **every member of every** family in the Parish will take one of these cards. Check up the amount on each side of the card that each person can afford to give, sign name and address and place the card in the alms plate at any service, or send it to the Rector or Accounting Warden. A package of envelopes for weekly offerings will then be sent to you. The pledge, being voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector or Warden. We want to aim to make Christ Church this year a 100 per cent. giving Parish! It can be done!

The financial needs of the Parish will be fully met and the Church's Missions, not only to far-off lands, but to our own diocese and city, will be fulfilled if everyone will follow the apostle's command: "Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. has been very busy for the past two months. We have had so much to do and think about that there has not been one idle moment.

Our first great success was the "Mother and Daughter Banquet," which was held on Tuesday evening, October 19th. If you do not believe that it was successful just ask anyone who was present at this wonderful feast and I'm sure they'll tell you about the fine time they had. After eating we were entertained with some vocal selections by our talented member, Miss Grace Gerhard. Everyone then joined in the games and after that there was dancing. And a good time was had by all!

The Provincial Council was held in Wilmington on November 19th, 20th and 21st. Mrs. Johnson and Miss Nancy Courtney attended this meeting and were very much enthused over the good time shown them by the residents of Wilmington.

The Neighborhood Conference was held in Chestnut Hill on November 15th at St. Paul's Church. There was a large representation from our Friendly and every girl had a good time.

Tuesday evening, November 30th, was our social night and we had a little party with tea, cakes and salted peanuts as refreshments.

We are now very busy thinking about Christmas. Every year we fill stockings for the boys and girls in the hospitals and we always set aside one Tuesday night for doing this.

Be sure to come and help us with this work. We shall be glad to welcome new members to the "Friendly."

E. H.

THE DIOCESAN CAMPAIGN

As the "Christ Church Chimes" goes to press the Diocesan Campaign to raise \$3,500,000 for the institutions and missions of the diocese is still in progress. We cannot, therefore, give, at this time, the final report of the Campaign.

The members of Christ Church Parish are keenly interested in the very worthy object of this Campaign, and whilst it has been impossible for the Parish Committee appointed by the Rector, to make a general canvass of the Parish, the response by those whom the Committee have been able to visit has been both hearty and generous. Up to the date of going to press, and with four days before the Campaign closes, the amount of subscriptions from the members of Christ Church totals \$9,780.00. There are several persons in the Parish who have not yet responded and will, undoubtedly do so, and it is expected that the total will amount to over \$10,000.00. This is a most commendable record, and the Parish Committee wish to express their hearty appreciation of the cordial spirit with which the members of the Parish welcomed them and the generous response which they received.

A final report will be made in the next issue of the "Chimes."

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The end of the year finds the Woman's Auxiliary still working and looking forward to more work and bigger results in the year to come. We are glad to report that the members of the Auxiliary, by great effort during the past year have been able to reach the goal, which they set for themselves, \$500 to help pay the missionary quota of the Parish. The Parish Supper which was given on December 2nd was a great success in every way and increased our fund to over \$500.

Our "sewing meetings" are held on the third Monday in the month. We are making garments to be sent to the mission field and we greatly need more members to help in the work. The regular business meetings are held on the first Monday of the month.

A.F.W.

Open Friday and Saturday Evenings

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MANY a heart will be made glad Christmas by the thoughtfulness of a friend in sending a small token in remembrance. The gift does not need to be an expensive one. To the contrary, some small trinket to carry your message of thought is all that is necessary. Here you will find hundreds of suitable little gifts, at a very small cost.

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CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

February 2nd—Presentation of Christ in the Temple.
February 6th—Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.
February 13th—Septuagesima.
February 20th—Sexagesima.
February 24th—St. Matthias.
February 27th—Quinquagesima.

ANNIVERSARY YEAR

This year, 1927, marks the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish. The Anniversary will be fittingly observed later in the year. In the meantime, every member of the Parish should endeavor to do his or her part in making the Anniversary Year the banner year in the history of the Parish. Let this be

OUR AIM 1927

Every Member a Regular Worshipper.
Every Worshipper a Faithful Worker.
Every Worker a Generous Giver.
Every Giver a Spiritual Force!

The above "Aim for 1927" should be the ideal unto which every member of Christ Church should strive to attain. Every member—not only a regular "attendant" at the services but a regular **WORSHIPPER**; Every worshipper—not only a "Worker" but a **FAITHFUL** Worker in some department of the Parish activities; Every worker—not only a **GIVER** of their time, their thoughts and their means but a **GENEROUS** giver; Every giver—not only a "force" but a **SPIRITUAL** force, that means radiating the *Spirit of Christ* out among men.

Let this, then, be our motto, our ideal and our aim for this anniversary year:

*Every member a regular Worshipper;
Every worshipper a faithful Worker;
Every worker a generous Giver; Every giver a Spiritual Force!*

THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINS

At this time when the Parish is entering upon a new fiscal year it is important that every member of the Parish and everyone who worships in Christ Church should assume his or her personal responsibility, which should be regarded in the light of a privilege, in the support of the work of the Church and its philanthropies.

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den. We want to aim to make Christ Church this year a 100 per cent. giving Parish! It can be done!

It is desired by the Rector and Vestry of the Parish that *everyone* who considers himself or herself a member of Christ Church shall be included in the list whose names appear on the books of the Parish as regular contributors through the envelope system. Remember our "Aim for 1927": "Every member a regular Worshipper! Every worshipper a faithful Worker! Every worker a generous Giver! Every giver a Spiritual Force!"

THE BISHOP'S CRUSADE NOT ENDED

A series of services, under what is nationally known as the "Bishops' Crusade," because inspired and guided by the Bishops of the Church, was held the middle of January at St. Luke's Church, Germantown. All the parishes in Germantown and Chestnut Hill took part in these services and each night, for one week, St. Luke's Church was filled to capacity with congregations composed of the membership of these parishes. The missionaries were the Rev. George Davidson, D. D., of Los Angeles, California, and the Rev. Hiram R. Bennett, of Williamsport, Pa.

A large number of the members of Christ Church were faithful and regular attendants.

However inspiring and helpful these services were, especially to those who attended them regularly, we cannot think of this Crusade as a mere movement, sporadic and ephemeral, but rather an act of re-dedication to the service of Christ and the Church and a more complete surrender of our wills to His will. And as such, the Crusade is not ended. It has just begun. It must be continued and its effect must be shown in the deepening of the spiritual life of the members of this and other parishes and a fuller consecration of each life to an unselfish, sacrificial service.

The Crusade brought to many a conviction of personal need in our religious and our Church life. And our conviction must be translated into action; impulse must be crystallized into habit. The

impressions made by the messages delivered at these mission services must not be permitted to evaporate in emotion or remain mere good intentions. The sincerity of our convictions and the depth of our emotions will have an opportunity of being tested during this coming Lent, by the extent of our sacrifices and the degree of our faithfulness in following our Lord on His way to the Cross.

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENT

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which falls this year on March 2nd. Septuagesima Sunday falls on February 13th. On that Sunday the Church begins to look forward to the coming Easter, seventy days hence. The Septuagesima season, three Sundays before Ash Wednesday, is a time when we should begin to prepare for the proper observance of Lent.

The next number of the Chimes will be issued on Quinquagesima Sunday—the Sunday next before Ash Wednesday. The program of services during Lent will be published in next issue.

PARENTS AND SPONSORS

Parents and sponsors should bear in mind their solemn and sacred duty to bring their children, "who have arrived at the years of discretion," to Confirmation. Instructions on Confirmation are being given to minors on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock in the Parish House, and will continue at the same time until the Bishop's visitation.

Parents and sponsors, are you doing your Christian duty?

Will adults who are thinking of Confirmation give their names to the Rector at once. He will be pleased to have an interview with them and provide them with literature on the subject.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Instructions on Confirmation are being given for minors in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock. Class for adults will meet on Friday evenings in the Parish House, beginning Friday, February 18th.

Persons in the Parish who are think-

ing of being confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector.

EVENING PRAYER

Every Friday Afternoon

I wish to call attention to the members of Christ Church to the Service of Evening Prayer which is held in the Church on Friday afternoons at five o'clock.

In former years few churches could be found that did not have a service on a week-day, an opportunity for people to gather together for an hour of prayer. The Wednesday evening "prayer meeting" was all but universal. We have lost much in giving up that devout practice and "the religious life" of church people, "between Sundays," has suffered, in consequence. We surely need to have our souls fed and nourished on week-days as well as on Sundays. Our lives will be the better and happier for it.

The Holy Days, which frequently occur on week-days, afford us an opportunity to kneel at the altar and receive the Blessed Sacrament to "the strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ." These "Saint Days" or "Holy Days" are, indeed, oases in the routine of our daily lives.

Friday is the weekly recurrence of the great Day of Atonement. It has always been observed by the Church as a special day of "fasting and prayer." Have not many churchmen today forgotten this most helpful and inspiring practice and cut themselves off from a great source of spiritual blessing?

"What! Could ye not watch with me one hour?" said our Lord to His sleeping Apostles on the night when He stood facing the agonies of that first Good Friday.

What! Can we not, my good people of Christ Church, come apart from our daily tasks, on Friday, the weekly memorial of our Lord's Passion, and spend one hour—no, only one-half hour—in meditation and prayer and converse with Him?

I pray that Christian people in this vicinity—church people and others—will bear in mind this weekly service of prayer and special intercessions, which are held in Christ Church on Friday afternoons. It should appeal to every Christian soul.

"Come ye apart and rest awhile."

Persons who wish special prayers to be said on behalf of the sick, or those in sorrow, or trouble, or in special need of any kind, may send their request to the Rector.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Our Church School Christmas entertainments this year were very fine and well attended. A splendid group of parents and friends were present as well as a large percentage of the pupils. Of course Santa Claus was there with his cheer and presents.

The Young People's Fellowship presented a one-act play and a Christmas pageant, portraying the events connected with the Nativity, under direction of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Clausen.

A check for \$125 was sent recently to the Rev. Dr. Sherman, of Boone University, Wuchang, China, to assist in the splendid work which is being carried on in this war-worn country. This sum represented a portion of the mission offering of the Church School. The work of our Church in Wuchang is a monument to the zeal and sacrifice of our missionaries.

The School is now looking forward to Lent and its continued work for our missions. The work in Wuchang and that in Alaska will be the objects of our efforts this year. These are two of the most worthy causes in the whole mission field and should receive our heartiest support and co-operation. E. M. H.

NEW VERGER

Charles Hatcher, who has been serving temporarily as Verger of Christ Church, has been succeeded by John Hurst, who began his duties the last week in January. Mr. Hurst was a member of Christ Church in his early childhood.

VESTRYMAN ELECTED

At the last meeting of the Vestry, held Tuesday evening, January 4th, Mr. T. Homer Atherton was unanimously elected to fill the unexpired term of Mr. William R. Pugh, resigned.

"I think all clergy ought to have a little business training," the newspapers quote Bishop Murray as saying, "but I don't think it is half as important as that all business men should have religious training."

G. F. S. OF CHRIST CHURCH

The G. F. S. of Christ Church is just recovering from its Christmas activities, having filled stockings for the children in the wards of the Philadelphia Hospital, filled a substantial Christmas basket for a family of seven, two adults and five children under twelve, carrying with the basket clothes supplied by the Lovers of Children and the Needlework Guild, and our personal contribution,—stockings filled with Christmas goodies and toys.

The first Tuesday in January we held our meeting at the home of our President, changing a meeting into a Christmas party, thus, with the announcement of the engagements of two of our members, the evening was made very thrilling.

Tuesday, the eleventh, was the first organized meeting of the New Year, and we celebrated it by voting to send our quota to the National Center in Washington to help complete our memorial for the 50th anniversary of our existence in America. This 50th year will be celebrated with a great conference in Boston, in November, to which we hope to send two delegates.

Tuesday, the 18th, we took our meeting to the Bishops' Crusade service at St. Luke's Church and found it most inspiring and the question box most instructive.

Our plans for the rest of the month of January are not completed, but our chief effort is to make plans for raising money for carrying on our work.

We would welcome new members, and

if you once come we feel you will always come. Old members who are kept away from meetings for various work and reasons, try to arrange to come as often as possible. We need your help in many ways, and more, we MISS YOU.

L.J. J.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

(Woman's Missionary Society)

A Year's Resumé of the Work of the Woman's Auxiliary, Christ Church, Germantown.

It might be of interest to the women of the Parish to know how the Woman's Auxiliary of the Parish carries on its work for the missions of the Church, and where the money goes that some of the women contribute towards this work.

We have a system of envelopes which affords us an approximate return of \$250. These envelopes are circulated among the women of the Parish, representing the twelve months of the year, asking for a contribution of from five cents upward each week. From these small contributions and the interest of \$200 a year from the estate of Miss Sally W. Johnson, two offerings from the church—Ascension Day and All Saints' Day—have enabled the Auxiliary to send her delegates to the committee meetings at the Church House, with from \$5 to \$10 a month, to pay for the supplies from the Supply Bureau for the missionary sewing, the contribution to the Germantown Convocation, the contribution to the budget of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese, with a small balance for things that may come up for consideration as well as sundry expenses.

We have made a mental reservation for several years to raise \$500 for special work. This has been accomplished by Rummage Sales, Suppers, Missionary Teas, Luncheons, affairs in private houses. This past year we went over the top and when called upon to help out with the deficit in the Church's Missionary quota we were able to give an additional \$50.

The \$500 was distributed among the five committees as follows: Colored Committee for work in St. Augustine's School Raleigh, N. C., \$100; Diocesan Committee towards the Funds for the Episcopal Hospital, \$100; Domestic Committee, Dr. and Mrs. Burke's work in Fort Yukon, Alaska, \$100. Foreign Committee, Bishop Kingsloving's work in Brazil \$50; Mahan School for Boys in China, \$50; Indians' Hope Committee, Salaries in the Indian Field, \$100.

All these things have been accomplished by a few women in the Parish. Think what could be done by the many!

Why not take twelve envelopes and help the work of the Woman's Auxiliary of your Parish, placing in them five cents or more each week and help this good work along?

Envelopes can be had from the Treasurer, Mrs. Topliff Johnson, 190 Maplewood Avenue, Germantown.

L. J. J.

The foregoing report has just been received by the writer and is being sent to "The Chimes" for publication. May I add that the total amount given by the Woman's Auxiliary in Christ Church Parish during 1926 for Missions, which counted on the "quota" was \$798.00.

It gives me pleasure to announce that "The Missionary Room" in the Parish House is being furnished in a most satisfactory way and we anticipate holding all our future meetings there. The schedule is as follows:

First Monday in every month, Business meeting at 2 P. M.

Second Monday in every month, Study Group meeting, 2 P. M.

Third Monday in every month, Sewing meeting, 2 P. M.

Fourth Monday in every month, Study Group Meeting, 2 P. M.

A number of interested friends have contributed suitable articles towards "The Missionary Room." We are most grateful and extend to them our sincere thanks, particularly to Messrs. Morrison, Rowley Lennig and Woodroffe for their most generous contributions of laying a hardwood floor and installing very beautiful electric fixtures.

We are planning to give a "Tea" in the very near future at which we hope to

have a large attendance. Every woman in the Parish will be most cordially welcomed.

As we take up our work for the ensuing year it is with grateful hearts for the success which has been ours in the past and an earnest expectation for bigger things in 1927. With the interest and support of more women in the Parish we shall succeed. Remember that Christ is holding out this work to us, and *we must not fail Him.* L. M. ROBINSON.

NOT GOOD IF DETACHED

"Not good if detached." This saying is found on the coupons of railroad tickets. The value of the coupon is determined by its relationship to the whole ticket. "Not good if detached" is equally true of Church members as well as railroad tickets. Detached from active relationship with the Church the individual loses touch with its work, and is in grave danger of losing the consciousness of Christ's presence and of losing all interest in Christian service and falling into doubts and decay. If you are a "detached" member won't you become "re-attached" and join us in our work and worship?

Note the following Canon of the Church: "A Communicant moving from one Parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a Communicant in good standing." Title II: Canon 12.

ARE YOUR ENVELOPES OFFERED ON THE ALTAR OR JUST SENT IN

There is a difference—a very real difference—in these two methods. The one makes your giving an offering to God; the other a mere commercial transaction. We believe that everyone who possibly can should make a point to put their envelopes in the Alms-basin themselves.

HAVE FUNERALS IN THE CHURCH

There is a widespread and popular custom of having funerals in private houses that is thoroughly unchurchworthy, unedifying and undevout. It is also uncanonical. The Prayer Book provides that the Burial Office may be said either in the Church or the graveyard. "The minister meeting the body at the entrance of the churchyard and going before it, either into the church or towards the grave." The office may be said partly or entirely in either. The only valid reason for not having it in the church is in the case of infectious diseases, when the Board of Health will not allow the Church to be used, and in that case it is better to say the whole office in the graveyard.

The custom of "house funerals," as they are called, originated outside the Church, when it was usual to have a service upon the model of a prayer meeting with eulogies, prayers and addresses by persons present, this service lasting, sometimes, several hours.

When the Burial Service is used at "house funerals" it is often far from being a solemn service.

The friends are crowded together in the various rooms of the house, from the back kitchen to the garret. They generally sit on camp chairs, sometimes on the stairs, and we have known them to sit on one another's laps.

All this does not especially contribute to solemnity or reverence. The Prayer Book directs that "the minister, meeting the body at the entrance of the churchyard and going before it either into the church or toward the grave, shall say the Order for the Burial of the Dead.

This is dignified, solemn, impressive. The Church regards death as an occasion for reverence, for praise, for worship. She, therefore, provides that those who die in the Lord shall be brought within her sacred walls.

1. Because the offertory is just as much a part of the Church worship as the prayers and hymns.

2. Because the Alms-basin is the proper channel through which your offering should pass and be placed upon the altar.

It may be easier sometimes to give the envelopes to someone else but there is always the chance that they may be forgotten or mislaid or perhaps given to the Rector or the vestrymen at some other time, so are never offered on the Altar. Sometimes they have been so delayed that a statement has been sent out in the meantime without due credit being given. We hope therefore that everyone will try to be more careful in the future to put their own envelopes in the Alms-basin.

—St. Stephen's Messenger.

BUILDING FOR ETERNITY

The following poem was written by a member of the Parish and is printed by request of friends in the Parish, which request is gladly granted. "It was written in memory of mother."

As I rush, and just keep longing

For the things the world can give,

With no thought of the hereafter,

Or the life that I should live,

Do I realize the tinsled toys,

And power, pride, and gold

In the Lamb's great book will never count

When I that page unfold.

No, I've wandered on like all the rest,

Satisfying every whim.

And I filled my life with earthly things,

Which are as dross to Him,

Until the vision of a mother.

Who had trod the path before.

Came to tell me of the real things

On that bright celestial shore.

And she led me gently, safely.

Out of darkness into light

Where the face of her dear Master

Shone with glory, wondrous bright.

Kneeling there, I prayed most humbly,

Heavenly Father, help me see

That the things which seem so lowly

Build for us Eternity.

I. D. B.

BAPTISMS

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

Dec. 12—Ruth Anita Stephenson.

Louis John Stott.

Janice Eleanor Sobey.

Jan. 9—James Albert Barthell.

BURIALS

"Looking for the Resurrection of the Dead and the Life of the world to come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Dec. 1—Archibald T. Flower.

Dec. 27—Edwin B. Kirby.

Jan. 8—Thomas Limb.

Jan. 11—Emma Thompson.

Jan. 20—Mary A. Smith.

A CLERGYMAN'S LETTER TO THE MEN OF HIS PARISH

The following letter, addressed by a clergyman in a western city to the men of his Parish, has been sent to the Rector. It is a forceful letter and expresses the sentiments of many clergymen. It reads as follows:

"To our men: I have never thought more prayerfully over any set of sentences I have had to write than these that follow. I want them so written that God can use them to fire the hearts of men I know and love.

During the past six years I have been turned down by hundreds of men to whom I have gone to urge some definite Christian service. I have heard thousands of excuses and have seen almost everything get in between men and the thing I pressed for.

I have doubted my own leadership scores of times in the unsleeping moments of the night. I have studied on my knees my limitations in getting men in this parish to do things. Every time I have arisen with a new determination to keep right on calling these same men so long as I am Rector here!

I will not think longer of the dead and ineffective committees of the past. I will not allow one bit of discouragement to darken the hope in my soul for better things. I am praying for better things; I am hoping for better things; I am expecting better things.

We have lost leaders. Strong staves

have broken in my hand. Death has robbed us of many. But note, men! God has pushed more of this city close up to the doorways of our big well equipped church than ever before. She never had such a chance. We dare not run from personal duty. No man will. I know our men will not let slight matters hinder their serving through our church this great new field about us.

Every man is called. Don't wait on a program. You love men and know how to help them in a score of ways without being told!

A definite task is now before us. The "Bishops' Crusade" is stirring church life throughout the land. It must not go by without our getting in touch with it and sharing its blessings. Its five great fields of services are given below. It will mean nothing to us except as we tune up our local church to receive.

These committees are not appointed, they have orders, not from the Rector, but from the aroused conscience of the church and their sense of Christian obligation to our great unreached community.

Not one has been personally asked.

A general does not go down the line and ask each man to kindly fire if he possibly can! He says "Fire!" and they fire!

And every man will do his duty.

Christian men! Men of the Church! Men of the Army of the Living God! Will you do less?

God, give us men!

THE DIME

I am a dime.

I am not on speaking terms with the butcher.

I cannot be exchanged for an ice-cream soda.

I am not large enough to buy a gallon of gasoline.

I am not big enough to buy a half pound of candy.

I am too small to get into the movies.

BUT—when I go to Church I am considered SOME MONEY. *Adapted.*

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Rector

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.

Earl M. Honoman, Lay Assistant

The Rector's Office Hours:

8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily

6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily

At Home Saturday Evenings

All communications should be addressed to
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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Senior)—Third
Thursday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Junior)—2nd
and 4th Mondays, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Every Monday, 2 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Thursday, 8 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.

Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.

First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.

Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

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Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.

A PERSONAL LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

Christ Church Rectory,
Septuagesima, 1927.

My dear Friends:

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. I am sure that the people of Christ Church want to make this Lent a very serious, a very helpful season. It is full of opportunity, it is full of precious privileges to those who will use it aright. It is an opportunity for every seriously minded person to withdraw, for a time, from the lighter, the less serious things of life and to devote himself exclusively to the things that are most worth while; to the serious, the real, the eternal principles of life. "Forty days with the Master!" What a blessed privilege to get a right perspective of living; to gain a wider, a higher vision of life, to come into closer communion with God!

That this Lent may mean all that it should mean, may I ask you, my dear friends, to be very earnest, very serious, very faithful in the observance? Let me tell you how.

1. By abstaining from worldly amusements and entertainments; by observing the rule of fasting and abstinence that you thoughts may be given to the more serious and solemn lessons of life.

2. By reading, at the beginning and at the end of each day, some portion of God's Word. Read, during Lent, the shorter Epistles of St. Paul. I have had placed in the vestibules of our Church a pamphlet entitled, "Bible Readings and Prayers." These are for gratuitous distribution among our people. Take a copy home with you. There has also been sent to every family in the Parish a course of "Daily Bible Readings." I shall be glad to furnish a copy to any who have not received one.

3. By reading, at least one good book, not a novel, on some religious subject, or on Church History. I have had placed in the vestibule a bookcase, in which may be found a number of books suitable for Lenten reading. These books may be borrowed by applying to Mr. Honoman, after any service.

4. By spending a few moments, each morning and evening, alone with God, in meditation and prayer. Do this in your home. Come also to Church for a quiet hour of meditation and prayer. The Church is open all day from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m.

5. By regular attendance at the week-day Lenten Services in the Church. Consult the Lenten list and resolve to attend certain services, regularly and faithfully.

6. By careful and conscientious preparation for Holy Communion, and by frequent attendance at the Sacrament of the altar, where we are bound together in the love and fellowship of Jesus Christ and with all the loved ones here and absent.

7. By being more considerate, more patient, more forgiving, more loving to others; and by doing acts of kindness to every one you can.

I am sure that if you are faithful in these things during this Lent, a wonderful blessing will come into your life, a blessing of strength and peace and joy—such as the world cannot give.

May I not look for YOU—I am addressing each one of you personally—may I not look for YOU at the Lenten week-day services, and, at least, twice every Sunday?

I have learned to expect great things from the people of Christ Church, and I have confidence in the deepening religious and spiritual life of the members of our Parish, during the coming Lent.

May God bless each one of you, my dear friends, and may He send His Holy Spirit into our hearts; and arouse us all, Rector and people alike, to a greater zeal, a truer devotion, a deeper consecration to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Affectionately your friend and Rector,
Charles Henry Arndt.

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EVERY worshiper a Faithful Worker,
EVERY worker a Generous Giver,
EVERY giver a Spiritual Force."

SERVICES DURING LENT

HOLY WEEK

Sundays

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Ser-
mon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Ser-
mon (Special Course of
sermons by Rev. Dr.
R. K. Yerkes) 7.45 P. M.
Young People's Fellow-
ship Meeting in Parish
House 6.45 P. M.

Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential
Office, Address 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Address 8.00 P. M.

Week-Day Services

Tuesdays
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Wednesdays
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
*Evening Service, Address 8.00 P. M.
Thursdays
Evening Prayer, Special
Address to Young People 4.45 P. M.
Fridays
Litany with Special Inter-
cessions 9.30 A. M.
Saturdays
Evening Prayer, Talks on
the "Holy Communion" 4.45 P. M.
*Subject of Wednesday Evening
Addresses: "The Six Sources of
Spiritual Strength."

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion with
blessing of the palms 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Ser-
mon 11.00 A. M.
Cantata — Sir John B.
Stainer's "Crucifixion" 7.45 P. M.

Monday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.

Tuesday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer 4.45 P. M.
Litany, Address 8.00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Confirmation 8.00 P. M.

Good Friday

Pro-Anaphora, Penitential
Office, Address 10.30 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on
the "Seven Words from
the Cross" (Led by the
Rev. Vincent Pottle of St.
Mark's Church, Philadel-
phia 12 M to 3 P. M.

Saturday

Evening Prayer, Infant
Baptism 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6.30 A. M.
 7.30 A. M.
 Holy Communion, Sermon..... 11.00 A. M.
 Church School Easter Carol
 Service 7.30 P. M.

All week-day services will be held in the side chapel in the Church, with the exception of the Wednesday night services and the Good Friday services, which will be held in the nave.

Instruction on Confirmation, weekly in the Parish House until the Bishop's Visitation.

For Adults, Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

For Minors, Sunday afternoons at 4.00 o'clock.

CALENDAR FOR LENT

March 2nd—Ash Wednesday.
 March 6th—First Sunday in Lent.
 March 9, 11, 12—Ember Days.
 March 13th—Second Sunday in Lent.
 March 20th—Third Sunday in Lent.
 March 25th—The Annunciation.
 March 27th—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
 April 3rd—Fifth Sunday in Lent.
 April 10th—(Palm) Sixth Sunday in Lent.
 April 14th—Maundy Thursday.
 April 15th—Good Friday.
 April 17th—Easter Day.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ON THURSDAYS

Special attention of parents and young people in the parish is called to the service every Thursday afternoon in Lent, which will be adapted to young people, with a special address by the Rector.

Teachers of the Church School, with the scholars, should endeavor to attend these services. Parents are invited to accompany their children. It is hoped that the boys and girls of the Parish will set aside Thursday afternoons in Lent to attend this service. Come and bring your young friends with you.

BISHOP ROWE, OF ALASKA, TO BE AT CHRIST CHURCH

The Rt. Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, D. D., Bishop of Alaska, will preach in Christ Church, Sunday morning, April 3rd. Bishop Rowe is one of the outstanding Missionary Bishops of the Church and the great work which he has done and is doing in Alaska is well known to all Churchmen. The members of Christ Church are fortunate in having Bishop Rowe address them and he will receive a very cordial welcome.

CONSULT WITH THE RECTOR ABOUT CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will visit this Parish (D.V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, April 14th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to him at once. He will be pleased to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. One goes to his lawyer when in doubt in regard to the law, or to his physician for medical advice. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, go to your Rector and tell him your troubles. He will help you.

The Prayer Book in the Communion Office, so states it "If any of you cannot quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of his conscience and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness"

The Rector is most anxious to help any one who may be in doubt or trouble of any kind and will gladly do all within his power for any one who comes to him.

SUNDAY EVENING LECTURES ON THE EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS

An unusually interesting and in-

structive course of lectures on the Epistle to the Ephesians will be given in Christ Church on Sunday evenings in Lent by the Rev. Royden Keith Yerkes, Ph.D., S. T. D.

Dr. Yerkes is a member of the faculty of the Divinity School of the Episcopal Church in Philadelphia and is one of the best scholars of Biblical learning in the country. This course of lectures will be a rare opportunity for the people of Germantown to hear a very able treatment of the chosen subject in the light of modern scholarship. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend. All seats are free and unassigned at all services in Christ Church. Every one is welcome.

Dr. Yerkes, in outlining his course of lectures on the Epistle to the Ephesians, which he will give in Christ Church, writes as follows:

"St. Paul's Epistles in the New Testament are not theological treatises or philosophical discussions. Their true character has been somewhat obscured by the rather cumbersome translation of their titles as 'epistles.'"

As a matter of fact, they are letters, written by an enthusiastic Jewish rabbi who, after active opposition to Christianity, became its most active advocate and missionary. From the beginning to the end of his ministry he was marked by a passionate zeal and an indomitable spirit which raised him above many physical handicaps and made him one of the best known of men.

St. Paul was instrumental in establishing many new churches and congregations. He himself had never been a disciple of Jesus during the life of the Master, but he became his best interpreter.

His letters all breathe with the concrete application of the principles of the Christ-life to the problems of men and women of the day. Some of the details of these problems have changed, but, in the last analysis, human problems have been pretty much the same since men were.

The particular theme of the Ephesians is the instrumentality of the

Church in bringing men into union with God, in relating Christians to Christ and thus making the Christian life the practical means of bringing one's life to its fullest possibilities. On Sunday evenings in Lent the letter will be read, section by section, that we may catch for ourselves the enthusiastic and burning message of the greatest of Christian leaders."

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Classes for instruction in Confirmation are being held in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors and on Friday evenings at eight o'clock for adults. All persons who are not baptized or confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector as soon as possible.

The Rector will be pleased to meet any person who wishes to consult with him on the subject, after Church service or by appointment. The Bishop will visit this Parish Maundy Thursday evening, April 14th.

Begin Lent aright! On Ash Wednesday there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Before going to your duties of the day—your business, your school, your household duties—"come apart for awhile with God"; begin this Lenten season aright by dedication of yourself, your soul and body, to God and by receiving the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ! Begin aright!

Persons who are willing to assist in the singing at the Lenten services are requested to give their names to the Rector. There are a number of persons in the Parish who might render this much as their Lenten offering. The Rector will gladly welcome them and will appreciate their services.

Why not make it a Lenten object to bring at least one child to Holy Baptism or some "backslider" back again to his church duties and privileges, or to lead some hesitating friend to Christ and to Confirmation?

Make some specific, definite object your duty during this Lent. Let it not be a "negative Lent," but a positive Lent; something definitely undertaken and done; something unselfish, something constructive to the bringing in of the Kingdom of God and His Christ!

Some people are habitually late to church service. The habit should be overcome. To enter the service late is disconcerting to others and seriously interrupts the service. It is a form of selfishness, on the part of those who practice it. One should be in church long before the service begins, to prepare one's mind and spirit to receive the precious things that there are given. No one who rushes to church or comes in late can be so prepared.

The Prayer Book is given by the church to be *used by the worshippers*. It should be opened and the eyes of each worshipper should be riveted upon it. During the singing of the canticles, instead of looking about the congregation or at the choir, follow the words in your prayer book. However familiar you may be with the service, follow, with your book before you, every sentence, every collect, Gospel, Epistle, as the minister reads it. It is called the "Book of Common Prayer," and so it is intended to be—*common* between minister and people; every service in it to be entered into by minister and people together; and this purpose cannot be carried out if the people do not follow the minister as he reads the service.

Keep your Prayer Book *open* and your eyes on the service as it is read by the minister!

And this leads to the further suggestion that everyone should own and carry with him his own Prayer Book and Hymnal. Additional books may be kept in the pews, but every worshipper should bring with him to church and take home with him his own personal Prayer Book and Hymnal. Your Prayer Book will

come to mean something, then, by its long and faithful usage and its sacred associations.

Bring your own Prayer Books and Hymnals to church with you and take them home with you when you go!

The Prayer Books and Hymnals at the doors of the church are primarily intended for strangers.

BOOKS IN THE VESTIBULE

The Rector has had placed in the Tulpenocken Street vestibule of the Church a bookcase, in which will be found a number of books on religious and Church subjects.

The object of placing these books in the vestibule is to afford to all, who wish to use them, an opportunity of access to some of the best authorities on religious and kindred subjects, in which everyone, especially Churchmen, should be well informed.

These books will be loaned, without charge, to anyone who desires to read them.

The books may be kept for two weeks, after which time, they must be returned, with the privilege, however, of renewal for one week, if so desired.

No person may receive more than one book at a time.

Among this collection of books may be found a wide range of subjects, relating to religion and the teachings of the Church. There are a number especially suitable for Lenten reading. A list of the books is posted in the vestibule.

All attendants at the service of Christ Church are welcome to make free use of these books: the only conditions are that they be used carefully and returned within the time specified.

They are placed in the vestibule of the Church that the Congregation may have more ready access to them.

The books will be in charge of Mr.

Honaman, who will be glad to loan them to any one who may apply.

Mr. Honaman may be seen after any service.

A WORD TO PARENTS

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with them.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His tear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you:

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose."

Are you doing your duty?

A REQUEST TO EVERY COMMUNICANT

The Rector repeats his request to all persons in this Parish who attend the service of the Holy Communion. The request is this: After receiving at the Holy Communion, return to your seats and *remain to the end of the service*, until after the benediction.

Unless ill or physically unable to remain, *PLEASE* do not leave the Church until the service is over! Can I put the request more kindly? If so, I want to do it, and shall be glad to be told how. But I must insist that this request be complied with by all. Everyone will realize the propriety and reasonableness of this request. It is most distasteful to the Rector to have to repeat it. He hopes that he will not be compelled to do so.

THE CHOIR

The music for Lent and Easter will

be in keeping with this time of the Church Calendar. The choir will sing anthems of a quiet mood and the words taken from the Lenten lessons of the Scriptures. On Palm Sunday evening, April 10, the choir will sing Stainer's "Crucifixion." Easter Day, Gounod's St. Cecilia Service will be rendered.

Choir rehearsals are faithfully attended every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Any one who would like to participate in this branch of service will be welcomed. Just speak to the Rector or Choirmaster.

The organ preludes will also reflect the spirit of Lent. The object of the organ prelude is to prepare for the mood of the Service to follow and the numbers are selected with this in mind. The Organist willingly will play any favorite selections, provided they are suitable for Church and will fit into the proper spirit of the Service for the day.

H. Gordon Thomas, Choirmaster.

A MISSION STUDY CLASS

During Lent there will be a Mission Study Class, under the auspices of the Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church, every Tuesday evening at 8 P. M. in the Parish House. The subject of mission study this year is "The Rural Work of the Church," about which we know little.

A hearty invitation is extended to all girls, young women and older women in the Parish to unite with the Girls' Friendly Society to make this Mission Study Class a spiritual and intellectual benefit to our Church people. This mission lies at our back doors; let us awake to its presence. The first Study will be on Tuesday evening, March 8th. L. J. J.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

There are some very striking facts about our Church School which should be of interest to every member of our Parish. The School has been growing steadily in numbers and the attendance is something of which we all may

be justly proud. Here are some interesting figures:

January 16—Officers present, 4; Scholars and Teachers present, 98; Total, 102; Weather, very bad.

January 23—Officers, 5; Scholars and Teachers, 176; Total, 181; Weather, fair.

January 30—Officers, 5; Scholars and Teachers, 127; Total, 132; Weather, rain.

February 6—Officers, 5; Scholars and Teachers, 173; Total, 178; Weather, fair.

February 13—Officers, 5; Scholars and Teachers, 178; Total, 183; Weather, cloudy.

Perfect Classes

January 16—none.

January 23—Miss Gray, Mrs. Christ, Miss Armstrong.

January 30—Miss O'Brien.

February 6—Mrs. Christ, Miss Stryke, Mr. Malony.

February 13—Mrs. Christ, Miss O'Brien, Miss Breeding, Mr. Melville, Miss Gray.

Thus the average attendance for the five Sundays was 155.2; for the last four it was 168.5, and for the three best 180.7. These figures do not include the Men's Bible Class, which is now an integral part of the Church School, because the records have previously not been available. On February 13 there were 19 men present, making a total for the entire school of 199.

We may well be proud of this record, but we must continue our work—not rest on our laurels.

With the approach of Lent, we are making plans for our Lenten devotion and work. The mite boxes will be distributed on Quinquagesima Sunday, February 27. The offering this year will be divided between our Church's work in Alaska and that in Wuchang, China, two of the neediest fields of our mission field. We want to give those outside the Church School an opportunity to share in this work; hence all young people, those in the School and those who do not attend, are urged to procure mite boxes; also the parents of children

who are too young to attend the School are welcome to receive mite boxes. This is a splendid opportunity which all should seize.

Some of the classes in the School are planning to have sales of some sort in order to increase, by work and sacrifice, the amount of the offering.

Children of the Church School are going to make a special effort to attend the Services of the Church during Lent, and they are urged to sit in a body with their teachers or with their parents; and teachers are urged to take their scholars to the Sunday morning Services.

This Lent can be made a season of great inspiration and progress if we will all co-operate. "Prayer and co-operation" is the motto of the Church School. Let us keep the motto before us and never fail to use it as our guide.

A splendid and helpful teachers' meeting was held in the Parish House on Sunday, January 30. A supper was served to the teachers by the Young People's Fellowship. Over twenty teachers were present at the meeting, and various problems of the School and plans for Lent were discussed.

What are the members of the congregation doing to help the Church School? Are you praying for it? Are you sending your children regularly and promptly? Are you inviting children who do not attend any School? Have you visited the School?

Remember, it is your Church School, and cannot succeed unless you are helping it.

E. M. H.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary has recently sent out post cards with the dates of the four meetings to be held during February printed thereon; it is hoped that the cards will have been retained, so that those who received them can refer to the times of our meetings.

Lent will begin March 2nd and during those six weeks we earnestly desire that our "allotment" of sewing will be completed so that the finished work can be turned into the "Supply

Bureau" immediately after Easter.

Perhaps there are a number of women in the Parish who might prefer to take one or more garments to make at home? If so, will you kindly consult the writer.

Please remember to save your "cast-off belongings" for our Rummage Sale in April. We are comfortably settled in our newly "furnished room" and we are most grateful to a good number of the people of Christ Church for various and suitable gifts. In the name of "The Woman's Auxiliary" I wish to express to them, through "The Chimes" our sincere appreciation and thanks.

L. M. Robinson.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

During Mrs. Rowley's illness, we have been so fortunate as to have with us at various times, Mrs. Mervin, Mrs. Eckersley and Mrs. Heyer. Thanks are due these ladies for their kind interest and assistance. We hope Mrs. Rowley will be with us again very soon.

At the present time we are busily sewing carpet rags for rugs, making plain and fancy aprons and crocheting fancy edges on towels and wash cloths. These and other useful articles for the household are for sale.

Any one in the parish who has scraps of dark material, will greatly oblige us by sending them to us for our rugs as we have a shortage of dark rags for our rugs.

New members are assured of a hearty welcome and a pleasant afternoon. Our meetings are from 2 to 4.30 every Tuesday afternoon.

A. M. M.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

The Young People's Fellowship, in addition to being a social organization, tries to be of use to our Parish. The last effort was the serving of supper to the Church School teachers at their last meeting. Our next will be in the raising of money for our Lenten offering. All young people in the Par-

ish are invited to join the "Fellowship." Come and help us. We need your ideas and your co-operation.

During the Lenten season the Young People's Fellowship will give a series of interesting stereopticon lectures. The slides are beautiful and the talks entertaining and instructive. The Young People are sure that no one would care to miss this opportunity so they extend a cordial welcome to all the members of the Sunday School and Church to come and meet with them Sunday evenings in Lent in the Parish House at 6.45.

The topics of the lectures are—

Sunday Evening, March 6th: "Social Results of Missions."

Sunday, March 13th: "Work Among the Southern Mountaineers."

Sunday, March 20th: "The Far East."

Sunday, March 27th: "The Alaska Mission."

Sunday, April 3rd: "Ten Thousand Miles on a Dog Sled."

Sunday, April 10th: "Missions in China."

PARISH BUDGET FOR 1927

At the Vestry meeting held on January 4th a budget for 1927 was presented and adopted. The following is a summary of the estimated budget for 1927 with corresponding figures for 1926.

EXPENSES	1927	1926
Salaries—Three persons and supply	\$6,100.00	\$6,423.00
Clergy Pension Fund..	315.00	315.00
Miscellaneous Expenses:		
Rector's Expense, auto, telephone, etc.	576.00	576.00
Laundry	42.50	42.55
Printing & Postage	100.00	130.31
Telephone	65.00	66.20
Exp. of Ass't....	75.00	46.94
Advertising	24.00	27.16
Furnace Repairs	140.00	143.85
Addit'l. Labor	120.00	129.49
Sexton's Supplies	50.00	54.67
Dplx. Envelopes	59.34	59.90
Organ Upkeep..	100.00	100.00
Misc. Supplies..	50.00	59.87
Nat. Bank Gtn. . .	9.25	9.25
	1,411.09	
Organist & Choir....	2,425.00	2,434.16
Chimes	175.00	175.00
Insurance	25.00	176.75
Taxes & Water Rents.	369.75	283.50

Electricity & Gas	220.00	206.43
Fuel	1,000.00	955.25
Repairs & Improvements	1,200.00	1,253.88
Int. on Temp. Loans	80.00	70.95
Episcopal Convention		
& Sustentation Funds	517.08	498.41
Sunday School	720.00	720.00

\$14,557.92 \$13,658.44

RECEIPTS		
Plate Offerings	\$ 900.00	\$ 940.71
Envelope Offerings	6,200.00	6,104.47
Special Contributions in Hon. of Pew Rent	400.00	392.58
Repair Fund (Blue En- velopes)	500.00	535.39
From Anniversary Fund for Choir	187.00	187.00
Interest on Investments and Endowments	4,200.00	4,261.97
Miscellaneous	75.00	77.42
From Sunday School	550.00	596.46

\$12,962.00 \$13,046.00

Offering at Easter necessary to balance	1,595.92	1,219.63
	\$14,557.92	\$14,265.53

NAMES OF ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

or Regular Givers to the Support of the Church.

All pews and sittings in Christ Church are free. The support of the work of the Church depends upon the voluntary offering of the members of the congregation. There are at present 280 regular subscribers. This is less than half the communicant list of the Parish. These figures should be changed at once. **Every** member of the Parish should be a regular contributor. It is hoped that **every one**, who is not a contributor through the envelope system, will take a pledge card, which may be found in the vestibule, fill it out and place it on the alms plate at any service. Envelopes will then be sent to you. The pledge may be increased, decreased or cancelled at any time by notifying the Rector.

This year, 1927, is the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish. Let **every one** co-operate in making it a "Banner Year."

This is "Our Aim for 1927":

"We can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth us."

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SHALL WE STAND OR FALL?

BY THE REV. W. L. DAVIS

Not long ago one of my people asked me why it was that a certain priest at the presentation of the offering raised the plate above his head. I replied that I did not know, unless it was that he wished to demonstrate to the congregation that its offering was not so heavy but what he could lift it or that, perhaps, he wanted to get it up where God could see it.

I have been attendant upon services where it took two wardens, two vestrymen and an acolyte, the assistant minister, the Rector and a Bishop to get the offering (?) up onto the altar, while the congregation and the choir vied with one another in singing: "All things come of Thee, O Lord," or "Holy Offerings, rich and rare."

That reminds me of a true story. A number of years ago, when elaborate "presentations" came in vogue, an elderly priest of the Church was officiating in one of the then "up-to-date" churches, and at the time of the presentation of the alms the choir sang, with great gusto, the aforementioned "All things come of Thee, O Lord."

During the performance the old priest scowled at the plate and as the choir finished he turned to the congregation with the remark, "Big fuss to make over forty-three cents!"

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Earl M. Honoman, Lay Assistant

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6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily
At Home Saturday Evenings

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the Rector.

THE CHIMES will be issued on the Third
Sunday of each month.

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sent to the Rector at least TEN DAYS before
the date of publication.

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The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
first Tuesday after Easter and on the first
Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Gordon Thomas, 29 E. Walnut
Lane
Chimemaster, John F. Arndt.
Verger, John Hurst

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Senior)—Third
Thursday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Junior)—2nd
and 4th Mondays, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Every Monday, 2 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Thursday, 8 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

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Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.



"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

The "Forty Days" are now drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and we now enter Holy Week—into the mystery of the Passion of our Blessed Lord.

There rises before our eyes the Cross; and on the Cross—behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Son of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world!"

"Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by?"

SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday	
Holy Communion with blessing of the palms.....	7.30 A.M.
Morning Service and Ser- mon	11.00 A.M.
Cantata — Sir John B. Stainer's "Crucifixion" ..	7.45 P. M.
Monday	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation ...	7.30 P. M.
Tuesday	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation ...	4.45 P. M.
Wednesday	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation ...	4.45 P. M.
Litany and Address	8.00 P. M.
Maundy Thursday	
Holy Communion	9.30 A. M.
Service and Address	4.45 P. M.
Confirmation and Address by the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D.	8.00 P. M.
Good Friday	
Pro-Anaphora, Penitential Office, Address	10.30 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on the "Seven Words from the Cross" (Led by the Rev. Vincent Pottle of St. Mark's Church, Philadel- phia	12 M to 3 P. M.
Easter Even	
Evening Prayer, Infant Baptism	4.45 P. M.
Easter Day	
Holy Communion	6.30 A. M.
	7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon.....	11.00 A. M.
Church School Easter Carol Service	7.30 P. M.

HOLY WEEK

Let each one of us during this Holy Week, which now draws near, let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty, trifling schemes and vanities, and let us contemplate in wonder, awe and love, the closing scene of our Lord's earthly life. Let us follow Him day by day from His

triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly goes His way along the "Via Dolorosa," passing through the gates of the city, which rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary, to the Cross.

At the daily Celebrations of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated, accordingly, in Christ Church, every week day morning in Holy Week, until Maundy Thursday, inclusive. The service will be at half-past nine o'clock.

In the afternoons of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 4.45 there will be service and short "Meditation" on the Sacred events of each day.

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, will visit this Parish and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The service will be at 7.45 o'clock.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday with the Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The Meditation will be conducted by the Rev. Vincent F. Pottle, of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and Address.

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's suffering for the sins of the world—where else would one want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Meditation, in Intercession and in

Prayer?

Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood
Upbears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

CANTATA, "THE CRUCIFIXION," ON PALM SUNDAY EVENING

On April 10th, Palm Sunday Evening, the choir will sing Stainer's Crucifixion. This presents the final events in the life of our Lord during Holy week. There are some emotions which can only be expressed through music and Stainer has caught these in his music. The Crucifixion has a message for you and in what better way could you enter Holy Week than by getting in tune with God through this message? The choir is working hard to make this rendition worthy of its message. Will you not do your part by coming yourself and bringing your friends? The soloists will be Mr. Frederick R. Davis, Bass, and Mr. Paul T. Ross, Tenor. Don't forget the date. The Palm Sunday evening of April 10th. There will be a message for YOU. Come and hear it.

H. G. T.

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

The Services on Easter day will be as follows:

Holy Communion.....6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon.11.00 A. M.
Church School's Easter

Carol Service 7.30 P. M.
Address by Louis Barcroft Runk, Esq.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week
Holy Communion..... 9.30 A. M.

The Rector will be assisted in the Services on Easter Day by the Rev. William H. Cavanagh.

EASTER COMMUNION

As these solemn days of Lent draw to a close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these past forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations, in His suffering and at the Cross, will be prepared and will yearn to be with Him on the Day of His Resurrection in the joy of Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of the Festivals" and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion.

Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is, as the term implies, our "holy thanksgiving."

If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord, we may truly share at the Holy Eucharist on Easter morning, the joy of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our Risen Lord and with all God's saints in "one Communion and fellowship in the mystical body of His Son, Christ our Lord" and with the "angels and archangels and with all the company of Heaven," join in the beatific praise. "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts."

This is the Communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw, "when in the spirit on the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened"; and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's saints who draw near unto Him in spirit and in truth on this Great Day of the Lord—the Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel on Easter Day will all be memorials of the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the chancel on Easter Day in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday preceding Easter, not later

than noon.

Names of senders of flowers, together with the names of those in whose memory the flowers are sent, are requested to accompany the gifts.

Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may send the same either to the Rector or to Miss Chase, President of the Altar Guild, 152 East Washington Lane. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials placed on the altar. Contributions of money are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.

The plants and flowers are sent to the sick after Easter.

PROGRAM OF MUSIC FOR EASTER SUNDAY MORNING

Organ Prelude: Third Choral, Cesar-Franck.

Processional: "Welcome, Happy Morning."

Service: St. Cecilia, Charles Gounod.

Office Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today."

Offertory: "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

Recessional. "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done."

Postlude: Fantasia in G Minor, Bach.

Soloists: Rosine J. Sundelius, Soprano; Jessie M. Crichton, Contralto; Paul T. Ross, Tenor; Frederick R. Davis, Bass.

The Easter Carol Service of the Church School will be held in the evening at 7.30 o'clock.

CONFIRMATION

The Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., will visit this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening (April 14th) to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. It is not yet "too late" for persons who are moved by the Holy Spirit of God to confess Jesus Christ, to be confirmed. Some day, it may be "too late." The Rector will be glad to talk with anyone on this subject, after any service, or by appointment.

EASTER GREETINGS

The Rector wishes a Happy Easter, full of grace, and peace and joy to every Christian heart! Out of the darkness of Good Friday the Easter Light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with hope and joy.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back, from the brightness of Easter morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see the darkness was the precursor of the dawn.

What a difference it would make in every life, were we to see more clearly through the light of the Easter Day the meaning of the dark days of our life,—our failures, our temptations, our trials, the tragedies of our life!

God grant that on this Easter Day the members of our Parish may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, is, to those who trust and live in the spirit of Christ, the herald of new life and hope and joy.

We may rejoice, then, even when we look into the grave: for we know that "He is not here, He is risen!"

Let us weave this blessed Easter truth into our lives! Let it give courage and hope to discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every soul; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Resurrection and the Life," said the Lord; "he that believeth in Me, though he be dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As he suffered and sacrificed and died for us, and rose again, that we through Him might have

life eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him Whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver is very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and more acceptable to God than the larger offering of the rich.

But my observation and experience during a long ministry has convinced me that the small coin in the offering is not given, as a rule, by the poorer members of the Parish. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldling, who have money to spend on themselves and for their own selfish ends, but economize in their gifts to God. And such giving, I repeat, is in no sense, worthy to be called a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of sacrifice; it does not represent the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services, in no sense, as a "collection." The term "collection," in reference to giving of money at the service of worship should never be used. It is an *offering*, an offering to God, and, as such, is an essential part of worship; and the Rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that "the devotions of the people shall be reverently brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it (to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

David of old said: "I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which cost me nothing." And, surely, if David realized the meaning and the significance of an "offering unto the Lord," no one who calls himself a Christian and a follower of Jesus Christ can be said to have any real part in the solemn and serious worship of God, who lightly "offers unto the Lord that which costs him nothing."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of love. And how much love is there in

the person, how much Christian joy can come to anyone—who puts on the plate on Easter morning an insignificant amount, "that which costs him nothing."

"Freely have ye received, freely give."

A LETTER FROM THE VESTRY

Germantown April 1st, 1927.
To the Congregation of Christ Church,
Germantown:

In accordance with the usual custom, the vestry herewith submit the annual statement to the congregation of the financial condition of the Church.

For the year ending December 31st, 1926, the expenses and receipts were as follows:

EXPENSES	
Salaries	\$6,423.00
Clergy Pension Fund	315.00
Organist and Choir	2,509.15
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses ..	1,271.00
Taxes, Insurance & Water Rents ..	460.25
Fuel & Lights	1,59.02
Sunday School Appropriation	720.00
Repairs to Property	1,533.88
Interest on Loans	70.95
Episcopal & Convention Assessments ..	498.41
	\$14,880.66
INCOME	
Plate Offerings	\$ 240.71
Envelope Offerings	6,104.47
Special Offerings in lieu of Pew Rents	392.58
Repair Fund (Blue Envelopes)	535.39
Income from Endowments and Investments	4,270.86
Miscellaneous	77.42
Christmas Offering	342.93
Easter Offering	1,219.63
Sunday School Offering	596.46
	\$14,480.45

Deficit carried forward from Jan. 1st, 1926	400.21
Accumulated Deficit to Jan. 1, 1927 ..	1,636.09
	\$2,036.30

This deficit had been reduced on March 1st, 1927, to \$1531.11. It is hoped that this sum will be realized by the offering on Easter Day that the balance of this indebtedness can be paid in full. This would be especially desirable at this time as there are several very necessary renewals and repairs which the Vestry do not feel are advisable to be undertaken while this indebtedness exists.

The members of the Congregation

are therefore urged to give as they are able, that the indebtedness now existing may be paid.

Christ Church is your Church. May we ask that you think of it as such on Easter Day when we gather to worship on this most important day of the Church year, and that your offering will be as liberal as you are able.

Respectfully submitted,
The Vestry of Christ Church,
Germantown.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

An election of Vestrymen of this Parish is to be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 18th, between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M. Four Vestrymen are to be elected this year. The Vestrymen whose terms expire are Messrs. Bains, Carmichael, Clausen and Rowley.

The following extract is from the By-Laws of Christ Church. By-Law, Article 1, Section 8:

"Any qualified elector of this Parish may nominate for the office of Vestrymen one or more duly qualified persons to be voted for at the next succeeding annual election. All such nominations must be made in writing and delivered to the secretary at least ten days prior to such election, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to post the names of all such nominees in the southeast vestibule of the Church at least two Sundays prior to the holding of such election and no person not so nominated shall be a candidate."

The Charter of Incorporation, Article 6, reads: "The Vestry of Christ Church shall consist of twelve men to be chosen by election from those duly qualified to vote thereat; and those only shall be entitled to vote thereat who are communicant members of said Church, of lawful age, and who, as shown by the books of the Church, shall have paid respectively for its support and maintenance for the period of, at least, two years next preceding any such election, annual subscriptions of not less than ten dollars.

The vote of a plurality of the qual-

ified elector voting at any such election, shall be requisite for the election of any Vestryman.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

"Learn to live and live to learn" is one of the fundamental principles man must follow if he hopes to attain success. In secular matters most of us are willing to do so but when the spiritual side is considered there is, generally speaking, a reaction to this idea and most of those who consider themselves "members of the Church" do very little toward learning to live or living to learn.

Why this condition exists is not the object of this article. It is simply to bring before the men of this Parish and community, the fact that the Men's Bible Class, which meets every Sunday morning at 9.45 under the leadership of Col. Sheldon Potter, offers an opportunity whereby this difficulty may be overcome. A hearty invitation is extended to all men to attend the Class.

Col. Potter has been giving a course of talks on "The Revelation of God to Man" which has been extremely instructive and interesting. Any man wishing to "learn" will make no mistake in availing himself of the privilege of this course of studies.

Following the usual custom the Class will make a liberal contribution to the Sunday School Lenten Offering for Missions and it is hoped that in spite of the changes made necessary by the resignation of Mr. Morris as Superintendent, the School will not fall behind the fine record of the past two years.

One matter in which the Class has the right to take pride is the fact that fifty per cent of its members attend the services of our church. In comparing this record with those of other classes in this vicinity, we find the proportion much higher than most of them and this is very gratifying. Drives for large class attendance are not made but we have a body of men who are consistently present and when called upon for service are just as promptly on the job. They are learning to live and living to learn and if, Brother reader, you feel

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the desire to do likewise pay the Class a visit. We know you will come again.
C. H. J.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

In the last issue of the "Chimes," some interesting figures about the Church School attendance were published. Our attendance had been growing steadily, and, we are thankful to say, it has been growing since that time. Let me call your attention to some more facts.

Attendance—February 27: Officers, 6; Bible Class, 20; Senior Department, 117; Primary Department, 49; Total, 192. Weather: Good.

March 6: Officers, 6; Bible Class, 19; Senior Department, 127; Primary Department, 56; Total, 208. Weather: Rain.

March 13: Officers, 5; Bible Class, 16; Senior Department, 139; Primary Department, 56; Total, 216. Weather: Fair.

March 20: Officers, 6; Bible Class, 12; Senior Department, 131; Primary Department, 51; Total, 200. Weather: Cloudy.

Star Classes for the four Sundays: Miss O'Brien, 4 times; Mrs. Christ, 3 times; Miss Dietz, 2 times; Miss Armstrong, 2 times; Mrs. Armstrong, 2 times; Miss Breeding, 3 times; Mr. Melville, 2 times; Mr. Malony, 2 times; Mrs. Shaeffer, 1 time; Major Smith, 1 time; Miss Gray, 1 time; Miss Stryke, 1 time; Miss Winpenny, 1 time.

Primary: Miss Robinson, 2 times; Miss Courtney, 1 time.

The average attendance for the four Sundays has been 204. This is excellent. Let us continue our splendid work. Parents! Much of the success or failure of the School depends upon you. Do not fail in your part.

We are now working on our Lenten offering, looking forward to Easter, and the joy which our offering shall bring to those for whom it is given. Our offering this year will be divided between our Church work in Alaska and that in Wuebang, China.

We are all acquainted with the need and sorrow of our Chinese mission which is in great need of our help.

The scholars are selling copies of the

"Spirit of Missions," as well as taking orders for subscriptions to it. Do you know about this interesting and inspiring magazine of our Church? Read it and see for yourself. A part of the cost of the magazine will go into the child's mite box.

Remember our school in your prayers, and come to visit us!

E. M. H.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY (The Woman's Missionary Society)

During the past month our meetings have been held every Monday afternoon in the "Auxiliary Room." At the Business Meeting, on the first Monday of the month, Mrs. Pancoast spoke to us about the Bishops' Crusade, its inception and the work that is still to be done.

The third Monday is the Sewing Meeting. Our quota of garments for the Supply Bureau is well on its way to completion.

Two Mondays are devoted to readings and discussions of Missionary subjects. We feel that women who have not attended these meetings are missing a very pleasant and profitable time, and we shall be pleased to have them join us.

So far we have done nothing toward raising our usual \$500 toward our Mission quota, but on the 28th and 29th of April we are going to have a Rummage Sale. Please remember this and save us anything for which you have no further use.

G. F. S.

The Girls' Friendly "Mission Study Class" has been very successful. This is the second year we have had the class and all the girls have thoroughly enjoyed it.

Our leader this year is Mrs. Van Harlinger and our topic has to do with churches in the rural districts. Many of our members who never come to our regular meetings have been coming to the "Mission Study Class" and we have had an average of about twenty-five girls at each meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H.

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Earl M. Honoman, Lay Assistant

The Rector's Office Hours:

8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily

6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily

At Home Saturday Evenings

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The members of Christ Church will be pleased to learn that John W. Wood, L. L. D., Executive Secretary of the Department of Missions of the National Council of the Church, will speak in Christ Church on Whitsun-day morning, June 5th, at the eleven o'clock service. Dr. Wood is, perhaps, the best informed person in the Church on the subject of Missions. He visits every missionary field of the Church throughout the world and from personal experience and knowledge understands the condition of the wide-flung missionary work. No one should miss the opportunity of hearing Dr. Wood in Christ Church on Whitsun-day morning, June 5.

NOTICE !!

"A Garden Party and Country Fair" at "Wyck"—the residence of Mr. Caspar N. Haines, Germantown avenue and Walnut Lane, Thursday, June 9th, 1927, from 3 till 8 o'clock. Given by the Convocation of Germantown for St. Barnabas Mission, Germantown.

Supper, 5-7.30, including admission, \$1.00.

In case of rain the Fair and Supper will be held in Christ Church Parish House, Tulpehocken and McCallum Streets.

The number of supper tickets to the "Wyck Fete" will be limited to 750, hence it is urgent that you obtain your ticket as soon as possible if you wish to attend. Tickets for the same may be procured from the writer.

Contributions of cake, candy, fancy articles, flowers, plants or articles for

"The White Elephant" table are solicited from the members of Christ Church for the Fair.

L. M. Robinson

148 E. Washington lane,
Phone Ger. 7756.

THE EASTER OFFERING

The offering received on Easter Day amounted to \$1560.98, which was a little more than the amount asked for by the Vestry.

EASTER COMMUNIONS

At the Easter services on Easter Day 546 persons received the Holy Communion. This is the largest Easter Communion of which there is any record in this Parish.

REPORT OF THE JUDGES FOR ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

Philadelphia, Pa.,

April 18, 1927.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed Judges of the Election for Vestrymen at Christ Church, Germantown, hereby certify that an Election was duly held this day in the Parish House, corner of Tulpehocken and McCallum streets, Germantown, at five o'clock, and the following gentlemen were elected to serve for three years: Mr. Edward Bains, Dr. T. H. Carmichael, Mr. U. G. Rowley, Mr. W. H. Clausen, Jr., and Dr. Walter H. Andrus to serve for one year.

Judges of Election—Robert J. Lehman, William S. Crowder, James Carmint, Jr.

CHANGE OF HOUR FOR SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

On the last Sunday in June, the Second Sunday after Trinity, June 26th, the hour of the mid-day Service will be at half past ten, instead of eleven o'clock, and will continue at the same hour up to and including the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 11th.

This change of hour to half past ten, daylight saving time, brings the mid-day service to a cooler part of the day. It also affords the members of the Church School the opportunity of attending the Church Service.

During the past three years there has been a large attendance on the part of the members of the School and it is hoped that this will continue during the coming summer months. A short talk will be given, as usual, to the young people, preceding the sermon. The entire service will be over before noon.

The hours of the other Sunday Services will remain the same, viz. Holy Communion, every Sunday, at 7.30 A. M. Evening prayer with short address, 7.45.

The average attendance at the Sunday Evening Services last summer was unusually large. This was due to the good music by the choir and the interesting addresses by the clergy in charge.

The Rector is glad to announce that the same clergy will be in charge during the coming summer. The Rev. C. Sydney Goodman, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, will have charge of the services during July and the Rev. William W. Steel, formerly rector of St. Mary's Church, West Philadelphia and later Archdeacon of Cuba, during the month of August.

The services of these clergymen will be at the disposal of the members of the Parish at any time, if word is left with the Verger, Mr. John Hurst, at the Parish House, phone Victor 9650 or by phone to his house, 6321 Baynton. Phone Victor 6448.

Please remember the hour of the mid-day Service—10.30 A. M. Daylight Saving Time, beginning Sunday morning, June 26th and continuing until September 11th, inclusive.

The week day services will be omitted during the summer months until St. Matthew's Day, September 21st, when there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 A. M.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARISH

This year, 1927, marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish. The anniversary will be appropriately celebrated in the fall by special meetings and services. It will be an occasion for praise and thanksgiving for all of God's mercies and blessings vouchsafed to this Parish during the past seventy-five years. Further announcements will be given in the next issue of the Chimes.

A LETTER FROM THE BOY SCOUTS

The following has been received by the Rector from the Assistant Scoutmaster of the scout troop of this Parish, with request that it be published in the Chimes.

May 19th, 1927

Dear Dr. Arndt:

On behalf of Troop 153 Boy Scouts of America, of your parish, I wish to thank you for the use of the Parish House. We certainly appreciate the kindness of yourself and congregation in this and many other ways.

We have a Red Star Troop that is awarded a special honor each year by the Philadelphia Scout Council for troops passing a very rigid inspection, covering all scout activities. We would like you to extend an invitation to the younger boys in the church to drop in and see us in action. Our roll is not complete at the present time.

Thanking you again, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Scoutmaster,

Elwood P. MacWhorter.

POOR CHILDREN'S OUTING FUND

The annual offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund will be taken in Christ Church on Sunday morning, June 19th. This annual offering has become an established custom in Christ Church and always meets with a generous response on the part of the mem-

bers of Christ Church. This is one of the most worthy charities to which our people are privileged to give. It affords an opportunity to persons who are blessed with comfortable homes and to those who can get away for rest and recreation during the hot summer months, to remember the little children in the less fortunate and more needy families, who live in the narrow and crowded streets and alleys of our city, by sending them to the country for one week or more, where they can enjoy pure, fresh air and good wholesome food.

Please remember the date of this offering for the Poor Children's Outing Fund, Sunday morning, June 19th. If you are not present in Church on that Sunday please send your offering to the Accounting Warden, Mr. Edward Bains, 1018 Westview avenue, Germantown.

A LETTER FROM THE ACCOUNT- ING WARDEN

The accounting warden is glad to report that the total of the Easter offering amounted to \$1560.98, thus more than realizing the amount asked by the vestry which was \$1531.11. This offering made it possible to repay the loans made by the Chelton Trust Company which had been necessary to make in order that the bills contracted for the proper upkeep and maintenance of the church could be promptly met.

A committee of the vestry have been giving careful consideration to the ways and means of increasing the revenues of the parish. It is rather surprising that on going over the communicant list of those from whom the support of the church would come to find so many giving little or nothing towards its support. There are over 600 members of the parish but of this number but 285 regularly contribute through the envelopes. The offerings of this proportion for church maintenance for 1926 were \$6104.47. In addition, these contributors gave to the missionary apportionment in the other side of envelopes \$2519.96. It can be readily seen what a large proportion of the expense of the parish is borne by this small proportion of the members when the remaining portion contributed less than \$940.71, the total of all the plate offerings for the

year, some of which also came from those contributing through the envelopes. If each member would realize their responsibility towards the support of the church, this large discrepancy would certainly not exist, and the finances of the church be placed on a much firmer basis. Envelopes will gladly be furnished those not now subscribing through this system on application to the accounting warden. These pledges it is understood can be changed or cancelled at any time on due notice being given to the accounting warden.

The response to the appeal made to the congregation by Major Smith for the flood sufferers was most gratifying. \$177.45 was sent to the Red Cross from the special offering taken on the 8th inst. including the amounts later received and \$94.68 was sent from the Sunday School.

Edward Bains,
Accounting Warden.

THE MORNING SERVICE

On Sunday, June 26th, the summer session of the Church School will begin. The School will not meet in the Parish House, but the members will attend the Service in the Church, beginning at 10.30 A. M.

Preceding the sermon, a short address will be given to the members of the School, after which, during the singing of a hymn, the younger children may be excused. Parents are invited to be present with their children at this morning service. This will be a splendid opportunity for all parents in this community to accompany their children to this short service and to teach them in the ways of the Church. The short address to young people will be both interesting and instructive.

The usual sermon to adults will follow the short address. The entire service will be brief, and will be helpful to all who attend.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE CHIMES SOLICITED

A large number of persons in the Parish do not subscribe toward the expense of the publication of the Chimes. While it is desired that every family in the Parish shall have a copy each month of the Chimes and that every

member shall read it, it is hoped that all will realize that the publication of the Chimes depends upon the contributions and subscriptions received. It appears that a great many take the Chimes "as a matter of course," and do not think of their duty to help pay for the expense. Will not all members in the Parish co-operate in the expense of the publication of the Chimes and send their contribution or subscriptions to Mr. Frederick Lennig, 316 High Street, Germantown?

Subscription price, 75 cents. Amount of contributions—unlimited.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The Church School Easter service was held as usual in the Church on Easter evening. The service was well attended both by the scholars and by their friends and members of the Congregation. The Lenten offering for missions was presented and prizes were awarded for perfect attendance at Church School. Forty-seven pupils and teachers received awards in recognition of faithful and constant attendance at the sessions of the school. This is a noble record and cannot help but inspire all of us with its influence of loyalty and devotion.

Those who received awards were as follows:

One year—Elizabeth Bose, John Courtney, Thomas Pritchard, William Coyle, Elizabeth Stiver, Alfred Rittenhouse, Edward Wilcox, Sherman Rambo, Caroline Dove, Clara Hilliard, Miss Louise Dietz.

Two years—Gertrude Ard, Helen Logan, Jean Fitch, Louise McIlhenny, Helen Wertsner, Katherine Wertsner, Harriet Fitch, Ruth Carmint, Robert McIlhenny, Helen Robinson, Charles Ard, Mrs. Eleanor Christ.

Three years—Jane Courtney, George Johnson, William Stryke, Beatrice Johnson, Ruth Fitch.

Four years—Miss Marjorie Stryke.

Five years—Marjorie Wismer, Margaret Boyer, Jeanette Gilfillan, Graham Klink, Robert Klink.

Six years—Anna Bradley, Helen Jackson, Howard Logan, James Osborne, Ann Wertsner, May Johnston.

Seven years—Martha McHenry, Nan-

cy Courtney, Mary Keenan.

Eight years—Elizabeth Haas.

Fifteen years—Mrs. Raisbrown.

The Lenten offering amounts to \$707.40, with approximately fifty dollars outstanding. This total is somewhat smaller than last year, but the same spirit of loyalty and sacrifice was shown by the school. The fair which was held on April 22 added sixty-two dollars to the total but the remainder was raised by the individual efforts of the scholars and teachers. The primary department deserves especial commendation for its splendid offering of ninety-seven dollars.

On Sunday, June 5, at the Academy of Music, the national Presentation Service of the Lenten Offering will be held. Christ Church School will be present, and we hope that all the scholars and teachers will be present Sunday, June 5th.

A teachers' meeting was held in the Parish House on Tuesday, May 17. Various problems of the school were discussed and plans for next year were outlined. The school will begin its summer sessions on the fourth Sunday in June (June 26th) and commence its winter schedule on the third Sunday in September (Sept. 18). During the summer, the school will, as usual, be held in connection with the morning service in the Church. Fifteen teachers and officers were present at the meeting.

The present year has been a very successful one for the school. The attendance has grown, the morale of the school has been raised, the teachers have been regular, efficient, and devoted, and every one has helped to produce a united school with a high purpose.

Shall not next year be still greater than this? It all depends on each one of us. Come to the opening meeting of the school; come promptly; bring others who don't attend Church Schools. And always remember, our motto is "Prayer and Cooperation." Are you praying for our school? Are you cooperating?

On Saturday, June 4, the Primary Department will have a party in the Parish House at 3 P. M. The parents

and friends of the scholars are cordially invited to attend.

E. M. H.

THE MISSIONARY QUOTA

The Missionary Quota that Christ Church Parish is expected to give annually is \$4600. This Parish is credited in the Diocesan report as having again exceeded its quota.

Too much praise cannot be given to the members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Parish for the large share which they have had in raising that amount.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

On Maundy Thursday evening, April 14th, the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, visited this Parish and confirmed a class of thirty-eight persons. Five members of the Class were from Grace Church, Mt. Airy, and were presented by the Rector, the Rev. Charles E. Eder. Thirty-three persons were from Christ Church, thirteen girls, nine boys, four women and seven men. The names of the members who were confirmed from this Parish are as follows:

Katherine Stockton Andrus.

Rebecca Barton Baker, Samuel Newman Baxter, Jr., William Ashton Booz, Corinne Lillian Bose, John Mitchell Boyton, Jr., Mabel Charlotte Briggs.

George Walter Coyle, Elizabeth Everett Cummings.

Harriet Hathaway Fitch, Jean Isabelle Fitch, George Comly Foust, Jr., William Wahl Frech.

Ann Haines, Frances Ella Hocker, Helen Cummings Jackson, George Henry Johnston, Jr., Helen Elizabeth Johnston, Henry Rodney Jordan.

Marjorie Ruth Kittson.

Max Mulready Bell Levy.

Harold Dart Ovington.

George Melvin Parsley.

Helen Elmira Rambo, James Alfred Rittenhouse.

Phillip Fitch Snyder, Mary Elizabeth Stiver.

Henry Hamilton Warner, Rex Raymond White, Anita Catheryn Wilfong, Nancy Stoughton Winter, Walter Herbert Wismer, Jr., Elizabeth Chase Woodroffe.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The girls of the G. F. S. of our Parish are all on tip toe over the events to take place in May, thus closing our season for the summer months.

On Saturday, May 21st the Diocesan Garden Party of the G. F. S. will take place at the Germantown Cricket Club from 3 to 8. All kinds of sports, all kinds of things for sale, and all kinds of things to eat. Objects—Washington National Centre—the Memorial to mark the 50th anniversary of our existence—The White Williams Foundation—and the Boston Conference of the G. F. S. in the whole U. S.—special attention given to this year's Conference in honor of the 50th Anniversary.

On May 31st the Christ Church Branch of the G. F. S. will give an unusual entertainment in the Parish House to revive its almost depleted Treasury. This will be an Orthophonic demonstration through the courtesy of the Wilson Office of Germantown. Then Mrs. Florence Conrad Griscom will give an illustrated talk on "Birds" accompanied by slides that she has taken on her own place at Roslyn where she spends her life making homes for birds and safeguarding them. At the end of the evening the Orthophonic will provide the music for a dance.

On Sunday, June 5th, there will be a Candle Light Service under the auspices of the G. F. S. of our Parish. This will be held in the church at 7.45. We are hoping the congregation will be present to witness this very beautiful and impressive service which is the outward symbol of the object of the Girl's Friendly Society throughout the world, to unite for the glory of God and the fellowship of man—to bear one another's burdens, thus fulfilling the law of Christ. All are invited to this interesting service.

L. J. J.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The next business meeting will be held in "The Auxiliary Room" in the Parish House, June 6th at 2 P. M. at which time we shall hope to have a speaker with us.

At the May meeting, we decided to issue "Self Denial Coin Cards," in

June, among the women of our Parish, to be used during the summer; the same to be returned at the first business meeting in October. From the Coin Cards we hope to realize an "Offering" to go towards our yearly \$500.00 Special for Missions. We trust that this plan will appeal to the women of Christ Church. From the recent "Rummage Sale" we derived the sum of \$163.25. We are most grateful to the many persons in our Parish who aided so materially, by contributing Rummage. We anticipate giving another such sale in the autumn.

During May we have had the pleasure of having with us two speakers, Miss Dean, of the Italian Mission in our Diocese and the Rev. Mr. Baldwin, of Dupree, South Dakota, who told us of his missionary activities in that far-off state.

Among the many "hopes" of the Auxiliary, is this one that is cherished—that in the very near future every woman in Christ Church may become vitally interested in Missionary Work.

We are, all of us, stewards in our Lord's service, whether we accept our responsibility or not.

L. M. R.

BROTHERHOOD CAMP FOR BOYS

"Camp Bonsall," for Episcopalian boys in this part of the country, will operate this year on the following schedule: Leadership Training Conference for older boys, June 28—July 9; Younger Boys' period, July 11th—July 23; Boys' Clubs or other Parish organizations, July 25th—August 6. Camp Bonsall is located on Big Elk Creek, near Kelton, Chester county, Pennsylvania, fifty miles from Philadelphia. The Leadership Training Conference is open to all Church boys from 15 to 21 years of age. The Younger Boys' Period is open to all Church boys 12-15 years of age.

The Rector will be pleased to furnish further information to parents or to any boy in the Parish.

A SERMON FOR SUMMER

(Published by request)

Jotham did that which was right in

the sight of the Lord; howbeit he entered not into the temple of the Lord. And the people did yet corruptly. II Chron. 27:2.

Why is it that a man may live a good, upright life for many years and then do some one foolish or wretched thing, and that one thing will set the world against him and counteract all the good of his life? That was the way it was with King Jotham. He was a good man and a good king. "He did that which was right in the sight of the Lord,—Howbeit, he entered not into the temple of the Lord."

Like a great many other good people, Jotham was not addicted to the church going habit; did not, perhaps, feel the need of it. He was the King and therefore felt that he could do just as he pleased; do his duty just as well without any such ritual as the temple service supplied. And what was the result? What was the effect? The text tells us. "The people did corruptly." That was the result. It is always pretty sure to be the result. Jotham's example, as king, was ruinous to the morals of the nation. Spiritual apathy on his part became moral degradation in its wider issues. Jotham, as an individual, may have felt himself justified in dispensing with public worship of God; Nevertheless, the result of his example is recorded. Other men, perhaps weaker than he, more exposed to the grosser temptations of life, temperamentally men of less self control, followed his example; kept away from God's house and there was the inevitable, wide spread result—moral corruption, national ruin. "And the people did corruptly."

I want to say something on this question of Church Going today. Personally, I am not a pessimist on this subject. I am sure that more thoughtful, intellectual men are going to church today than there were ten years ago. I believe, on the other hand, and I regret to say it, that proportionally more women are neglecting church attendance than formerly. That is especially so among women of leisure, the so-called society women, who go along the line of least resistance, and for whom Sunday is often crowded with social engagements. In the aggregate, of course,

there are more women in our churches than men; perhaps that is the reason, as some one has said, that there are less women in our jails and penitentiaries than men. But according to a recent thorough survey, it is reported, there is an average upward grade in this matter of church attendance. There is a gradual reaction from the great religious indifference of a few years ago.

But there is another side to this question and it would be folly to deny it. There are multitudes of men and women who, like Jotham are living decent, respectable lives who never cross the threshold of a church. Many of these good people give generously to philanthropic enterprises and charitable objects. They are public spirited, but, so far as religious duty is concerned, they stand apart from the church of God, utterly indifferent. It is to this class of people that our text this morning has a special lesson. Let us suppose that King Jotham felt himself justified in staying away from the temple service. He may not have been in accord with the way things were run at the synagogue or the temple. He may not have liked the Rabbi or the Priest. He may not have liked the singing. He may not have liked this or that, or some other thing. Therefore, he would stay at home.

So he may have reasoned with himself. But, meanwhile, in ways unseen, by influences of which he never knew, Jotham's example, we read, brought wide spread ruin throughout the nation. "The people did corruptly." The example of one influential person becomes contagious. Jotham forgot, as we sometimes forget, that the influence of one bad habit on our associates, on our children, on our employees, is sufficient to offset the influence of many good habits. The people were more ready to follow Jotham's faults than his virtues. It is not our consistency in many things that men judge us by, but our inconsistencies in one thing. A man may be a good husband, a kind father, a generous friend; and yet, if the world can detect in that man's life one glaring inconsistency—as for example, that he is not square in his money transactions

—then, you may be sure, that by an unerring instinct the world will judge that man, not by what he sometimes is, but what he sometimes is not; not by the many good things that he does, but by the one or two glaring, bad things in his life. Shakespeare has said, "The evil that men do live after them; the good is oft interred with their bones." Is that not true? You may say that it is an uncharitable judgment, that it is unfair, unjust. "Jotham did right in the sight of the Lord—howbeit he entered not into the temple of the Lord." It is this, "Howbeit," in a man's biography that in nine cases out of ten turns the scale of his influence. "Jotham did that which was right in the sight of the Lord; howbeit, he entered not into the temple of the Lord."

So it is with the matter of church attendance. If all the people were to follow the example of some very good, respectable persons who never attend church, where would this city be? Where would this country be, if every Christian church were closed today? What would be the result on the moral and spiritual condition of this or any other community? When some benevolent work is to be done, some hospital to be erected, some charity to be ministered, who, as a rule, are the people sought to help? It is the people of the Christian Churches. There is no doubt about that, and is there any man who, if he could, would assume the responsibility of tearing down the churches of this land? Immediately a deterioration of morals would ensue. And yet, that is what every man or woman who does not attend and help to support the church is, in a measure, doing. A tremendous slump in ideal would follow, and, all over the land in the places of destroyed houses of worship, would spring up innumerable places of nameless degradation. There can be no doubt about that. And I say that every man and woman who habitually refuses to attend God's house from the very fact, that he or she is a moral, respectable person, is helping along, unconsciously, it may be, to the limit of his or her ability, this degradation of life for the entire community. It does not matter how good a man may be in his own

private life—Jotham's character was unimpeachable—or how correct his personal life may be—Jotham's life was exemplary—his influence, like that of Jotham's neglect in refusing to enter the house of God, is a direct contribution to the lowering of the standard of the community and the eventual degradation of the nation. "Jotham did that which was right in the sight of the Lord; howbeit, he entered not into the temple of the Lord, and the people did corruptly."

Today I want to plead especially with you, my friends, who in a short time may have left the city for a summer outing. As you love your country, as you love your fellowmen, as you love your children, or those who look to you for example, as you believe in God, as you are loyal to Christ, do not live the life of summer atheism, do not leave behind you your religious and church responsibilities. Do not say like the little girl said as she went away for the summer, "Good-bye, God, we are going off on a vacation." I sometimes think that, if the angels look down into some of our empty churches in mid-summer, and see the empty pews and deserted altar, there must be many a tear shed in the kingdom of heaven.

Meanwhile what are Mr. so and so and Mrs. families doing? In the winter months you will see them in church with a fair degree of regularity but away from home, church and their religious duties are never thought of. And what is the result? I will not speak of the immense evil results upon themselves and upon their own families, but what is the awful effect of their religious and church indifference upon the community where they spend their summer. It is absolutely demoralizing to the people in the country districts if the city man or woman presents Sunday after Sunday, the spectacle of Sunday desecration. If they use that day for purposes which make church going a mockery, is it likely that the young man or woman living in that community, witnessing the example set by the men and women from the city, is going to have a particularly high ideal of church people or of the obligations of the Lord's day. Still less will the countryman, the servant in the

hotel, where you may be staying, think of his spiritual obligations, if he knows that a city man or woman, who so openly scorns God's house in the summer and desecrates Sunday, is, in the winter, a reputable member, perhaps a vestryman or a Sunday School teacher, at home? To whom will God some day lay the responsibility of the decadence of religion in the country places? May it not be laid to the Godless example of summer visitors? So far from being a blessing, the advent of the summer boarder is often a curse to many a quiet, country village.

Do you realize, my friends, the tremendous neutralizing power such glaring inconsistencies in our life has upon others? One glaring inconsistency in a person's life is like the sleeve of a careless school boy at his copy books; he smears and blots with his arm what he writes fair with his hand. It is the smeared page that is most conspicuous at which the world looks and by which it judges us, and not the care and pain with which we may originally have tried to reproduce in our lives the precepts of the Gospel.

Jotham was a good man, "howbeit, he entered not into the temple of the Lord," and, therefore—Jotham's wife, and Jotham's children and Jotham's family—his friends, his employees, his associates—and therefore, "the people did corruptly."

So, this morning, I plead for a more consistent, sincere type of spiritual living. Let us resolve that, for the coming summer months, no matter where we may be, in the country, or in the mountains, or at the shore, or here at home, we will remain loyal to God, faithful in our prayers, faithful in our church attendance, faithful in our worship at the Holy Communion.

And more than that, every day that we live, the whole year round, let us seek to be true to Him, in our walk and conversation, not for our own selves only, but, also, for the sake of others. Let the prayer of the saintly George Herbert be our prayer:

"Teach me, my God and King,
In all things Thee to see,
And what I do in everything,
To do it as to Thee."

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8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily
At Home Saturday Evenings

The Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the Founding of Christ Church Parish will be celebrated, beginning Sunday, October 30th, and continuing throughout the week up to and including Sunday, November 6th. Read announcements in this issue of the "Chimes." We hope that every member of Christ Church will join in this great celebration of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of our Parish.

PROGRAM OF SERVICES AND MEETINGS DURING ANNIVERSARY WEEK

The following is the program of the Services and Meetings and the names of some of the speakers during Anniversary Week, beginning Sunday, October 30th and ending Sunday, November 6th, inclusive. The program in full will be issued later.

SERVICES IN THE CHURCH

Sunday, October 30th

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service, Historical Sermon by the Rector 11.00 A. M.
Church School Service—Addresses by the Rev. Franklin Clark,
of New York, Secretary of the National Council; and the
Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Jr., S. T. D., Rector St. Paul's
Church, Ogontz, Pa. (former member of Christ Church
School) 3.30 P. M.
Cantata—"The City of God" (by H. A. Matthews). Sung by
the Choir 7.45 P. M.

Every Day During the Week

Holy Communion, with Special Intercession 9.30 A. M.
All Saints' Day (Tuesday, November 1st)

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion and Memorial Service for the Departed 11.00 A. M.

Sunday, November 6th—"Re-Consecration Sunday"

Holy Communion 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Nathaniel Seymour
Thomas, D. D., late Bishop of Wyoming 11.00 A. M.
Guild Service, Sermon by the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, D. D.,
Rector Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia 7.45 P. M.

MEETINGS IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Tuesday, November 1st

Men's Dinner for all men in the Parish 6.30 P. M.
Speakers, The Rev. John R. Hart, Chaplain at the Uni-
versity of Pennsylvania, and others.

Friday, November 4th

Parish Re-union and Reception for all members of the Parish..8 to 10 P. M.

OUR COVER

The pictures which appear on the cover of this issue of the Chimes are from an old wood-cut, showing the original church building, as it appeared before its destruction by a hurricane in 1878, and the chapels of the Parish.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST CHURCH

The Seventy-Fifth anniversary of the founding of Christ Church Parish will be observed during the week beginning Sunday, October 30th.

This Anniversary will be an occasion for thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Giver of all good gifts, for the mercies and blessings that He has vouchsafed to this parish during the past seventy-five years. We have much to be thankful for, both as a parish and as individuals. We, who worship today in Christ Church, are enjoying the fruits of others' sowing. It is the result of the labors and sacrifices of others that the foundations of this parish were laid. It is the result of the labors and sacrifices of others that this beautiful Church was built. We, who today worship within these walls, have entered into an inheritance, rich in memory of saintly persons, who have loved and labored and sacrificed that we, their followers, might "carry on" the work of God. "Other men labored and ye are entered into their labors."

Let us, my friends, thank God, on this Seventy-Fifth Anniversary, for the noble examples of faithfulness, of generosity, of consecration that have been handed down to us as a precious legacy from the past.

May the example of the many faithful men and women of this parish who have been called to a higher service inspire us to carry on willingly and cheerfully the work so well begun and carried on by them. As they were faithful "laborers together with God," may we count it our chiefest duty and privilege to give our earnest prayers, our unceasing labors and our liberal gifts to the Church of Christ in which our Heavenly Father has placed us.

Faithfully yours,

Charles Henry Arndt.

RECONSECRATION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 6th

In the above program of services it will be noted that Sunday, November 6th, has been set aside as "Re-consecration Sunday."

The end and object of celebrating the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Christ Church parish should not be, simply, to mark the completion of seventy-five years in its history. This celebration should have a deeper meaning and a more far-reaching significance than that.

This occasion should mean, to every member of the parish, a re-consecration of self, of soul and body, to a more complete personal surrender to the service of Jesus Christ and his Church. To the older members of the parish, not many years are left to work in His vineyard; even to the youngest, "the time is short." Let each one of us realize that "life is real and life is earnest." Let each of us realize the preciousness of time and the rapid passing of opportunity, which God gives to every one. Let each of us, on this occasion of our Anniversary, solemnly consecrate himself anew to God and pledge himself to a more faithful, self-sacrificing service to Jesus Christ. And, to the younger and to the new members of the parish, this Anniversary should be an occasion of an awakening of the conscience to a full realization of their personal responsibility to "carry on" the great work of the Church, which the faithful men and women who have gone before have handed over to you, "a people of inheritance as ye are this day." "Ye have reaped that whereon ye bestowed no labor. Other men labored and ye are entered into their labor."

I am, therefore, appointing Sunday morning, November 6th, as a Re-Consecration Sunday for all members of this parish. I ask every member of Christ Church, solemnly set aside that day, as a Day of Personal Re-Consecration and on that day be present at the celebration of the Holy Communion. I earnestly appeal to every indifferent member, who has allowed himself, for whatsoever cause it may be, to

stray away from the Church and to neglect the life-giving Sacraments,—I earnestly appeal to every indifferent member of this parish to "recall to mind the solemn promise and vow you once made before God's altar," and I ask that on this Anniversary Sunday, this Sunday of Re-Consecration, you renew your "solemn vow and promise," with earnest prayers to God that you may be more conscientious, more deeply consecrated in the faithful discharge of your Christian duty.

And those in our parish who have been ever loyal and true—and there are not a few—the vestrymen, the workers in the parish Guild, the members of the Church School, the faithful attendants at the services of the church, I ask you all to present yourselves at the altar on Sunday morning, November 6th, asking God to help you and to give you strength to do the work which He has given you to do, to direct and guide you in all your endeavors and keep you faithful, even unto the end.

Faithfully your friend and Rector,
Charles Henry Arndt.

A PARISH REUNION AND
RECEPTION

A parish re-union and reception will be held in the parish house on Friday evening, November 4th, from eight to ten o'clock. This re-union will be an occasion for every member of the parish, and for all who attend Christ Church, to meet together as members of one church family on the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of our "Mother Parish." Every loyal, loving child would commemorate with respect, the seventy-fifth birthday of an earthly parent. Surely, with, at least, equal respect and love and joy we should commemorate the birthday of our spiritual mother—the parish. Not only all present members of the parish are invited to this re-union, but also, all who were formerly members of this parish, or have been, in any way connected with the Church, will be welcome. It is expected that Bishop Garland, the Bishop of the Diocese, will be present.

There will be music and light re-

freshments served.

It is hoped that every member of the parish will be present.

MUSIC FOR ANNIVERSARY

The Choir, under the direction of Gordon Thomas, choirmaster, is preparing special music for the services on the Sundays of "Anniversary Week," beginning Sunday, October 30th, and ending Sunday, November 6th. Several new members have been added to the Choir. The program of music for the two Anniversary Sundays is as follows:

Morning Prayer, October 30, 1927

Organ Prelude—Choral et Fugue,
from Fifth Sonata A. Guilmant
Venite Jones
Glorias Jones
Te Deum—Festival in C.

Warwick Jordan

Jubilate in A Frances McCollin
Anthem—The Lord is my Light

H. W. Parker

Organ Postlude—Fantasia in G
Minor J. S. Bach

Evening Prayer, October 30, 1927
The City of God. Cantata by H.
Alexander Matthews

Communion, Nov. 6, 1927

Organ Prelude—Third Choral
Cesar-Franck

Kyrie Tallis
Gloria Tibi Tallis

Anthem—God is our Refuge and
Strength Frances McCollin

Sursum Corda
Sanctus Tschaikowsky

Penedictus Tschaikowsky
Gloria in Excelsis A. J. Eyre

Nunc Dimittis
Organ Postlude—Toccata in D
minor J. S. Bach

Evening Prayer, Nov. 6, 1927

Organ Prelude—Finale from Six
Pieces Cesar-Franck

Magnificat—B flat J. Stainer
Nunc Dimittis—B flat J. Stainer

Anthem—The Lord is King
Frances McCollin

Organ Postlude—Con moto maes-
toso from Third Sonata for
Organ F. Mendelssohn

PROGRAM OF SERVICES AND MEETINGS FOR ANNIVERSARY WEEK

Sunday, October 30th

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Morning Prayer, Historical Sermon by the Rector 11.00 a. m.
Church School Service, Addresses by the Rev. Franklin Clark of New York, Secretary of the National Council, and the Rev. Philip J. Steinmetz, Jr., S. T. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Elkins Park, and former member of Christ Church School.

Cantata, "The City of God" (H. Alexander Matthews). Sung by the Choir 7.45 p. m.

Every Day

Holy Communion, with special intercessions* 9.30 a. m.
All Saints' Day, (Tuesday, November 1st.

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Holy Communion and Memorial Service for the Departed, 11.00 a. m.

Tuesday: Men's Dinner .. 6.30 p. m. (The Rev. John R. Hart, Chaplain at the University of Pennsylvania, and others).

Friday, Parish Re-union for all members of the Parish 8-10 p. m.

Sunday, (November 6th) "Re-consecration Sunday."

Holy Communion 7.30 a. m.
Holy Communion, Sermon by the Rt. Rev. Nathaniel S. Thomas, D. D. Bishop of Wyoming, 11.00 a. m.
Guild Service—Sermon by the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, D. D., Rector Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia. 7.45 p. m.

*The Objects for special intercessions at the daily Celebration of the Holy Communion will be as follows:

Monday, October 31st

For the Rector; for the members of the Vestry; and for all officers of the Parish Societies.

Tuesday, November 1st

For the Church School; the officers and teachers; for the scholars and for their parents.

Wednesday, November 2nd

For all members of the Parish—especially for those who have become indifferent to their Christian duties;

for those who have given away to temptation and fallen into sin.

Thursday, November 3rd

For the sick; for those in sorrow; in tribulation; in need; in trouble; for the lonely and the friendless; for those who are bearing heavy burdens.

Friday, November 4th

For Missions and Missionaries, at home and abroad; for the Women's Auxiliary; for social workers and all who are engaged in any Christian work.

Saturday, November 5th

For the unity of the Church; for peace and concord among the nations; for the spread of Christ's Kingdom upon Earth.

COLONEL SHELDON POTTER IMPROVING

The many friends of Col. Sheldon Potter, senior vestryman of Christ Church, will be pleased to learn that he is steadily recovering from the serious illness, with which he has been confined to the Germantown Hospital for the past two months. The prayers of the members of Christ Church will not cease to be said on behalf of Col. Potter that he may be restored to health and strength and be spared to continue his useful life in this community and in this Church, where he has been a faithful vestryman for forty-two years.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

The first thing on the winter's program for the Mothers' Meeting will be the collection of our contributions for the Needle Work Guild. Our share has always been a creditable one and we hope to make an even better showing this year than heretofore.

Afterward we expect to have our usual Autumn sale of rugs, towels, aprons and other household articles.

All old members and new ones will be most cordially welcome to our first meeting on Tuesday, October the eleventh.

A. M. M.

THE ANNIVERSARY OFFERING A THANK-OFFERING

At a meeting of the Vestry held Tuesday, October 4th, it was decided to ask the members of Christ Church to make the offering on "Anniversary Sunday," November 6th, a **Thank-Offering**—"an offering to preserve the inheritance of the Church."

In the words of one of the Committee: "It is thought that every one in any way connected with or included in Christ Church today is thankful for the inheritance he or she now enjoys."

"The founders built wisely and well in their day and how generously their successors followed their example in the day of disaster, when the Church building was destroyed in 1878, is evidenced by the present beautiful Church in which we now worship."

It is, surely, our duty "to preserve the inheritance of the Church" to keep in repair and in good condition the Church buildings which have been handed down to us.

This requires, each year, a large outlay of money, which must be realized at any sacrifice; for delays in repairs sometimes are dangerous and "a stitch in time saves nine."

One of the objects of this "Thanksgiving Offering," which is asked from the members of the parish on Anniversary Sunday, November 6th, will be to make it possible to attend to some present very necessary repairs to the Church property and also to provide a fund from which to draw from time to time, that repairs needed in the future may not be delayed.

"An Offering to Preserve the Inheritance of the Church"—Surely, this object will strongly appeal to every member of the parish who has entered this "inheritance," which the founders and their successors, by their labors and sacrifices, have handed down to us.

"Freely have ye received; freely give."

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Christ Church School opened for the year 1927-28 with a splendid atten-

dance of both pupils and teachers on September 18th. There was a Corporate Communion at 7.30 followed by breakfast in the Parish House, and the regular session of the school was held at 9.45. This was "Consecration Day" for the School—the day when all consecrated their lives afresh to the work of Christ in our Parish. Thanks for the successful breakfast are due to the Misses Armstrong, Stryke and Breeding.

We deeply regret the loss of several faithful teachers this year, Mrs. Morris, whose place will be filled by Mrs. Wurts, Mrs. Armstrong, whose place will be filled by Miss Clifton, Mrs. Schaeffer, who will be succeeded by Miss Irwin, and Mrs. Christ, whose place will be filled by Mr. Hamilton Warner. Our prayers and best wishes go with our faithful friends.

A meeting of the teachers and officers was held on Thursday, September 29th. Plans for the year were discussed and various suggestions were offered. The following committees were appointed.

Executive Committee: Miss Dietz, Miss Gray, Miss Courtney, Mr. Maloney, Mr. Melville, Chairman.

Christmas Committee: Miss Clifton, Miss Stryke, Mr. Clausen, Chairman.

Thanksgiving Committee: Mr. Maloney.

The program for the School's participation in the seventy-fifth anniversary of Christ Church was outlined. The teachers agreed to visit all their scholars before the anniversary, so, if you have children in the school, be ready to give a hearty welcome to their teacher. Plans were also suggested for a membership campaign.

On September 25th every teacher was present in the School—a splendid record.

On October 2nd two boys received pins for seven years perfect attendance. They were James Osborne and Howard Logan.

Miss Annette Wells has taken a class in the primary department.

Our Church School has had a splendid start for the year and there is every reason to expect improvement and progress. Are you helping with your pray-

ers and cooperation? All young people in this community will be welcomed to our School.

E. M. H.

A SERVICE OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

I wish to call attention to the members of Christ Church and others living in this vicinity to the Service of Evening Prayer which is held in Christ Church on Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock.

At this service special intercessory prayer is made on behalf of persons in physical, mental, or spiritual need.

Persons who wish special intercessions on their behalf or on behalf of friends are asked to notify the Rector. He may be seen in the Sacristy of the Church half hour before this service on Friday afternoons.

MEMORIAL ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Society has charge of placing on the Altar the flowers given by members of the Parish in memory of their departed friends. This beautiful custom of remembering at the Altar the dear ones who rest in Paradise has been observed in this Parish for many years, and any in the Parish who wish to have the names of their friends on this "Memorial List" are invited to consult with the Rector, and he will be pleased to assign to them a Sunday nearest to the anniversary of the marriage, or birth, or death of their "Blessed Dead." After the Sunday Service the flowers are sent to the sick in the parish or to hospitals.

On the "days of remembrance" it will be comforting to come to God's House and in His presence recall the loving memory of dear ones whom we have "loved long since and lost awhile"; to kneel before the Altar and to feel their nearness and unite with them and all God's saints in one common worship—"knit together in one Communion and Fellowship in the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord."

Persons who wish to have a Sunday for "memorial flowers" may apply to any member of the Altar Guild or to the

Rector. Cards bearing the names of those in whose memory the flowers are given, should always accompany the flowers.

ENVELOPE SUBSCRIBERS

Subscribers through the envelope system, who have been away during the summer, are very generally paying the amounts that they have omitted giving during their absence. It is very gratifying to the Warden to receive these arrears, as he depends upon them to meet his financial obligations.

It is hoped that all subscribers who may be in arrears will kindly make them up at their earliest convenience.

RUMMAGE SALE!

On the 10th and 11th of November the Woman's Auxiliary will hold a Rummage Sale in the Parish House. Will you please send us anything for which you have no further use on or before November 9th? If you cannot send the things, notify Mrs. Frank Wells, 244 West Horter St., (Phone Ger. 8884) and they will be called for.

THE BOY SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts, Troop 153, have resumed their weekly meetings in the Parish House on Monday evenings at 7.30 o'clock. Our troop at Christ Church is a "Red Star Troop," which has been awarded special honor for passing very rigid examinations covering all scout activities. An invitation to all younger boys in the Parish is extended by the Scoutmaster to visit the troop on Monday evenings in the Parish House.

The roll is not quite full at the present time and an opportunity to join this troop is open to the right kind of young fellows. Come around next Monday night!

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FELLOWSHIP

The Young People's Fellowship is beginning its third year and it bids

fair to be more popular than ever.

Plans are being made for our winter's work. If there are any young people interested in dramatics it might be well for them to join the Fellowship before Christmas.

Also—if there are any young people interested in athletics, they might come around to a meeting and listen to our plans, or help us form better ones.

Just to remind you of our meeting nights—every Sunday night at seven o'clock, and second Thursday in the month at eight o'clock. All young people are invited.

Come, bring your friends, and let's make the Fellowship bigger and stronger than it ever has been!—H. M.

THE UNITED THANK OFFERING

Since 1889, the women of the Church have given three million dollars to the United Thank offering. This money is spent for the support of trained women workers in the Church's work. The work in the past has been good; the need at present is greater than ever and it is my hope to have every woman member of our Parish a contributor to the United Thank Offering. If there is anyone who would like to have one of the little "Blue Boxes" in which to put her offering, I will be glad to see that she gets it.

The semi-annual offering is due Wednesday, October 26th. Will those having contributions kindly let me have them by Friday, October 21st?

Mrs. John A. Siemons,
228 W. Johnson Street,
United Thank Offering Treasurer.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary is looking forward to an interesting and profitable winter. At the October Meeting the work for the ensuing year was definitely mapped out.

The first Monday of each month will be the business meeting. The second Monday will be the sewing meeting. At this time garments al-

lotted to the Auxiliary by the Supply Bureau are made. These garments are sent eventually to the mission fields.

On the third Monday of the month the Mission Study Group will meet. Each meeting will be devoted to the study of a different country. It has also been decided to serve luncheon in connection with these meetings.

The Auxiliary regrets exceedingly that Mrs. Charles Heyer will not be with us this winter. Mrs. Heyer has served both as Educational Secretary and United Thank Offering Treasurer for several years. Her faithful and efficient services will be sadly missed.

SERVICES ON ALL SAINTS' DAY

The services on All Saints' Day—November 1st—will be Holy Communion, 7.30 and 11.00 A. M. At the latter service there will be an address by the Rector and the names of those who have entered into life eternal during the past year will be read from the chancel and prayer will be said in behalf of the blessed dead. Flowers on the altar on that day will be "in memory," given by those who desire to send them. After the service they will be sent to the sick in the Parish.

The dead in Christ are not very far from us. By this is not meant any false spiritualism, any physical nearness or sound, or sight or touch. That would be only to restore what is most imperfect, and what death was meant to end.

The nearness is that of the deeper, hidden bands which bind the souls of them that love Him together, in the Lord Jesus Christ. The body is resting in the grave under the care of God's holy angels till the glory of the resurrection morning, but the soul is with Christ. He knows it, cares for it, watches it, loves it, has drawn it to Himself in a closer union, has poured fuller graces upon it, has washed it in His own blood. It is one with Him in a fuller, deeper sense than ever before. The soul, too, must be gaining in all spiritual powers; it must be growing in love, in humility, in charity, in every grace.

It is surely right to think that it remembers those it loved on earth; that it

prays for them; that it is fuller of abounding grace, and worships the eternal God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, as it never worshipped here. And, therefore, in proportion as one left behind grows nearer to Christ he must be growing nearer to his loved one.

Both in Christ, they must also be very near to one another in Him; He is their meeting place. The departed one is on one side of the veil, the living on the other—that is all. Just as when two who love one another here are parted, and hear that they can meet, they hurry as quickly as possible to the place appointed, even so will the mourner try to draw near to the one taken away, by prayer, by good works, by patience, by gentle cheerfulness, and, above all, to "the trysting place of the soul," the Holy Communion. Wheresoever Christ is, there the dead in Christ must be. Thus it is that there must be deep and invisible bonds binding the holy living to the holy dead in Him.

They are awaiting us in Paradise. The reason of man teaches, and Holy Scriptures confirm it, that we shall know one another in that blessed land. We must believe that the dearest ties we have on earth, the things that most lead us unto God, have their fruition in heaven—not in any earthly way, but divested of all that is weak and poor and frail in them, in a transfigured glory. All our heart, and thought and feeling will indeed center in Christ, but these blessed ties will be the steps to the throne on which He sits. In loving any member in His mystical body, we shall only love Him the more who is the Head of it. Thus father and son, mother and daughter, husband and wife, friend with friend, one in Christ will still be one with each other. Somehow in this world, family ties, if they bind the members of the family closely together, serve also to separate the family in that degree, from the rest of the world. In the other life, there will be all the union and none of the separation. The one family of Christ, however much all earthly bonds may find in it then blessed fulfillment, will know no separation, and yet each earthly tie on which God has set the seal of His blessing, will have its distinct place in the eternal oneness.

Thus as the mourner here on earth seeks to draw near to God, each step will bring him closer to the soul at rest with God, until at last the veil shall be lifted, and, hand in hand, the glad company of the Redeemed, they will see the vision of God's glory, and at the Resurrection wake up after God's likeness.

James De Koven.

Lord, where Thou art our Holy Dead must be,
Unpierced, as yet, the Sacramental mist;
But we are nearest them and nearest Thee
At solemn Eucharist.
O Lord, we crave for those gone Home to Thee,
For those who made the earthly home so fair;
How little we may know, how little see,
Only that Thou art there.
Dear hands unclasped from ours are clasping Thee;
Thou holdest us for ever in Thy Heart;
So close the One Communion—are we In very truth, apart?
Lord, where Thou art our happy Dead must be;
And if with Thee, what then their boundless bliss!
Till faith be sight; and Hope reality;
Love's Anchorage is this.

STRANGERS AND OCCASIONAL ATTENDANTS

The Rector is pleased to see and to welcome the strangers and occasional worshippers who attend the services at Christ Church. He is very anxious to meet them and to welcome them to identify themselves more fully with Christ Church. No one ought to be content to remain an "outsider," without a Church which he can call his own. Every one needs the Church and the Church needs every one.

The Rector hopes that persons in this community, who are not settled in any Church, will make themselves known to him at once, giving him their names and addresses, and he will be pleased to call upon them and to welcome them to this "Church Home." Do not delay longer. *Do it now.*

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Vestry

James M. Woodroffe (1901), Rector's Warden.
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William N. Johnson, M. D. (1893)
Richard H. Morris (1904)
C. G. Rowley (1915)
Frederick Lennig (1915)
Thomas H. Carmichael, M. D. (1921)
John F. Davidson (1923)
William H. Clausen, Jr. (1924), Secretary
T. Homer Atherton (1927)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
first Tuesday after Easter and on the first
Tuesday of June, October and January.

Choirmaster, Gordon Thomas, 29 E. Walnut
Lane
Chimemaster, John F. Arndt.
Verger, John Hurst

Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Senior)—Third
Thursday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Junior)—2nd
and 4th Mondays, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Every Monday, 2 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Thursday, 8 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

I give and bequeath to the Rector, Church
Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church,
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vania, the sum of

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Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.

The pews in this Church are all free and unassigned. The support of the Church and its missionary work and its charities is dependent upon the free will offering of those who worship here.

Every member should be a regular contributor through the weekly "Envelope System of Giving." Pledge cards will be found in the vestibules of the Church or may be had from the Verger. These cards should be signed with name and address, etc. (as indicated on the cards), and placed on the alms plate at any service. Packages of envelopes will then be furnished.

These pledges, being entirely voluntary, may be increased, decreased or cancelled, at any time by notifying the Rector.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1928

A LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

MY DEAR FRIENDS:

In another column of the Chimes will be found a schedule of services during Lent.

It is needless for me to say how deeply concerned I am that the people of Christ Church shall consistently and conscientiously observe this blessed season, and appropriate the privileges and blessings which it offers to every one who will keep it in spirit and in truth.

While it is rightly called a season of fasting—a season when we deny ourselves many things which are accustomed to occupy much of our thoughts, our time and our resources, it is also and primarily a season of Feasting—a season when we may feast our minds, our hearts and our souls on the best and the highest and most enduring and worthwhile things in life, namely, an unselfish service for God and our fellow men.

Our Church does not belittle this holy season of Lent by attempting to prescribe definite restriction nor to dictate details of individual conduct. It would rather trust its children and appeal to their conscience, as to the proper observance of the season by each individual. It raises the whole question to the high plane of spiritual privilege and principle. Its appeal is expressed in the words of the collect: "O Lord, give us grace to use such abstinence, that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey Thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness." "Create and make in us, O God, new and contrite hearts!"

This, my friends, should be our prayer during Lent, "New and contrite hearts"; and our every endeavor should be "that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey God's will and walk in His way in righteousness and true holiness."

Our Lent will then be both a fast and a feast—a fast from all things which would draw us away from the things of the Spirit, and a feast upon the things which nourish and enrich the soul.

Then as we meet at the altar of the Risen Lord on Easter morn we may sing with glad hearts the triumphant song, the psalm of victory: "Christ is risen from the dead; therefore, let us keep the feast; *Not with old leaven, neither the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*

Faithfully your friend and Rector,

CHARLES HENRY ARNDT.

CALENDAR FOR LENT

February 22nd—Ash Wednesday.
February 26th—First Sunday in Lent.
February 29th, March 2nd and 3rd—Ember Days.
March 4th—Second Sunday in Lent.
March 11th—Third Sunday in Lent.
March 26th—The Annunciation.
March 18th—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
March 25th—Fifth Sunday in Lent.
April 1st—(Palm) Sixth Sunday in Lent.
April 5th—Maundy Thursday.
April 6th—Good Friday.
April 8th—Easter Day.

SERVICES DURING LENT

SUNDAYS

Holy Communion .. 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Special Preachers
(See below) 7.45 P. M.
Young People's Fellowship Meet-
ing in Parish House 6.45 P. M.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Holy Communion ... 7.30 A. M.
Morning Prayer, Penitential Office
Address ... 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service, Address ... 8.00 P. M.

WEEK-DAY SERVICES

Tuesdays
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Wednesdays
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
*Evening Service, Address.. 8.00 P. M.
Thursdays
Evening Prayer, Special Address
to Young People ... 4.45 P. M.
Fridays
Litany with Special Interces-
sions ... 9.30 A. M.
Saturdays
Evening Prayer, Talks on the
"Holy Communion" ... 4.45 P. M.
*Subject of Wednesday Evening Ad-
dresses: "Seven Fundamentals of the
Christian Faith."

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion with blessing
of the palms 7.30 A. M.
Morning Service and Ser-
mon 11.00 A. M.
Cantata—Mauder's "Olivet to
Calvary" .. 7.45 P. M.
Monday
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Tuesday
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Wednesday
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Litany, Address 8.00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Evening Prayer, Address 4.45 P. M.
Confirmation 8.00 P. M.

Good Friday

Pro-Anaphora, Penitential Of-
fice, Address 10.30 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on the
"Seven Words from the Cross"
(Led by The Rev. Alfred M. Smith,
of St. Clement's Church, Philadel-
phia) 12 M. to 3 P. M.

Saturday

Evening Prayer, Infant Bap-
tism 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6.30 A. M.
..... 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Church School Easter Carol
Service 7.30 P. M.

All week-day services will be held in the side chapel in the Church, with the exception of the Wednesday night services and the Good Friday services, which will be held in the nave.

Instruction on Confirmation weekly in the Parish House until the Bishop's Visitation.

For Adults, Friday evenings at 8 o'clock.

For Minors, Sunday afternoons at 4 o'clock.

CONFIRMATION

Classes for instruction in Confirmation are being held in the Parish House every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock for minors and on Friday evenings at eight o'clock for adults. All persons who are not baptized or confirmed are requested to give their names to the Rector as soon as possible.

The Rector will be pleased to meet any person who wishes to consult with him on the subject, after Church service or by appointment. The Bishop will visit this Parish Maundy Thursday evening, April 5th.

ACCOUNTING WARDEN'S
REPORT

The annual report of the Accounting Warden as made to the Vestry at the regular meeting, January 3, 1928, was as follows:

Cash Balance, January 3, 1927	\$ 115.97
INCOME	
<i>Receipts for Parish Purposes—</i>	
From Envelope Offerings	\$ 6,411.15
From Plate Offerings	946.70
From Special Subscriptions and Offerings	650.87
From Repair Fund (Blue Envelopes)	617.77
From Investments and Endowments	4,044.72
From Miscellaneous	54.96
From Anniversary Offering	645.30
From Christmas Offering	375.25
From Easter Offering	1,565.98
From Appropriation from 1922 Anniversary Fund for Choir	137.00
From Sunday School Offerings	470.53

\$15,920.23

For Purposes Outside of Parish—

For Missions	\$ 2,891.97
For Episcopal Hospital	208.18
For Poor of Parish	730.95
For Special Contribution for Flood Sufferers and Children's Outing Fund...	477.98
For Special Contribution for Bishop's Fund and Good Friday Offering	78.16
For Miscellaneous Purposes	81.59
For Organ Fund Account	605.00
For Sunday School and Lenten Offering	543.68

\$5,617.51

\$21,653.71

EXPENDITURES

For Parish Purposes—

Salaries	\$ 6,191.13
Pension Premiums	315.00
Organist and Choir	2,578.32
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,464.73
Taxes, Insurance, Fuel and Lights	1,892.68
Sunday School Appropriation	720.00
Repairs and Improvements	1,398.54
Interest on Loans	59.73

Episcopal Diocesan and Convention Assessment	641.69
Anniversary Expenses	267.78

\$15,529.00

Loans Repaid ... \$ 1,000.00

For Purposes Outside of Parish—

For Poor of Parish	726.71
For Missions	2,582.72
For Episcopal Hospital	207.18
For Bishop's Fund and Good Friday Offering	78.16
For Children's Country Week and Flood Sufferers	477.98
For Sunday School Lenten Offering	543.68
For Miscellaneous Purposes	21.25
For a/c Organ Fund, Principal and Interest	454.80

\$ 5,092.48

\$21,622.08

Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1927 31.63

\$21,653.71

Owing—

For Missions	\$ 491.05
Chelton Trust Co.	500.00
S. S. Liberty Bond Coupons	2.12
Poor of Parish	4.24

\$1,027.41

The Finance Committee of the Vestry has been making an effort to extend the use of the envelope system with a hope that every member of Christ Church Parish would realize his or her responsibility in the support of the work of the Parish and would subscribe regularly that it would be possible to anticipate the funds available for the support of the Church. The response to the appeal addressed to every member by circular letter met with an encouraging response but there are many still who do not avail themselves of this easy method of giving systematically. The accounting warden would be glad to receive pledges from those who have not already sent them and furnish envelopes for this purpose on receipt of such pledges.

EDWARD BAINS,
Accounting Warden.

SPECIAL SERVICES SUNDAY
EVENINGS IN LENT

An interesting series of services will be held in Christ Church on Sunday evenings in Lent. The service on each Sunday evening will be under the auspices of one or more of the Societies of the Parish Guild and the clergy will be assisted in the service of each evening by some member or members of the Societies. A special preacher will speak at each service.

The schedule, as arranged to the time of going to press, is as follows:

February 26th, First Sunday in Lent—In charge of the Church School and Men's Bible Class. Preacher: The Rev. Howard W. Gernand, Rector of the House of Paryer, Branchtown, Philadelphia.

March 4th, Second Sunday in Lent—In charge of the Girls' Friendly Society, Daughters of the King and Altar Guild. Preacher: The Rev. William B. Beach, D. D., Rector, Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown, Pa.

March 11th, Third Sunday in Lent—In charge of the Woman's Auxiliary and Mothers' Meeting. Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Walter H. Overs, D. D., former Bishop of Liberia.

March 18th, Fourth Sunday in Lent—In charge of the Young People's Fellowship, Boy Scouts and St. Christopher Guild. Preacher: The Rev. John Hart, Jr., Ph. D., ("Jack Hart"), Chaplain at the University of Pennsylvania.

March 25th, Fifth Sunday in Lent—In charge of the Vestry. Preacher: The Rev. John Mockridge, D. D., Rector St. James' Church, Philadelphia.

April 1st, Sunday next before Easter—In charge of the Church Choir. Cantata: "Olivet to Calvary," by John Maunder.

LANTERN SLIDE LECTURES

The Young People's Fellowship will give a series of Half-Hour Lantern Slide Lectures in the Parish House on Sunday evening during Lent, beginning at seven o'clock sharp. The series will consist of the following:

Sunday Evening, February 26: Church Work Among the Philippinos.

Sunday Evening, March 4th: Church

Work in Africa.

Sunday Evening, March 11th: Church Work Among the Indians.

Sunday Evening, March 18th: Church Work in China.

Sunday Evening, March 25th: Church Work in Latin-America.

Sunday Evening, April 1st: Church Work in Liberia.

All members of the Parish are cordially invited to attend this interesting series, on Sunday evenings, in the Parish House beginning at seven o'clock, sharp.

THE PARISH EXCEEDS ITS
QUOTA FOR MISSIONS

For several years past Christ Church has slightly exceeded the quota (\$4,600) which has been assigned to it for missions.

Report from the Diocesan headquarters credits our parish with having received, to date, \$4,729.00. In addition to this amount, \$260.00 has been given to "specials," which are not credited to the quota.

The Rector wishes to express his gratification to the members of the Parish in the increased interest which is being shown in the great work of the Church—the Church's mission.

It is hoped that this interest will increase and extend, until it includes every member of the Parish giving to missions, by contributing systematically through the envelopes.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
(Missionary Society)

Monday, January second the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held. The report from the secretary showed that there had been an average attendance of nineteen members during the past year, four speakers who have told of their various activities in the mission fields both at home and abroad and that under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary a mission study class for young women was held once a week during the Lenten season.

PROGRAM FOR THIS YEAR

This year we will continue our work as usual. The first Monday of the month is the business meeting. We are anxious to have a much larger attendance at these

meetings. Every baptized woman of the parish is a member of the Woman's Auxiliary and should take an interest in the missionary work of the Church.

The second Monday is devoted to the sewing of garments for workers in the missionary fields. We are sadly in need of workers in this department.

On the third Monday of the month is held the Mission Study class. These meetings are preceded by a luncheon and they are most enjoyable affairs. All the women in the parish are cordially invited to attend these luncheons. The cost is only thirty-five cents per person.

During April we will hold a rummage sale. Please bear this in mind and save us anything for which you have no further use.

A. M. W.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

The year 1927 opened with a balance of \$23.63 in the Special Fund of the treasury of the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church, Germantown. This was soon wiped out as it was necessary to add to our contribution of \$500 to the parish quota a sum of \$50. This \$500 was raised by the efforts of the Auxiliary over and above the regular financing of the Auxiliary, by the holding of two rummage sales which netted some \$400, Self-Denial Cards and a large bridge party given by Mrs. William N. Johnson at her home, allowing the Treasury to close with a small balance to commence this year's work. This \$500 was applied on the parish quota through the following missions: \$100 to the Colored Work at St. Augustine's School, N. C.; \$100 to the Episcopal Hospital through the Diocesan Work; \$100 to the Foreign work in Hankow, China; \$100 to the Domestic work being done in Anvik, Alaska, for the Mission of Christ Church; \$100 to the salaries for the Indian workers in the field, through the Indian's Hope Committee.

Our regular work is carried on through the medium of envelopes, monthly offerings being made by some of the members of the Parish, the amount being entirely voluntary and in no instance a large amount; two offerings in the church All Saints' Day and Ascension Day—are set aside for the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, and a bequest from the

estate of Miss Sallie Johnson which nets a quarterly income of \$50.

Through these channels we are able to send a delegate to each of the Diocesan Committees—five in number—Colored, Diocesan, Foreign, Domestic and Indian's Hope—each month with \$10 to put to any call that may seem most urgent to the delegate—and with the explicit request that it applies to the quota. Two specials were given, one of \$10 to the Kuling School in Japan by an individual member; \$5 from the Domestic Committee towards an auto. We can all remember not so many years ago when the delegates went to these meetings quite reluctantly, for they usually went empty handed, but since this envelope system has been in operation they quite look forward to the meetings, and the committees look forward with equal joy to the \$50 a month that comes from Christ Church Auxiliary.

If we could only impress upon more women in the parish of the far-reaching good that their 5, 10 and 25 cents a month would accomplish in sending the gospel to all corners of the world, and that we each had a part in making the large part that was to bring the glad tidings to all people—we are sure there would not be a woman in the Parish who would not clamor for a little yellow envelope from the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church.

This fund also buys the materials for our yearly sewing through the Supply Bureau, the wool also; we meet our parochial obligations in helping to carry the overhead expenses of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese; we make our Corporate Gift to the Diocese, and many other things too numerous to mention. But think what we could do if every woman would contribute to the Woman's Auxiliary of this parish and even better come to our meetings the first Monday in the month, and to our Mission Reviews the third Monday in each month.

Envelopes can be had by application to Mrs. Topliff Johnson, 5605 Greene Street, or from the President, Mrs. T. P. Robinson, 148 East Washington Lane.

L. J. J.

MISSION STUDY CLASS

The Girls' Friendly Society of Christ Church, Germantown, are happy to announce that there will be a Mission Study Class held in the Parish House under the auspices of the Friendly in their room, every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, beginning Tuesday, February 28th. The subject this year is "The Church Awake" and the leader will be Miss Bertha Brown from All Saints' Church, Philadelphia.

A hearty invitation is extended to all girls, young women and older women in the parish to unite with the Girls' Friendly Society to make this Mission Study Class a spiritual and intellectual benefit to our church people.

L. J. JOHNSON, Branch President

THE LENTEN SERVICES

The schedule of special Lenten services will be found on another page of this issue of the "Chimes." The hours of the services have been arranged to meet as far as possible, the convenience of every class of people within the parish. The early celebration of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday has been appointed at half past seven o'clock, that business people and others may attend before going to their daily duties, and thus avail themselves of a proper beginning of this Holy Season. The afternoon services are put at an hour, 4.45 o'clock, when people, who remain in Germantown during the day, may conveniently attend.

It is hoped that others, also, will arrange to attend at least one afternoon service a week.

THE CHOIR

The music for Lent will be chosen with the Lenten spirit in mind. The organ numbers will be largely taken from that greatest and most religious composer, J. S. Bach. The choir will sing anthems of a quiet mood and the words taken from the Lenten lessons of the Scripture.

The organ preludes will also reflect the spirit of Lent. The object of the organ prelude is to prepare for the mood of the Service to follow and the numbers are

selected with this in mind. The organist willingly will play any favorite selections, provided they are suitable for Church and will fit into the proper spirit of the Service for the day.

This year the choir will sing J. H. Maunders' Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary," on Palm Sunday evening. This is especially appropriate for the beginning of Holy Week. It begins with the Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem of our Lord, takes us through the events of Holy Week, concluding on Calvary.

On Easter Sunday morning the musical setting of the Holy Communion by Ch. Gounod, dedicated to St. Cecelia will be rendered.

Choir rehearsals are faithfully attended every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Any one who would like to participate in this branch of service will be welcomed. Just speak to the Rector or Choirmaster. We take pleasure in introducing our soprano soloist, Miss Jane M. Birkhead.

H. GORDON THOMAS, Choirmaster.

NOTICE TO PARENTS AND CHILDREN IN THE PARISH

It is the desire of the National Council of our Church that every young person in the Church may have an opportunity to share in the "United Lenten Offering" this year. If you are not a member of the Church School, you still have the privilege of a mite box. Or if you have any children who are too young to attend the Church School, you may act for them by having a mite box for them. Here is a chance for every child in the parish—even the youngest—to share in the Children's Lenten Offering for Missions. Mite boxes may be secured from the Rector or from Mr. Honaman.

E. M. H.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The annual Church School Christmas Carol Service was held on January 1. There was a splendid attendance, both of scholars and parents and friends of the scholars. In addition to the singing of some beautiful carols, an excellent address was given to the school by the Rev. Charles E. Spalding. He brought to us

the message of the spiritual meaning of Christmas in our lives.

On January 4 the Church School entertainment was held. The Young People's Fellowship presented a splendid play, and Santa Claus came to add Christmas cheer. The entertainment of the Primary Department was held on February 28. To Mr. Clausen belongs the credit for the success of the entertainment, since he coached the Young People's Fellowship play and arranged the evening's program.

Lent is approaching, and that brings to us again a splendid opportunity to share in the privilege of aiding the great missionary work of Christ Church. Again we shall have a chance for sacrifice and contribution. The Lenten mite boxes will be distributed on the Sunday before Lent. We sincerely hope that the parents of the children of the school will take an active interest in our Lenten offering. See that your children have their mite boxes! See that they use them properly! See that Lent and giving mean something real to them.

There will be several organized efforts on the part of the Church School to increase the Lenten Offering. Announcement as to these will be made from time to time.

Attention of the teachers and scholars of the School is especially called to the Half Hour Service for Young People, held in the Church Thursday afternoons, during Lent at 4.45. A short address will be given to young people. Parents are invited to bring their children and teachers of the School to attend with their scholars. Let there be a large attendance of young people every Thursday afternoon during Lent at 4.45.

E. M. H.

BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Bible Class has shown no decided progress, but the usual rate of attendance has been maintained. This is not discouraging, however, for the growth within church organizations among adults is as a rule a slow one.

The teacher appreciates the constant attendance of a certain number who can always be found in their places on Sun-

day mornings and he sincerely hopes that others can so release themselves from the god Morpheus or from whatever other god of their own making it may be, that they will seek for a seat on Sunday mornings at 9.45.

The men and teacher miss from their ranks their secretary, Mr. John Baynton. He was one who was ever ready to help, always faithful and loyal.

Mr. Thomas Meryweather, 43 Montana Street, has been appointed to the position of secretary.

The first of the Sunday evening Lenten services is to be under the auspices of the Church School teachers and Bible Class. The special preacher is to be announced later. It is hoped that the service will be well attended by all men.

A cordial welcome is extended to every man in Christ Church Parish to meet with us at 10.00 o'clock. Come and bring a friend.

The following resolution was passed by the Class on the death of our loyal and faithful member:

WHEREAS John Baynton, a member and secretary of this Class, has passed from our company to the more blessed fellowship of Paradise, and

WHEREAS, by his untiring efforts and kindly manner he was endeared to us all, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Men's Bible Class take this means of expressing our sorrow in our great loss and our happiness in having come in contact with such a Godly man.

R. W. E.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ON THURSDAYS

Special attention of parents and young people in the parish is called to the service every Thursday afternoon in Lent, which will be adapted to young people, with a special address by the Rector.

Teachers of the Church School, with the scholars, should endeavor to attend these services. Parents are invited to accompany their children. It is hoped that the boys and girls of the Parish will set aside Thursday afternoons in Lent to attend this service. Come and bring your young friends with you.

CONSULT WITH THE RECTOR ABOUT CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will visit this Parish (D. V.) on Maundy Thursday evening, April 5th, to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The Rector urges all persons who have not been confirmed to give their names to him at once. He will be pleased to talk to any one on the subject after any service or by special appointment. Let no one delay. If you have doubts, come frankly to your Rector and talk them over with him. One goes to his lawyer when in doubt in regard to the law, or to his physician for medical advice. If you are troubled in mind or conscience, go to your Rector and tell him your troubles. He will help you.

The Prayer Book in the Communion Office, so states it, "If any of you can not quiet his own conscience, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other Minister of God's Word and open his grief; that he may receive such godly counsel and advice as may tend to the quieting of his conscience and the removing of all scruple and doubtfulness."

The Rector is most anxious to help anyone who may be in doubt or trouble of any kind and will gladly do all within his power for any one who comes to him.

A WORD TO PARENTS

Will not parents and others, who are interested in the welfare of the young, call the attention of all children eligible for Confirmation to the Instructions given in the Parish House on Sunday afternoons at four o'clock?

Parents and adult friends of the young are cordially invited to come with them.

Let no parent or sponsor neglect his duty this Lent to the children whom God has given him to bring up in His fear and love.

At the Baptism of your children this solemn obligation was placed upon you.

"Ye are to take care that this child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and is sufficiently instructed

in the other parts of the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose." *Are you doing your duty?*

A REQUEST TO EVERY COMMUNICANT

The Rector repeats his request to all persons in this Parish who attend the service of the Holy Communion. The request is this: After receiving at the Holy Communion, return to your seats and *remain to the end of the service*, until after the benediction.

Unless ill or physically unable to remain, *PLEASE* do not leave the Church until the service is over! Can I put the request more kindly? If so, I want to do it, and shall be glad to be told how. But I must insist that this request be complied with by all. Everyone will realize the propriety and reasonableness of this request.

LITERATURE FOR LENTEN READING

In the interest of increasing a more general reading of religious and Church literature throughout the Parish, and thus to create a larger number of interested and well informed Churchmen, I have had placed in the vestibules of the Church a booklet, kindly furnished by the Moorehouse Publishing Co., of Milwaukee, giving a list of a few books especially suitable for Lenten reading.

On looking over this booklet, I believe that every one in the Parish will find at least two or three books that will contribute to a constructive Lent and be helpful in their religious life. I should suggest that a selection of books from this list be made at once, and an order be sent to the publishers as soon as possible, in order that the Lenten season may be "begun, continued and ended" in a profitable course of religious and Church readings.

The price of these booklets is very low, and is within the reach of any, who may really desire to read them.

To persons who wish to follow a more thorough or extended course of religious and Church reading than the literature included in the above list provides, I shall be pleased to suggest other books

which may be helpful to them or to loan them such books as I may have in my own private library.

I am quite sure that if members of the Parish will resolve to spend a part of each day during this Lent in following a systematic course of religious and Church readings, in addition to their faithful, daily reading of the Bible, this season will be full both of pleasure and spiritual profit and will bring a rich and a lasting blessing.

BOOKS IN THE VESTIBULE

The Rector has also placed in the Tulpehocken Street vestibule of the Church a bookcase, in which will be found a number of books on religious and Church subjects.

The object of placing these books in the vestibule is to afford to all, who wish to use them, an opportunity of access to some of the best authorities on religious and kindred subjects, in which everyone, especially Churchmen, should be well informed.

These books will be loaned, without charge, to anyone who desires to read them.

The books may be kept for two weeks, after which time, they must be returned, with the privilege, however, of renewal for one week, if so desired.

No person may receive more than one book at a time.

Among this collection of books may be found a wide range of subjects, relating to religion and the teachings of the Church. There are a number especially suitable for Lenten reading. A list of the books is posted in the vestibule.

All attendants at the service of Christ Church are welcome to make free use of these books; the only conditions are that they be used carefully and returned within the time specified.

They are placed in the vestibule of the Church that the Congregation may have more ready access to them.

The books will be in charge of Mr. Honaman and Mr. Eastman, who will be glad to loan them to anyone who may apply.

THE MOTHERS' MEETING

A jolly crowd, members of the Mothers' Meeting, assembled in the Parish House on Tuesday afternoon, January 10. The occasion was the Annual Christmas Dinner and Entertainment. A sumptuous turkey dinner, with a whole lot of "extras" was served by the ladies in charge. During the dinner the members were entertained by selections on the violin by Master Ralph McWilliams, accompanied on the piano by his grandmother, Mrs. Bolay. After the dinner the guests were entertained by a comedian from the city.

Before adjournment, Mrs. Reckerd, in behalf of the members of the Meeting, presented Mrs. J. I. Morrison and Mrs. U. G. Rowley with tokens of the appreciation and affection of the members.

The "Mothers' Meeting" is held in the Parish House every Tuesday afternoon from 2.30 to 4.15. All busy mothers—young and old—are invited to attend these meetings and share in the pleasure they give.

We are glad to welcome Mrs. J. Frederick Thomas, who has joined the committee of ladies in charge of the meetings.

Begin Lent aright! On Ash Wednesday there will be a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 A. M. Before going to your duties of the day—your business, your school, your household duties—"come apart for awhile with God," begin this Lenten season aright by dedication of yourself, your soul and body, to God and by receiving the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. Begin aright!

Persons who are willing to assist in the singing at the Lenten services are requested to give their names to the Rector. There are a number of persons in the Parish who might render this much as their Lenten offering. The Rector will gladly welcome them and will appreciate their services.

Make it a Lenten object to bring at least one child to Holy Baptism or some "backslider" back again to his church duties and privileges, or to lead some hesitating friend to Christ and to Confirmation.

Some people are habitually late to church service. The habit should be overcome. To enter the service late is disconcerting to others and seriously interrupts the service. It is a form of selfishness, on the part of those who practice it. One should be in church long before the service begins, to prepare one's mind and spirit to receive the precious things that there are given. No one who rushes to church or comes in late can be so prepared.

Make some specific, definite object your duty during this Lent. Let it not be a "negative Lent," but a *positive* Lent; something definitely undertaken and done; something unselfish, something constructive to the bringing in of the Kingdom of God and His Christ!

The Prayer Book is given by the church to be used by the worshippers. It should be opened and the eyes of each worshipper should be riveted upon it. During the singing of the canticles, instead of looking about the congregation or at the choir, follow the words in your prayer book. However familiar you may be with the service, follow, with your book before you, every sentence, every collect, Gospel, Epistle, as the minister reads it. It is called the "Book of Common Prayer," and so it is intended to be—*common* between minister and people; every service in it to be entered into by minister and people together; and this purpose cannot be carried out if the people do not follow the minister as he reads the service.

Keep your Prayer Book *open* and your eyes on the service as it is read by the minister!

And this leads to the further suggestion that everyone should own and carry with him his own Prayer Book and Hymnal. Every worshipper should bring with him to church and take home with him his own personal Prayer Book and Hymnal. Your Prayer Book will then come to be hallowed by its long and faithful usage and its sacred associations.

Bring your own Prayer Books and Hymnals to church with you and take them home with you when you go!

The Prayer Books and Hymnals at the doors of the church are primarily intended for strangers.

NOT WHAT BUT WHOM

"Not what, but WHOM, I do believe,
For Christ is more than all the creeds,
And His full life of gentle deeds
Shall all the creeds outlive.
Not what I do believe, but WHOM!
Who walks beside me in the gloom?
Who shares the burdens wearisome?
Who all the dim way doth illumine.
And bids me look beyond the tomb
The larger life to live?—
Not what I do believe, but WHOM!

"God always speaks to sincere men in Church. Every time they come into his sanctuary God reveals himself to them; it becomes to them the Garden of the Lord, and they go forth once more to the tasks of life with the radiant vision of God in their souls, and the fragrant perfume of His presence in their characters."

WHY WAIT?

"I wish he could have seen you before he died." That was what someone said to the Rector the other day. It is a strange idea in the minds of some, that the clergy should never be called until the sick person is very sick or perhaps almost at the point of death. It would be much more satisfactory for all concerned if the information could come whenever the person is sick enough to call a doctor. We wish to remind the people of the parish that the clergy are just as close to them as the telephone, and that they are always glad to come when called, but up to the present time no invention has been discovered which enables them to know when people are sick without being told or called.—*St. Stephen's Parish Notes.*

THE STORY OF A PATCH-WORK QUILT

Some years ago the members of the Mothers' Meeting made a patch-work quilt. It was large; it was warm; it was very pretty. But the question was just what was best to do with it. After much consultation, it was decided to send it as a Missionary offering to an Indian Catechist.

We were some time in securing the name of a Catechist, but finally through a missionary who was much interested in work among the Indians, we were given the name of Chief Yellow Calf of St. Michael's Mission, at Ethete, Wyoming. Accordingly the quilt was sent but there was no letter received to tell us whether our precious piece of work had reached its destination. On making inquiries, we found that the quilt had been received safely. Following are the letters received a short time ago from Chief Yellow Calf and from a worker at the Mission:

St. Michael's Mission,

Ethete, Wyo.

Dear Mrs. Arndt:

I got that quilt what you had sent, and after I got it I give a letter to the merchant here at Mission to send it to you. I was glad and say thank-you in that letter. I think he didn't send it to you, and now as I heard from you asked me that quilt I am sorry I didn't let you know I was so glad, and I said thank-you for send me that quilt. I still lived around here at Mission. Last year I was in the boys' building, but I am stayed here by Indians its alright for me to go to other places at Arapaho camps, and now I am going to sent the necklace, for a good time that Thanksgiving Day is coming. We all glad that Thanksgiving and Xmas is coming near. I am very glad that you don't forget me, and now answer this letter. This is all, will say good-bye.

From Yellow Calf.

Reply soon.

St. Michael's Mission,

Wind River Reservation,

Ethete, Wyoming.

Mrs. Helen Falkner Arndt,
Christ Church Rectory,
Germantown, Phila.

My dear Mrs. Arndt:

Mrs. Cooper has forwarded your inquiry about the comforter which was sent to Chief Yellow Calf last spring to us here at the Mission. I have seen the Chief and questioned him about the comforter, and he seemed quite distressed that you had never had any response about it. He seemed very appreciative of the gift, and told me in the sign language how he had used it. He also told me that someone here had promised to write for him, but thinks probably the letter was never sent. I gave him your address, and he promised to have his daughter, who has been in our school here, write and express his thanks. He is a very eloquent old man and if you could hear and understand him, or rather I should say, see and understand his sign language, you would have no doubt but that he has enjoyed many a refreshing sleep under the comforter. Also, that he is very thankful for the gift.

I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

O. H.

These letters show how great was the appreciation of this Indian Chief, who, to the best of his ability, is leading his brothers toward the Light.

Chief Yellow Calf's letter was accompanied by an unique bead necklace made by the Indians and sent to the members of the Meeting who had attended to the correspondence, but as there were so many women who helped to make the quilt, it is a little difficult to decide as to whom the necklace really belongs.

H. F. A.

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Rector

The Rev. Charles Henry Arndt, D. D.
Earl M. Honaman, B. A., Lay Assistant

The Rector's Office Hours:

8.00 to 9.00 A. M. Daily
6.00 to 7.00 P. M. Daily
At Home Saturday Evenings

All communications should be addressed to
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THE CHIMES will be issued on the Third
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Vestry

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Walter H. Andrus, M. D. (1927)

The stated meetings of the Vestry are on the
first Tuesday after Easter and on the first
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Lane

Chimemaster, John F. Arndt.
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Stated Meetings of Parochial Societies

Altar Guild—Second Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Choir Guild—First Friday, 4 P. M.
Choir Meeting—Friday, 8 P. M.
Teachers' Meeting—First Monday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Senior)—Third
Thursday, 8 P. M.
The Daughters of the King (Junior)—2nd
and 4th Mondays, 8 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Tuesday, 8 P. M.
Mothers' Meeting—Tuesday, 2.00 P. M.
Men's Class Social—Third Thursday, 8 P. M.
Women's Missionary Society (Woman's Aux-
iliary)—Every Monday, 2 P. M.
Girls' Friendly Society—Thursday, 8 P. M.
Senior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—
Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew—First and
third Wednesday, 7.30 P. M.

Junior Auxiliary, Missionary Society—Friday,
4 P. M.
Boys' Scouts—Monday, 7.30 P. M.
Vestment Guild—First Friday.
St. Christopher's Guild—First Thursday, 7.45
P. M.

Church Services

SUNDAYS

Morning Service and Sermon, 11.00 A. M.
Evening Service and Sermon, 7.45 P. M.

HOLY COMMUNION

Every Sunday, 7.30 A. M.
First Sunday in month, 11.00 A. M.
Holy Days, 9.30 A. M.

FRIDAYS

Evening Prayer with special Intercessions,
5.00 P. M.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday in month or by appointment.
Church School and Bible Classes, 9.45 A. M.
Woman's Afternoon Bible Class, 3.00 P. M.

Notice

Persons who desire to connect themselves
with the Parish are requested to hand their
names and addresses to the Rector. He will
be pleased to call on them and to welcome them
to the Parish.

Parishioners should notify the Rector when
they change their address.

Note the following Canon of the Church:
"A Communicant moving from one Parish to
another shall procure from the Rector (if
any) of the Parish of his late residence, or, if
there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens,
a certificate stating that he or she is a Com-
municant in good standing." Title II: Canon
12.

The pews and sittings in the Church are free
and unassigned. The support of the work de-
pends upon the voluntary offering of the mem-
bers of the Congregation. All are cordially
welcomed and are invited to contribute regu-
larly by pledging themselves to pay weekly
through the Envelope System such sums as
they may be able to afford.

Pledge cards may be had from the Rector
or the ushers. The pledge, being voluntary,
may be increased, decreased or cancelled at
any time by notifying the Rector.

The following is the form of bequest to be
used in willing money to the Church:

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Fund of said Church.

Note—The Act of April 26, 1855, requires
that a will containing a bequest to religious
or charitable purposes must be executed at
least one month before decease, and be at-
tested by two disinterested witnesses. Otherwise
the bequest is void.



"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

The "Forty Days" are now drawing to a close. The Lenten shadows deepen and we now enter Holy Week—into the mystery of the Passion of our Blessed Lord.

There rises before our eyes the Cross; and on the Cross—behold, crowned with thorns, the Immaculate Son of God, "who taketh away the sins of the world!"

"Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by?"

SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

Holy Communion with blessing
of the palms 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion and Ser-
mon 11.00 A. M.
Cantata—Mauder's "Olivet to
Calvary" 7.45 P. M.

Monday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation..... 4.45 P. M.

Tuesday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation..... 4.45 P. M.

Wednesday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Service and Meditation..... 4.45 P. M.
Litany, Address 8.00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.
Service and Address 4.45 P. M.
Confirmation and Address
by the Rt. Rev. Julius
Walter Atwood, D. D.,
former Bishop of Ari-
zona 8.00 P. M.

Good Friday

Pro-Anaphora, Penitential Of-
fice, Address 10.30 A. M.
Three Hour Meditation on the
"Seven Words from the Cross"
(Led by The Rev. Alfred M. Smith,
of St. Clement's Church, Philadel-
phia 12 M. to 3 P. M.

Saturday

Evening Prayer, Infant Bap-
tism 4.45 P. M.

EASTER DAY

Holy Communion 6.30 A. M.
..... 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon 11.00 A. M.
Church School Easter Carol
Service, Address by Leon
C. Palmer, B. D. 7.30 P. M.

HOLY WEEK

Let each one of us during this Holy Week, which now draws near, let each one of us leave behind all distracting thoughts, all thoughts of the world, with its petty, trifling schemes and vanities, and let us contemplate in wonder, awe and love, the closing

scene of our Lord's earthly life. Let us follow Him day by day from His triumphal entrance on Palm Sunday into the city He so dearly loved, until, weary and exhausted, He slowly goes His way along the "Via Dolorosa," passing through the gates of the city, which rejected Him, up to the Mount of Calvary, to the Cross.

At the daily Celebrations of the Holy Communion during Holy Week, the Church appoints in her Prayer Book, that each of the four Evangelists shall be heard in his narrative of the Passion and provides an appropriate Epistle and Gospel for each day.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated, accordingly, in Christ Church, every week day morning in Holy Week, until Maundy Thursday, inclusive. The service will be at half-past nine o'clock.

In the afternoons of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 4.45 there will be service and short "Meditation" on the Sacred events of each day.

On Maundy Thursday evening the Rt. Rev. Julius Walter Atwood, D. D., former Bishop of Arizona, will visit this Parish and administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. The service will be at 7.45 o'clock.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Daily Meditations in Holy Week will culminate on Good Friday with the Three Hour Meditation on the Seven Words from the Cross. The Meditation will be conducted by the Rev. Alfred M. Smith, of St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia. The service will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

This three-hour vigil will be preceded by a service at half-past ten o'clock, consisting of the Penitential Office, Pro-Anaphora and Address.

Where else would one, who realizes the meaning of this great and awful day that commemorates the Redeemer's suffering for the sins of the world—where else would one want to spend these sacred hours save in the House of God, and how else, save in Medita-

tion, in Intercession and in Prayer?

Devout minds have found in these precious hours beside the Cross a deeper and a fuller realization of the wonderful love of God to us and the awful sinfulness of our nature. Let every seriously minded person in the Parish keep the day in solemn fasting, in humiliation and in prayer!

"Before the Cross, whose cruel wood
Uphears the dying Son of God,
Today my only thought shall be:
He died thereon for love of me!"

SERVICES ON EASTER DAY

The Services on Easter day will be as follows:

Holy Communion.....6.30, 7.30 A. M.
Holy Communion, Sermon.11.00 A. M.
Church School's Easter

Carol Service 7.30 P. M.
Address by

Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week
Holy Communion 9.30 A. M.

The Rector will be assisted in the Services on Easter Day by the Rev. William W. Steel.

EASTER COMMUNION

As these solemn days of Lent draw to a close, every soul that has followed our Lord during these past forty days, in His fastings, in His temptations, in His suffering and at the Cross, will be prepared and will yearn to be with Him on the Day of His Resurrection in the joy of Easter Communion.

Easter is the "Queen of the Festivals" and throughout the Christian ages has been the "Day of Days," when the faithful have solemnized the Resurrection of our Lord by coming to the Holy Communion.

Our "Holy Communion" then becomes our "Holy Eucharist," that is as the term implies, our "holy thanksgiving."

If, then, we have spent this Lent in a faithful following of our Lord, we may truly share at the Holy Eucharist on Easter morning, the joy of His Resurrection. On this Resurrection morn, we may "lift up our hearts" and be in the very presence of our Risen Lord and with all God's saints in "one Communion and fellowship in the

mystical body of His Son, Christ our Lord" and with the "angels and arch-angels and with all the company of Heaven," join in the beatific praise, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts."

This is the Communion of the saints. This is the beatific vision St. John saw "when in the spirit of the Lord's Day, Heaven was opened"; and this is the beatific vision vouchsafed to all God's saints who draw near unto Him in spirit and in truth on this Great Day of the Lord—the Day of His Resurrection from the Dead.

EASTER GREETINGS

The Rector wishes a happy Easter, full of grace, and peace and joy to every Christian heart! Out of the darkness of Good Friday the Easter light shines clear. May it, indeed, so shine into every soul in this Parish, brightening every life with hope and joy.

The shadows are interpreted by the light. Looking back, from the brightness of Easter morn into the darkness of the preceding days, we see the darkness was the precursor of the dawn.

What a difference it would make in every life, were we to see more clearly through the light of the Easter Day the meaning of the dark days of our life,—our failures, our temptations, our trials, the tragedies of our life!

God grant that on this Easter Day the members of our Parish may have some measure of that transforming vision! Let us thank God for the Easter revelation of the Risen Lord, whereby we know that all darkness, whether of pain, or disappointment, or sorrow, or death itself, is, to those who trust and live in the spirit of Christ, the herald of new life and hope and joy.

We may rejoice, then, even when we look into the grave: for we know that "He is not here, He is risen!"

Let us weave this blessed Easter truth into our lives! Let it give courage and hope to discouraged ones, comfort to the mourners—joy to every soul; for Christ has brought life and immortality to light! "I am the Res-

urrection and the Life," said the Lord; "he that believeth in Me, though he be dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

PROGRAM OF MUSIC

Palm Sunday Morning
Organ Prelude: Piece Heroique, Cesar-Franck.
Offertory: Fling Wide the Gates, Stainer.
Organ Postlude: Toccata and Fugue in D Minor, J. S. Bach.

Palm Sunday Evening
Cantata: Olivet to Calvary, J. H. Maunder.
Soloists—Soprano, Jane M. Birkhead; Contralto, Jessie M. Crichton; Tenor, Alfred H. Gonzalos; Baritone, Charles Hassard; Organist-Director, H. Gordon Thomas.

Easter Sunday Morning
Organ Prelude: Third Chorale, Cesar-Franck.
Offertory: Soprano Solo—"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," Handel.
Communion Service: St. Cecilia, Gounod.
Organ Postlude: Fantasia in G Minor, J. S. Bach.

Easter Sunday Evening
Church School Easter Carol Service.

CHOIR NOTES

The Choir is working faithfully on the Easter music. This last month we lost the services of Mr. Ross, our Tenor Soloist who has ably filled the position for several years. He goes to a church in Roxborough where we wish him the best of success. We have been fortunate in securing Mr. Alfred H. Gonzalos to take his place. Mr. Gonzalos has had much experience in Episcopal Choirs and is himself an Episcopalian.

The music for Easter Day will be Gounod's St. Cecilia Communion Service, which contains the famous Sanctus. But please note that, with the exception of the Creed, the entire Service is used, including the Benedictus, Agnus Dei and the Gloria in Excelsis. This is the only Service of the year at which this beautiful Service is sung. The climax of the entire Easter Service is the Gloria in Excelsis which of course comes at the end. To make this a part of your own praise to God you must remain through the entire Service.

Just a few notes on the music:

St. Cecilia was a Roman lady of noble birth who suffered martyrdom in Rome about 229. She has long been looked upon as the tutelary saint of music. In Paris it was the custom to have a solemn mass on St. Cecilia's Day in the Church of St. Eustache for the benefit of the "Society of Artist Musicians." A new mass was always written for the occasion by some eminent musician. Gounod wrote his for the year 1855, which is the only one that has lived through the years.

On the Easter and Palm Sunday musical programs are two famous organ numbers by the greatest German Church composer, J. S. Bach. These have been selected because they suggest the most joyous praise to God. The Soprano solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," from Handel's "Messiah" expresses the main thought of the Easter. The two numbers by Cesar-Franck and the mass by Gounod represent the best of the French School. The two Franck numbers are joyous but there is an undercurrent of sadness to remind us of the terrible price the Master paid. Cesar-Franck was organist of St. Clotilde for thirty-two years. Stainer represents the English School. We here have the best Church composers of Germany, France and England all combining in an American Service to celebrate and render praise to One Lord and Master.

H. G. T.

A LETTER FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.,
March 21, 1928.

To the Members of
Christ Church,
Germantown

As has been the custom in past years, the season of Easter brings to us on that day an opportunity to present our offering toward the support of the Church of which we are members, of an amount sufficient to maintain and continue the work of the Parish during the current year.

The Finance Committee of the Vestry has had submitted to it by the Accounting Warden the condition of the finances of the Church as of March 1, 1928, and from such condition it appears that in order to meet the anticipated necessary expenses for the current year, there should be an offering at Easter of not less than \$1200.

Therefore, the Finance Committee would respectfully commend the matter to the careful consideration and conscientious and generous action of each member, to the end that the amount required—\$1200—may be realized and that your work, as represented by your Church, may go forward throughout the year.

May we ask that each one keep this matter in mind, so that the Easter offering this year may represent the interest and effort, not only of a few, but of all the members of the Church.

FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Wm. N. Johnson, Chairman
T. H. Atherton
U. G. Rowley
Edward Bains, Accounting Warden.

ELECTION OF VESTRYMEN

An election of Vestrymen of this Parish is to be held in the Parish House on Easter Monday, April 9th, between the hours of 5 and 6 P. M. Four Vestrymen are to be elected this year. The Vestrymen whose terms expire are Messrs. Lennig, Woodroffe, Morris and Atherton.

OUR EASTER OFFERING

Our offering on Easter Day should be a true expression of our love and loyalty to Jesus Christ. As He suffered and sacrificed and died for us,

and rose again, that we through Him might have life eternal, so should we present on Easter Day such an offering as will mean something in His sight—will mean a real love and devotion, a genuine spirit of self-sacrifice for Him Whom we call our Lord and Saviour.

There should be no small coin on the plate on Easter Day, unless the giver is very poor. In that case the offering may be more worthy and more acceptable to God than the larger offering of the rich.

But my observation and experience during a long ministry has convinced me that the small coin in the offering

is not given, as a rule, by the poorer members of the Parish. It is given by the careless, by the flippant, by the worldling, who have money to spend on themselves and for their own selfish ends, but economize in their gifts to God. And such giving, I repeat, is in no sense, worthy to be called a religious "offering," because it is devoid of the very essence of Christian giving—it is wanting in the spirit of sacrifice; it does not represent the spirit of love and devotion and consecration to Christ.

The Church regards the giving of money at the services, in no sense, as a "collection." The term "collection," in reference to giving of money at the service of worship should never be used. It is an offering, an offering to God, and, as such, is an essential part of worship; and the Rubric in the Prayer Book emphasizes this and directs that "the devotions of the people shall be reverently brought to the priest, who shall humbly present it (to God) and place it upon the Holy Table."

Christian giving is an act of joy, because it is prompted by the spirit of love. And how much love is there in the person, how much Christian joy can come to anyone—who puts on the plate on Easter morning an insignificant amount, "that which costs him nothing."

"Freely have ye received, freely give."

CONFIRMATION

The Rt. Rev. Julius Walter Atwood, D. D., former Bishop of Arizona, will visit this Parish on Maundy Thursday evening (April 5th) to administer the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation. It is not yet "too late" for persons who are moved by the Holy Spirit of God to confess Jesus Christ, to be confirmed. Some day it may be "too late." The Rector will be glad to talk with anyone on this subject, after any service, or by appointment.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the chancel on Easter

Day will all be memorials of the blessed dead. Persons in the congregation who wish to have flowers in the chancel on Easter Day in memory of friends who rest in Paradise are cordially invited to send blooming plants or cut flowers to the Parish House on Saturday preceding Easter, not later than noon.

Names of senders of flowers, together with the names of those in whose memory the flowers are sent, are requested to accompany the gifts.

Persons who wish to forward money contributions for flowers may send the same either to the Rector or to Miss Chase, President of the Altar Guild, 152 East Washington Lane. Flowers will be purchased by the Altar Guild and the memorials placed on the altar. Contributions of money are requested to be sent as soon as possible that an early selection of flowers may be made.

The plants and flowers are sent to the sick after Easter.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Christ Church School is busily engaged in its Lenten work. The whole school is striving to make this year's Lenten offering a genuine example of devotion and sacrifice. Each scholar has a mite box and all are using them to the best advantage.

On March 17 a united effort was made to increase our Lenten offering; a moving picture show was held in the Parish House. The pictures were a travel picture of the Hawaiian Islands and an appropriate comedy. About fifty dollars was realized from this effort. The school extends its thanks to those of the Parish who helped to make the entertainment successful.

On the first Sunday in Lent a Corporate Communion of the Church School was held at the early celebration of the Holy Communion. About fifty teachers and scholars were present. Following the Service a breakfast was held in the Parish House, prepared by Miss Clifton and Miss Naegle, two of the Church School teachers.

The Sunday evening service on the first Sunday in Lent was under the auspices of the Church School. The preacher was the Rev. Mr. Gernand, of Branchtown, Philadelphia.

The school is preparing for the regular Easter Carol Service which will be held on Easter Sunday Evening at 7.15, in the Church. The address will be given by Leon C. Palmer, B. D., General Secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the United States. Thirteen scholars will be graduated from the Primary to the Senior department, and about fifty will receive awards for perfect attendance.

The Superintendent is gratified to have six young people of the Parish take mite boxes, in addition to the children of the Church School.

We hope that many friends and relatives of the scholars will attend the Carol Service on Easter evening.

E. M. H.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The G. F. S. of Christ Church, has had one of the most inspiring Lenten Seasons in its history.

Miss Bertha Brown, of South Phila., has carried us through five Tuesday nights with the "Church at Work" as our text book.

We have come to know our beautiful Prayer Book more personally: what it should mean to our private lives, as well as to our Church lives. We have reviewed and refreshed our minds and hearts with the meaning and spiritual awakening of our souls to the Sacraments—through our baptism to our privilege in the Holy Communion.

To struggle against being "Gospel Hardened," in other words to be familiar only in a mechanical way, but come into Church with our minds cleared as far as possible from all worldly things and partake of the spiritual feast there provided for us.

We cannot thank Miss Brown enough for all she has brought us and we deeply appreciate the effort she has made to come from one end of the city to the other these Tuesday

nights to give us her message.

L. J. J.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

"Everything a Christian person does for Christ which makes the world more nearly His, has its missionary aspect. Every Christian is a Missionary." What is the Woman's Auxiliary? "An Auxiliary to the National Council in all its departments," hence "it is an organization to be helpful to the whole work of the whole Church."

The above excerpts are taken from a recent article in the Spirit of Missions, and I am forwarding them to the readers of "The Chimes," so that they may help many in our Parish to realize the relation of our work to the great task of the whole Church. We always need the intelligent interest of every member of Christ Church in our endeavors, so that we may be co-workers together for still bigger things.

Thanks due to our Supply Secretary and the group of sewers, our allotment of sewing is nearly completed. At the monthly business meetings we have an average attendance of twenty (20) members, and at the monthly luncheons, usually between 20 and 30 are present; we are anxious to have more women in the Parish with us on these enjoyable occasions.

On April 19th and 20th we are planning to hold a "Rummage Sale" in the Parish House and we most earnestly solicit your help by contributions of articles of any description. We can not have a Sale without the Rummage! Please notify Mrs. Frank Wells, 244 West Hottter St., Phone Ger. 8884, by April 16th if Rummage is to be called for, as we shall have to engage a truck for collection in advance. We shall need many helpers for the sale on the above named dates and also on April 18th to arrange and mark the goods. Surely no enterprise is too tremendous or too humble for helpful women to work and pray for, provided it is for the Extension of Christ's Kingdom.

L. M. R.

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